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The fifth edition of the Watoto Wasoka newsletter is here.

Thank you for all the positive feedback from the previous editions.

We bring you the warmest greetings from all the kids and girls here!

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With all the joys and smiles from the Slums Derby slowly settling down, we turn our focus to our internal teams of Sparta 09 and preparations for the Christmas Camp.

As you may be aware, Sparta 09 F.C is the biggest project under the patronage of Watoto Wasoka Foundation. We are proud to let you know that the Sparta 09 senior team will start out yet another progres-

sive season in the 2016/17 Kampala Central District Football Association (KCDFA) fourth division league, starting September 2016. Last season, the team finished fifth in the league and narrowly missed out on qualification to the Regional League; and we are more than determined to secure qualification to that elite level this season.

K.S. Sparta 09, under the patronage of Watoto Wasoka, is a fully fledged football club, with a senior team, girls' team and an array of age group teams ranging from U-10 to U -17s.

We have a budget estimate of **EUR 1,500** to support the team during the season, including facilitations and league dues. We thus call upon you to support us through donations of materials like football gear, and especially financial donations. With your support – financial or material, over 20 slum soccer youths from Kampala will access

formal opportunities to play and enlighten chances of accessing secondary and tertiary education scholarships through taking part in a nationally recognized football league.

Since 2013, we have had dozens of youths graduating through our Sparta 09 teams including Keziron Kizito, a Ugandan national team player who captained our Sparta 09 team between 2013 and 2014, Ssali Lumala Abdu and Frank 'Zaga' Tumwesigye, a member of the U-20 national team. In fact most of the Sparta graduates are now full time volunteers with Watoto Wasoka.

So you know the opportunities your support may bring to the slum soccer youths. We are happy to discuss individual or corporate sponsorship packages for the team, and we will tell everybody we know :-). Email at frankmugoya@gmail.com to support the Sparta 09 team.



Primary schools league in high gear !



Our first edition of the Primary Schools League continues to register great successes.

We are delighted to let you know that we have finished the preliminary stages of the league and are headed for the knock out stages. Even the schools that didn't make it to the knock-outs can take pride in the hours and days of football and fun they had throughout the league and are already looking forward to the next

season. We can look back with pride at the numerous opportunities of education these schools offered through the dozens of scholarships to the kids.

Meanwhile, in the coming couple of weeks, we will be playing out the semi-finals of the league. Join me to congratulate the schools that made the cut for the semis; God Wins Primary School (Mulago), ABCD Divine Foundation School (Mutundwe), Katale Progressive Primary School (Bunamwaya) and St. Matia Mulumba Primary School (Mutundwe).

The semi-finals will be played on home and away basis and two best teams will proceed to play in the final on a neutral ground in Kampala in August.

We just can't wait !



Football is the heartbeat of Africa...

Girls' Football



gone on to feature in the second season of the FUFA Women Elite League. As much as we didn't have the financial muscle to register for the league ourselves, we were delighted when a host of teams took the girls and offered them various scholarships at tertiary institutions and universities to reinforce their teams.

We continue to plan big for the girls, as much as we do for the boys.

When we set out to incorporate girls' football into our mainstream projects, we knew we it was going to be an uphill task, but we were passionate enough to carry on the mantle. Since December 2014, we have accepted girls into playing spaces prior thought to be a masculine sphere. Not even the challenges that have come along have disappointed us. We continue our resolve to create meaningful play for the girl child, as much as we do for their male colleagues in safe environs.

Today we are proud of a dozen girls under our Sparta 09 Ladies team and others that have



Volunteer / intern needed

We seek to recruit a volunteer(s) with particular expertise in Information technology (IT / ICT), especially website design/development. In this regard, we seek to restructure our website (www.watotowasoka.ug), to streamline some features on the site and make it more user-friendly.

If you believe you have the particular acumen needed please get in touch through email at info@watotowasoka.ug . Still if you know of a website design guru, we will be happy to get in touch.

Get Involved...

Volunteer / intern with us....

You are currently in Kampala, Uganda or planning on going there and want to do some voluntary work? You are a hobby or professional football player or coach who like to kick the ball with our kids? We seek enthusiastic people passionate about children's rights, football and girls, with willingness to interact with others, and increase their hands-on experience of football, children and girls. Put your ICT and tech skills to test by running our website.

The list of opportunities is long; we would love to hear from you soon.

- Attend the Grand Slums Derby and/or the Christmas Camp
- Getting to make a real difference applying your personal skill set to better the world, you help improving daily training work
- And so much more...

We need your support....

Your monetary contribution! Every Shilling counts for us!
Sponsoring of tournament or WATOTO WASOKA in general, single or frequent contribution
Support through material and commodities
Any other activity that would help us to get an inch closer to our organization's goals!

And we offer....

Accountability & Transparency: You will know where your contribution was spent / used for
Visibility (if desired): We will mention your support on our website and tell everybody we know :)



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Football Made In Slums!

Watoto Wasoka was founded in 2009.

Watoto Wasoka – football made in slums, is a local NGO based in the heart of Kampala's biggest slums. We are a non-profit, community – led youth development organization which uses soccer as a vehicle for positive change in the life of slum children in Uganda. The organization aims to promote street and slum kids through their love for football, and tries to provide them with an alternative to street life for a better future perspective. We offer shelter, education and school support.

Upon realization of our first model centre, we intend to include health services & job training for those, who do not obtain scholarships.