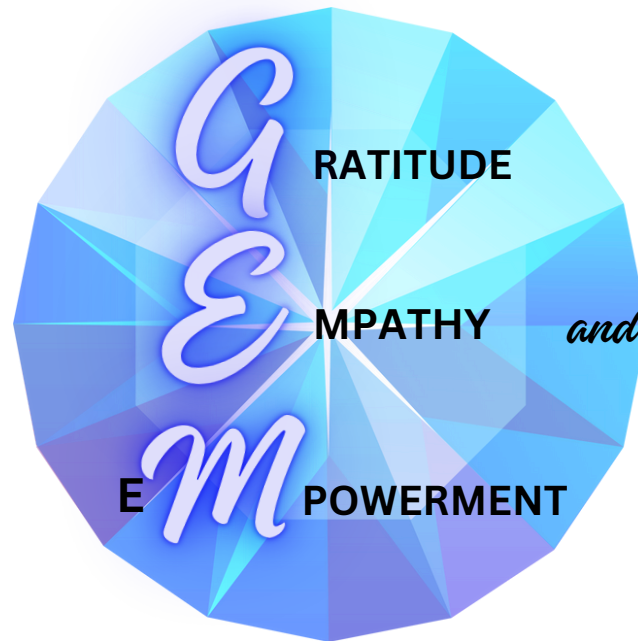


It's Planning Time for 2025



Please consider including SchoolKits for Congo in next year's calendar.

What will Students at our School get out of a SchoolKits for Congo Fund-Raising Event?



Excellent Values Education in:

- Students can't fully appreciate the blessings of their educational opportunities, health care, secure homes and varied and adequate diet, if they never encounter anyone without those things.
- Empathy and gratitude are habits that get stronger with use. We will provide stories, faces and data to help students feel the hardship and injustice facing the poorest 8%.
- SchoolKits for Congo will empower your students to be a life-changing blessing to another child. Being part of the solution creates self-esteem and resilience.
- We have qualified and experienced teachers on our team who can provide resources for your students, well matched to their needs, and to the Australian curriculum, if desired.
- We offer a list of suggestions for ways to support SchoolKits for Congo, but are open to other ideas and willing to assist with tailored resources if desired.

What will Recipient Students get out of a SchoolKits for Congo Fund-Raising Event?



Learning tools

Exercise books
Pens
Pencils
Sharpener
Eraser
Ruler

A brand new uniform

(Which allows washing during the week and controls the spread of nasties like scabies).

A strong backpack

To provide a tiny bit of personal space to keep supplies organised.

An Illustrated Storybook (Optional)

We have a range of culturally appropriate story books in Swahili and French, awaiting finishing touches by your students.



Which means.....

- Being a student, with all the dignity and hope that that entails.
- Better hygiene and health.
- Making new friends in their new community
- A caring connection with the wider world.
- Learning the official language of their country. Their parents were denied this.

The recipient children have escaped M23 violence in the countryside of North Kivu, with just what they could carry.

They need help to make a new start in an environment without Social Security, Medicare, Parenting Payment or Subsidised Housing

The classroom will be very crowded, and the education only chalk and talk, but these children want to be included.



What is a SchoolKits For Congo Event? Anything you like, including:

Term 1 March 20th



On the **International Day of Happiness and French**, share French food and culture beyond the French classroom, to sponsor SchoolKits for child-victims of war who have never held a book. Their “thanks” photos are guaranteed to make you smile.

Term 1 April 2nd



Children’s Book Day is ideal for a **Bring and Buy Booksale** to encourage reading in your school, while giving less fortunate children an opportunity to learn to read and write.

Term 2 May 4th



Rotary Day at UNESCO

What do you, Rotary and UNESCO have in common? You all value children’s education as a very high priority. We can help partner you with your local Rotary club to serve children both here and in Congo.

Term 2 June 6th



Our **World Refugee Day Walk-a-Thon Pack** adds meaning to mileage. Get some exercise and some global perspective, while having fun, applying some maths concepts and providing practical help!

Term 3 August 19th



Celebrating World Humanitarian and Photography Day with us encourages creativity and delivers great results. Everyone will be proud of their entries, and the photo of the children you helped.

Term 3 September 5th / 8th



World Charity and Literacy Days are a

great time to have a simple Gold Coin Donation Day. Dressing up for Book Week can help dress children fleeing war in fresh school uniforms and backpacks of equipment.

Term 4 October 16th and 17th



Celebrate **World Food Day** and **International Day of Poverty Eradication** with a **Bake Sale** or **Multicultural Feast** and use the proceeds to equip child-victims of war to restart their education.

Term 4 December 10th



Human Rights Day

Reports are done, and we are half on holidays. Why not do some fun stuff for a good cause?

Anytime!



Our Gapminder Quiz Kit makes it easy to organize a great community-building event at any time of year. Upgrade your world view in good company, and serve some of the world’s poorest children too.

Contact Details and FAQs

Except for unavoidable bank transfer fees, all donations are spent in Goma, DRC. Bags and uniforms are sewn on site by a local cooperative called Mama Wimbi, equipped by SewAid International. Their earnings allow them to feed, house and educate their own children.



The secure portal for donations is at:
[https://directory.rawcs.com.au/ProjectDisplay.aspx?
ID=2689&Links=1](https://directory.rawcs.com.au/ProjectDisplay.aspx?ID=2689&Links=1)



Our website is <https://www.bonvolo.net/schoolkit> and we have **Social Media profiles on Instagram and Facebook.**

The project manager is Penny Vos, and she is very happy to be contacted with any questions or requests to facilitate school involvement



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If you would like for your students to be more involved in academic activities, we can approach a local Rotary club or district, on your behalf to assist with the financial support that accompanies the effort your children make in terms of research, public speaking or creation of Tiny Books.

This intergenerational giving has social advantages of its own.

You will have received this invitation and request from a SchoolKits for Congo Volunteer Advocate who is a student at your school, interested in making the world a fairer place.

We hope that you will choose a date, and perhaps a type of activity that suits your school and let your student advocate know, so that they can be recognised for their contribution and plan further support for the project if needed.

Best wishes and thank you for considering SchoolKits for Congo.

