



First of all, Merry Christmas to all our volunteers, supporters and friends. We hope that the Christmas holidays will be full of happiness for everyone!

**CHILDREN RESETTLED FROM THE OMWAANA TUGENDE CHILDREN'S HOME**

This December another 6 children were resettled back into their families with Adelante Africa promising to pay their school fees. This brings the total number of children resettled this year to 15. A further two children are in the process of being fostered by local families.

Resettled children leaving Omwaana Tugende.





It's hard for the children of Omwaana Tugende when their friends leave but this Christmas EVERY child left the Home to stay with family members or local families who take them in for the weekends and holidays.

In December the workers of Omwaana Tugende received their official certificates for the training course led by Ngondwe Ponciano, the District Probation Officer, (in orange in the photo) for people working in a children's home. We now have well-trained and happy staff.



and there were additions to the Home too, notably six well loved little piglets.



### **ADELANTE AFRICA SECONDARY SCHOOL**

Members of Adelante Africa Spain visited the site along with their Ugandan counterparts to plan where the buildings should go. An engineer is presently drawing up the site plan. Everyone in the villages is very excited about the prospect. Building should begin when the rains stop in January.



site of the Adelante Africa Secondary School

### **IGAYAZA WOMEN'S SEWING GROUP**



The Igayaza Women's Sewing Group goes from strength to strength with many women (and a few men!) from the surrounding villages coming in twice a week for lessons from their teacher, Rosemary (in the middle in the photo above). While Adelante Africa Spain members are in town the group are all very busy making the bags and aprons and cushion covers which are brought back to Europe to be sold. Here is some material bought for this Christmas!



### **FAL (Functional Adult Literacy)**

There are now four FAL groups with a total of over 280 members. The teachers move from group to group, each concentrating on an area e.g. health and sanitation, agriculture and marketing and aspects of human rights as well as on teaching the groups to read and write in their own language. The original Igayaza FAL group is now going to be learning English. Adelante Africa is lending the FAL teachers money to buy bicycles to make their work easier.



members of Kibuuku FAL in purple T-shirts and Rwebegaga FAL in green.



### **THE FARMER'S COOPERATIVE**

There are 66 members of the FAL enrolled in the two Adelante Africa co-operative farmers groups. They are taking part in a project run by World Vision to be part owners, along with other co-operative groups in Kakindo, of a tractor! They are going to group together to hire land and use the tractor to cultivate it. They are also going to hire out the tractor. The aim is to pay off the total cost of the loan for the tractor and then it will be theirs to use and hire out! This could mean a huge economic push for the entire area!



The World Vision tractors

members of the co-operative farmers groups with the certificates showing they are officially recognised groups.



### **THE SUNFLOWER OIL PRESS**

And at last the day has come! Thank you very much to Godfrey Werikhe, Raymond Kimera and all at REA (the Ugandan Rural Electrification Agency) for showing their support for local farmers and providing the sunflower oil press with the three phase transformer it needs to operate. Farmers from all over the area are growing sunflower this season and we truly hope that with the help of REA we will be able

to provide an alternative cash crop to bring sorely needed income to this very poor rural area.



The transformer and sacks of sunflower seed waiting to be pressed.

Lastly, those who have followed the story of Damiano and his head injury will be glad to know that he is well on the way to recovery and now wears an Adelante Africa helmet wherever he goes (on a motorbike anyway!). Here he is with Thomas, volunteer in charge of the water tank project and Augustine, volunteer specialised in farming wishing you, along with all members of Adelante Africa Spain and Uganda the very very best for 2016!!



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