

# Transforming Uganda's Future

Your sponsorship helps young Ugandans reach their potential.

**CHRYSLIS  
UGANDA**



*Our motto is: "I believe I can fly"*



# Foreword

A chance meeting with a 12 year old boy in Nigeria in 2007 inspired me to create the Butterfly Project. Not knowing how to write, he still had a vision for the future for creating change in his village. The idea of developing change-makers from disadvantaged rural teenagers was born and we are now training our 7th cohort of young people.

In 2009, we linked up with organisations in Uganda who were working with deprived children. Our first cohort of Butterflies came from Kampala and Lyantonde, a district in rural Western Uganda.

We quickly realised that some of those children were highly motivated to make change happen and all they needed was support and specialist training to develop their life experience.

It has been a constant source of inspiration to me to see the brilliance of these young people, and to see how our very first cohort are now truly successful change-makers in each of their chosen careers.

Last year, we launched the Chrysalis School which provides education and specialist training for senior school children, some of whom are also training on the Butterfly Project and others learning to be international citizens.

Equipping children and young people with knowledge, life skills, and experience means they are given the opportunities to bring about positive change in their own lives and in their communities.

Your sponsorship makes a world of difference, by helping us give a scholarship to those with a desire to create change, as well as support their specialist extra-curricular training.

## Ben

Ben Parkinson  
Founder



Our standpoint is that rural children in Uganda are no less able than those in London and New York. We want to see them reach their potential.



# The Butterfly Programme change makers

Many of the first group of change makers on the Butterfly Programme have now graduated from university and are implementing their plans for change that have a positive social impact in their communities and on the country as a whole.



**Philip** studied at Ashoka University in India. He is a natural entrepreneur and leader who has created a successful and unique agri-tech business that is revolutionising logistics in Uganda. He is gaining international recognition for his business and is offering new ways of working particularly for subsistence farmers.

**Eunice** grew up in a disadvantaged inner city area. She has now founded an NGO providing activities for children. Eunice has been mentoring and nurturing the talents of children from being a teenager. She is an accomplished flautist and music teacher and has a special way with children.



**Mansour** has set up a profitable music studio, which trains female victims of abuse in sound engineering. He won a Queen's Award a few years ago for his "Say No to Drugs" campaigns which worked with young people in Kampala.

**Martin** is studying for his PhD in Computer Science at the University of Seoul. He now trains young computer programming enthusiasts throughout Uganda using virtual technology. Martin is also a sponsor at our Chrysalis School, giving support back to the community.



All of these come from our very first cohort, that we recruited and subsequent cohorts are all developing with their own ideas and plans. Some are already at university, studying human rights law, computer science or Sports Science. In 2022, we recruited our 6th cohort and in 2023, we have already recruited the 7th and we are looking for sponsors for six years for these young people at our purpose-built school in Northern Uganda.



# Developing change makers

This is more than a normal sponsorship programme; combining a number of different elements:

- 🦋 Fun and exciting life skills training every Saturday. This involves a wide range of topics not typically covered by the Ugandan curriculum such as vision development, ethics and social impact.
- 🦋 We equip all our students with the essential knowledge and skills they need to master IT, including computer programming as well as using a broad range of software programmes.
- 🦋 Leadership skills and training modules provide students with the knowledge and experience for good governance.
- 🦋 From an early age, students are taught how to set up their own social projects or enterprises.
- 🦋 Developing empathy and strong core values is key to understanding social problems and exploring solutions.
- 🦋 Opportunities are provided to engage directly in entrepreneurial activities.
- 🦋 Travel opportunities are a key part of our curriculum to provide students with a broader understanding of the world.
- 🦋 We offer specialist training via Zoom or Skype from experts all over the world in subjects such as paleontology, wildlife conservation, sustainability, and more.
- 🦋 Linking with other NGOs in Uganda and internationally to gain insight in how others work to create change.



# The Chrysalis School – educating for the future

The Chrysalis School is unique in Uganda. It focuses on the potential of each child and nurtures them to realise their aspirations and ambitions. This involves providing them with life skills, knowledge and experience through training and activities that teach entrepreneurial skills. We provide an environment that nurtures their talents, passions and interests whether this is in sports, music, drama, farming, entrepreneurship, or social enterprise. Every Saturday and during the evenings in the week, our teaching team is on hand to guide students through a variety of activities and clubs.

Set in 10 acres of land, the Chrysalis School is the perfect environment for nurturing talent. We have an athletics track, solar power (DC and AC), an excellent water supply, and an allotment and garden for growing food. There are 160 places for boarding, an assembly hall, classrooms, a fully equipped laboratory and sports fields. All our teachers are fully qualified and passionate about achieving our project goals to nurture change makers to realise their full potential.



***“Every child can reach their potential, wherever they live in Uganda”***



# Your sponsorship makes a world of difference

## As a sponsor you will receive the following:

- 🦋 Regular email correspondence from the child or young person you are supporting.
- 🦋 Regular updates about your sponsored child or young person including information about their background, their aspirations and their ongoing development and achievements.
- 🦋 Copies of all school reports so you can see how your sponsored child or young person is progressing in school.
- 🦋 Occasional Zoom/Skype calls with students at the Butterfly Programme with the opportunity to talk directly with your sponsored child.

Our sponsorship programme starts at secondary school age. You will be supporting school fees and relevant costs involved in their education such as uniforms, etc. The Butterfly Programme provides all other tuition requirements including books, pens, and travel costs.





# Investing in a child

## Sponsorship costs per child:

- ✈ Sponsorship of £3,700 per child is required which will provide 6 years of schooling
- ✈ This equates to £600 per annum which is payable in monthly instalments of £50 per month.
- ✈ Additional one-off costs of £50 for school uniforms are required at the start of Year 1 and Year 5.

Any further additional donations go directly towards equipment and resources for the Butterfly Programme.





## To sponsor a child or young person:

🦋 Download the Sponsor Form from our website:

[www.cyen.online/sponsorchangemaker](http://www.cyen.online/sponsorchangemaker)

🦋 Set up a Standing Order for payments:

Chrysalis Youth Empowerment Network

Santander Bank PLC

Sort Code: 09-01-28

Account No. 38084956

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On behalf of all the Butterflies I would like to thank you for your support:

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