

Newsletter No. 5
December 2014

An amazing 11,199
Chilomoni children and
Parents have been
Supported by Mother Teresa
Children's Centre in 2014



Some of the Mother Teresa team completing their child protection training

Welcome to this latest update from the team at Mother Teresa Children's Centre. It's been a busy year packed with fun, learning and huge progress as we hope you can see. We'd all like to say a huge "thank you zikomo kwambiri" to our supporters, especially those who are able to sponsor a childcare place, you are making a huge difference to the lives of some very special children.

Best wishes-

Deborah Lawson MTCC Manager

**Reaching the most vulnerable:** The MTCC Allocations Committee, made up of local parents, social workers and health workers, allocated over 20 spaces for new children between September and November 2014. These children will have free of charge day care at MTCC until they are ready to leave for school. Lots of work has been done to introduce our new families to our setting and to address each family's needs- commonly malnutrition, being orphaned, extreme poverty or child protection concerns. These children are now settled and are receiving 3 meals each day, essential requirements (clothing/uniforms/additional nutrients) and a lot of emotional support and love!









MTCC Day Care classrooms have worked very hard this year to increase our continuous play provision for children, finding out about high-level learning through play, critical thinking and interaction and applying this to their rooms. We are very impressed at the effort of the staff teams to develop their skills for their key children. Well done!

With an increase in referrals for sponsored places for babies, we have recently undertaken basic care and health and hygiene reviews to ensure needs can be met



Every week our Outreach and Extended Schools Teams reach 1000's of children in the township. To help them gain more knowledge and understanding of the world around them, children from the Young Carer sessions and Day Care have enjoyed trips to visit local sites such as Michiru Nature Reserve and Chileka Airport (more exciting than you'd think when aeroplanes are a rare sighting!)





Role playing skills for life at the MTCC "Shop"









MTCC hosted 'Africa Day' after our topics 'our community' and 'Africa'- celebrating our culture with dancing, drumming, roleplay and lots of children's work.



Thank you for all of your support. We are safe, growing, learning and very happy!



In addition to child sponsorship received from our lovely community sponsors. We're funded by



mobal