



## Chamasongwe School Chalumbe, Zambia

**Aldwickbury is sponsoring 505 pupils (243 boys and 262 girls) at Chamasongwe School in Zambia**



Thank you for ensuring that Mary's Meals can provide them with a nutritious daily meal in their place of education.



### About your school

#### Chamasongwe Primary School

Chamasongwe Primary School now has 505 pupils enrolled, including 243 boys and 262 girls. Mary's Meals first began feeding in the school in July 2017. The children at Chamasongwe Primary School range from Standards 1 to 8.

There are 5 permanent classrooms at the school and the kitchen doubles up as a classroom when it is not being used for feeding. Chamasongwe Primary School's pupils are taught by a total of 6 teachers. The school's water source is a hand pump in the school grounds, which is very close to the kitchen, and there are pit latrine toilets on site that are split evenly between the boys and girls. The school also has a groundnuts garden for the children to cultivate.



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I started school here two years ago after I transferred from another school. I can honestly say the program has really helped me. I leave home for school at 5am everyday so I can get to school in time. Often times, I barely take anything, so I always look forward to my porridge at school because I know I will be energetic in class.

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Rita Banda, 16 Years Old, Grade 9

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I've been a volunteer here for 2 years since the programme started at the school. I've seen such a huge difference. The children never miss a school day knowing they will have porridge at school. This is especially distinct during the rainy season because most households do not have food in the household. The porridge is the only thing that keeps them going.

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Martha Mbewe, Volunteer

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The biggest change is in the overall performance of the students, individually and overall as a school. I have personally observed more children progressing into the next grade. That's what we want, its what any school wants

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Grace Banda Jere, Deputy Head Teacher

Thank you so much!