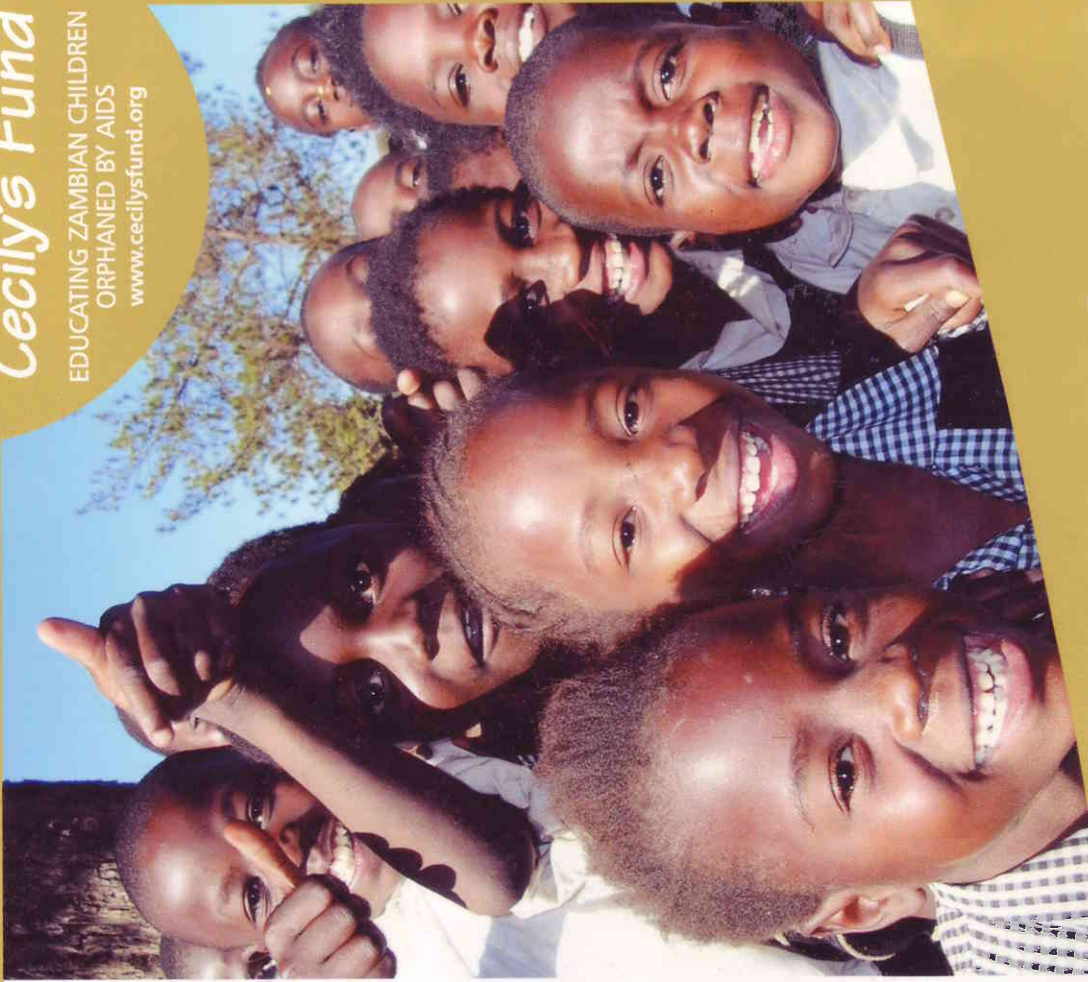


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Helen Cox

Signature

1st July 2009

Date

# Thank you!

**Lunchtime at Bwafwano  
March 2009**

Lunch on the day we visited was ground maize meal 'nshima' and a chicken stew. When preparing the meal, nothing was wasted and not one child left any food on their plate. For many of these children, this is the only meal they get each day.



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**Ande**

**March 2009**



Ande is 19 years old and is in grade ten at Buseko Basic School in Kitwe. The school has 2,025 children on its books, of which over 1,000 are orphaned or vulnerable. Ande loves school. Maths, English and RE are his favourite subjects. He would like to become a teacher when he leaves school. He told us that the support from the staff also teaches him how to look after himself and his siblings – vital for children faced with a total lack of support in their home environment. Ande is extremely grateful to Cecily's Fund and to our supporters in the UK for the opportunity to attend school that he has been given.

**Carla**

**March 2009**

Carla is a young girl who is supported to go to school by Cecily's Fund. We provide her with a uniform, shoes and books. Carla's father died when she was younger and her mother works in the fields in a village many miles away, where she is able to earn just enough money to buy food for the family. Carla lives with her grandmother and her disabled younger sister, Faith.

Without support from Cecily's Fund, Carla's family could not afford to send her to school.



**Brave**

**March 2009**

One success story from the teacher training programme is Brave, an inspiring young man who recently graduated from COSETCO teacher training college and is now employed at Springboard private school in Kitwe. There was a lot of competition for the job but Brave was the strongest candidate and he started working just one month after graduating. He gives some of the money he earns to his aunt which helps her to pay for three of his young relatives to go to school, which also helps to contribute to the sustainability of our programme.

*"I thank God. Without you, I don't know where I would have been"*

Caroline and Helen were enthralled in Brave's electrochemistry lesson - he teaches pure science and has definitely risen to the challenge of bringing cathodes and anodes to life!