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Looking forward, looking back.

It has become a tradition for the children in Primary 6 to have a photograph taken with me.



This picture is from seven years ago. It shows some of the young people who had completed Primary 6 and who left KCP for the second stage in their journey, most of them going to boarding school in different parts of the country.



Here are most of them now. They are waiting for the results of the National Examinations which they took in July and then we will have more news about the next stage for them. It seems to be taking a very long time for the results to be published this year. I was not in Kigali this year to help them out and visit the schools with them but they sent me this picture which they had made for me.



This year a new group of 18 students who finished primary 6 are transferring to secondary boarding school with the support of their sponsors. It takes a lot of preparation to find everything they need as they have to take everything with them, including toilet rolls and soap.

We try as often as possible to find places where there are already some students from KCP. Leaving is a big event and we hire a bus to drop of the new students, the others find their own way to school.

Here are some pictures of them at different places



We wish them well, our children usually have a good reputation for working hard, helping out and showing initiative.

Meanwhile during the very short break when children were not at the project, Jean and his team of student volunteers did some essential maintenance on the building in preparation for the new school year which should be from September next year if all goes to plan.



It is so lovely to see some of our students who are so happy to be able to give something back. It is also good experience for them and they enjoy being with each other – part of the KCP family.

And we are now ready to welcome the students back, hoping that this school year will not be so badly disrupted as last year.



Wherever you are in the world I hope that you and your loved ones are safe and well and I wish you peace, love and happiness in this crazy world.

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With thanks to Epiphanie and Jean for the photographs.