



RSVP Charity

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Back in September we brought attention to the issue that many of the students that finished secondary school last year with fantastic grades and secured a university scholarship for their tuition fees were unlikely to go to university. They lack the funds to even begin funding just their living expenses at university (accommodation, food and such). So we made a post to ask our supporters if anyone could help one of these students.

Over in Rwanda they replicated the democratic process we usually use to select our sponsored secondary students.

From their discussions involving teachers, students and families Jeremie Bukuru was selected. He passed his 56 exams with an overall score of 73 out of the maximum 73 - unsurprisingly he passed with distinction!

Jeremie wasn't actually present for the discussion as he is living with his grandmother in another village called Nyakabuye. How delighted he will be when the news reaches him!!



Outreach on RSVP Facebook page looking for support

Jeremie with his prizes for the national science competition

Jeremie finds a University Sponsor

RSVP has been thrilled that we have a record high number of sponsors continuing to support their student to university. This is so exciting to see more students achieving more! With an increasing number of sponsored students going on to achieve good jobs, more of them find themselves in positions to support other family members, people in the community and RSVP. This is the beginning of RSVP's dream of a sustainable partnership driven project.

However there are a few students who got excellent grades at the end of secondary school and were granted a government scholarship for university but were without the funds to support themselves. As not all the students supported by RSVP would be able to fund the accommodation, travel, supplies and food involved with going away for university.

So on the RSVP Facebook page we reached out to the supporters to help one of these students with the place at university but no means to support themselves (Image 1). Fortunately, the Facebook post was successful and Jeremie Bukuru was selected.

Jeremie completed secondary school with 73/73 in the national examination which of course meant he passed with distinction. He also went on to enter a national science competition in which he came second. Rwanda Education Board (REB) awarded him with a prize of a laptop and USB (Image 2). This is will be a fantastic tool for him now he is sponsored to university that most of our students don't usually get. He is currently studying Human nutrition and dietetics at the university of Rwanda. His new 'facebook sponsors' are very proud!

If you're interested in supporting any other students like Jeremie who have the opportunity of further education without the means please get contact us at info@rsvp.org.uk or give the Facebook page a message!