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GIRL POWER WITH POWERGIRLS

In February a fantastic new programme for 48 local girls, aged 9-15 powergirls.com was launched at Woza Moya. Developed by MAMAS, this innovative 7 year programme, aims to transform vulnerable girls to become outspoken and powerful young women, capable of becoming change agents within their communities. Woza Moya is situated in a traditional Zulu area where patriarchy, assumed male supremacy and gender-based violence are common. Many young girls are denied the opportunity of ever reaching their full potential. PowerGirls intends to change this by providing young and adolescent girls with the tools to become resilient, positive and inspirational role models for those coming after them. Woza Moya PowerMama Coordinator, Sinethemba Ndlovu, has great expectations: 'My two PowerMama facilitators, Thembi, Zandile and I are excited. We are going to give our girls hope and a bright future with this programme.'



TRAIN THE TRAINERS

Thembelephi Chiliza, Woza Moya 'Every Word Counts' trainer, was asked to help facilitate a 2-day Train the Trainers workshop at the Valley Trust with wordworks.org.za. From all accounts Thembi stepped into this new role like a pro! 11 organisations attended, including one of our ECD Practitioners from Woza Moya, Fikisile Zuma. We are grateful to Wordworks for this on-going partnership, enriching our ECD team and work here in the Ufafa Valley Community.



EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Woza Moya ECD Practitioners did exchange visits to an ECD Centre of Excellence in Underberg, Noah's Ark, facebook.com/NoahsArkUnderberg for 4 days. Woza Moya ECD Practitioners also travel here for trainings on Saturdays. This deep immersion experience will assist our ECD team with implementing all they are learning in the classroom.



SOUTH COAST OUTING

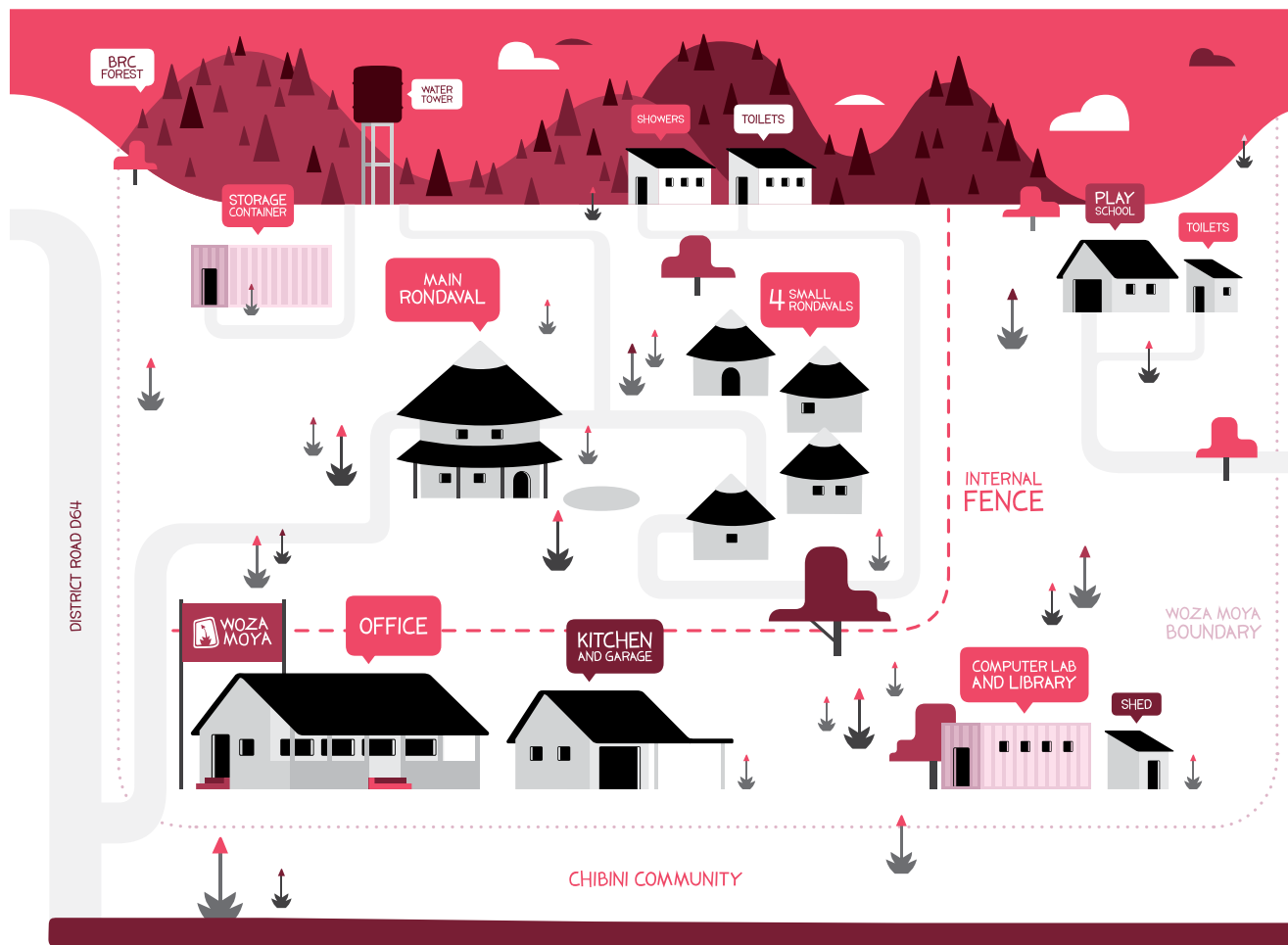
On a perfect warm sunny day in February, the Woza Moya team of 34 adults, and 35 Children aged 3-5, headed for the beautiful South Coast of KwaZulu-Natal, for a much anticipated outing. The children saw the Indian Ocean for the first time. All hands were on deck to ensure their safety, as they swam in crystal clear warm waters, built sand castles, scrambled up and down sand dunes, kicking balls and having the time of their life. Sometimes it wasn't clear who were the adults and children! This amazing day provided much needed therapy for all of our team, who work at the coalface of life and death issues, every day in the Ufafa Valley Community.



ALSO IN FEBRUARY

- Full Board Meeting took place in Durban as planned
- Annual volunteer and friend Shirley Griffin from Wales arrived laden with exquisite handmade jerseys from our Welsh Gogos, for our children. Shirl also brought top quality soccer gear passed on by her nephews in the UK
- Peter MacFarlane, old friend, and WOZA MOYA UK, spent a few days on site at Woza Moya, catching up with all the team, going into the community and hearing about new programmes
- Viv & Brian Davies of the Felixstowe Landguard Rotary Club in the UK came to visit us for a day. Viv & Brian are working hard to raise funds to refurbish our training room
- Emma Rutherford, Starfish Greathearts Foundation UK Consultant did a site visit to us
- Former US Consul General Francis Chisholm visited Woza Moya to see if our Women's Self-Help Groups may be able to fulfil her passion in agro-economy
- Peace Corps volunteers Eva Peterson and Noa Walkins ran a great one day workshop on Job Readiness for our 1st 15 graduates from our 3month Computer Course at Woza Moya





HOST A TEA PARTY

No matter how big or small your gathering Sue is happy to be there and appreciates your time and support.

For more details please email sue@wozamoya.org.za

WOZA MOYA'S ZULU VILLAGE DREAM