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Dear Dartington Families.

Help Us Share the Joy of Reading with Children in Africa!

At our school, we live by our values compassion, peace, and love wanting every child to realise the possible and flourish, and now we have a powerful opportunity to put these values into action! We are launching an exciting book donation initiative to bring the joy of reading to underprivileged primary school children in rural parts of Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Imagine a child opening a book for the very first time—discovering new worlds, learning new words, and unlocking a future full of possibilities. In many rural African schools, books are scarce, and libraries are nearly non-existent. But together, we can change that!

We are collecting any **used primary-age books** to help instil a love of reading in young learners who are eager to grow and explore and help them to learn English as they read. No book is too old—**every book has the power to inspire!** Whether it's a storybook, an educational book, or a fun adventure, your donation will **make a real difference.**

This is an ongoing initiative and a chance for us to make a global difference from Dartington, so we welcome as many books as possible! Once we gather enough, they will be shipped directly to schools in need, ensuring that these children receive them for free and have the opportunity to live life with a joy of reading like we do here.

If you have books you've outgrown or no longer need, **please bring them to your class**—every contribution matters! Together, let's build a brighter future, one book at a time.

Thank you for being a part of this incredible mission! This is a passion of mine and I thank you all for supporting where you can.

Best wishes

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