

January- June 2021

**Dear all,**

We hope our newsletter finds you in good health. We are learning to work and live with all the Covid-19 protocols and can say that despite these protocols and restrictions we have had a good first 6 months of 2021. Due to a delay in Ghana's vaccination program, we have not yet been able to have our team vaccinated. This is very unfortunate as that the Delta variant is now causing a 3rd wave in Ghana. We will continue to implement the guidelines at our Centre, now more than ever with the extremely contagious Delta variant.

The first 6 months of 2021 allowed us to continue to implement the To Be Connected program. Now 10 children have access to a tablet to use at home. Our Alumni took part in a workshop organised through the To Be Improved program and the Nose for Plastic program was completed with a graduation ceremony. All children and parents were very enthusiastic about what they learned and how to implement that in their daily life.

We hope you enjoy reading the newsletter. Thank you for your support !!! On behalf of the team, please stay safe and healthy!

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## To Be Connected - digital devices for education at home

Providing the first 5 children with a tablet to use at home as our efforts to help them make up for the deficit caused by schools closing for nearly a year due to Corona, has been a success. We needed a bit of time to find the right software to make sure the children would not have access to unsuitable sites and have chosen for Kaspersky Safe Kids. This software, in addition to blocking unwanted sites, also provides us with statistics on how long children use the tablet and when. The next 5 children have also received their tablet! We hope to provide another 10 children with tablets before the end of 2021. Thank you to our sponsor for making this possible!

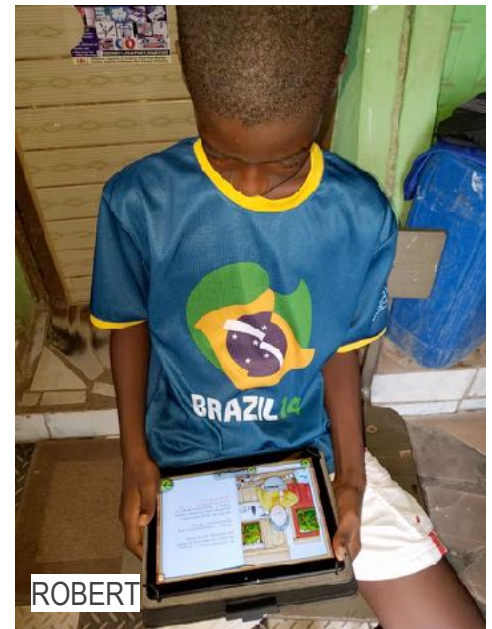
We visited the children at home to see how the tablets are used.



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**“In education technology can be a life-changer, a game changer for kids who are both in school and out of school” - Queen Raina of Jordan**

# Chess Program

Our Chess Program is taught in a setting that doesn't allow for social distancing. We had hoped to have been able to ask Mr. Hazel to resume his lesson. Unfortunately that still isn't an option. As the children enjoy it so much, we found a digital option that will allow them to play chess against each other and other children around the world using our iPads.





**THE #1 CHESS WEBSITE FOR KIDS**

For Kids to Learn and Play Chess  
For Parents and Coaches to Teach Chess

# Nose for Plastic


Congratulations to all children who participated in the Nose for Plastic Program on a job well done!! Big thank you to their parents, who supported them and who were also interested to learn about the environment and the effects of single use plastic. The program was exciting! We will evaluate, fine tune and offer more children the opportunity to follow the program as well as develop spinoffs that we can offer to schools in the vicinity of the Centre.



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8. How are you going to use the information you have learnt from the program after it ends?  
*I would teach others (especially my friends) about it. I would explain to them how useful plastic waste is, when converted and how dangerous it is, when improperly disposed.*

9. Would you tell your other friends about the program? What would you say to them about the program?  
*Yes, I would tell them about the program. I would tell them that they would learn a lot about how "useful" waste is and how they can use waste (plastic waste) to make new and useful things.*

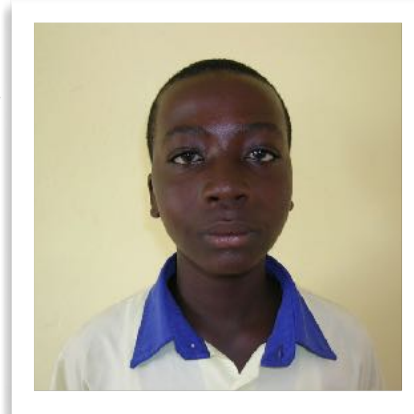


## Isaac's Story

My name is Isaac Kwesi Alor, but well known as Paa Kwesi Alor. I combine a position as a fulltime Warehouse Manager for a Pharmaceutical company with my Media personality in Acting, Presenting and Hosting events. In 2009, when I was a member of the Education Centre, I had the opportunity to stage a drama show in High School. This day changed my life. I wanted to know everything about Acting and Entertainment. Back at the **To Be Worldwide** Centre, I read everything I could find about this. Now I have featured in a movie titled **"The Message"** and in a number of stage performances. I have also hosted the first edition of the **Western Music Awards**.

The To Be Worldwide Alumni Fund helped me finance a I was working on. Whenever there is an event at the Centre that needs presenting, filming etc, I am at their service. I am now slowly building my passion for Acting, Presenting and Producing into a fulltime profession.

Isaac as member of To Be



Isaac now in 2021

## To Be Improved

The first group of Alumni, who have benefitted from the **To Be Improved Program**, are working towards their graduation in October/November of this year. The program provided the alumni with workshops on topic's relevant to either their participation in the Digital Marketing Program or to use in their studies or at work. The last workshop was on the **Principles of Project Management**. Sessions are run online by Marlon, Micheal and team from Improved Finance, with the support from Doris at the Centre. In addition to the Alumni who participate at the Centre, we now have Alumni joining us online, which is great!! The first group is called Class of 2019 (when we started the program). We have already started the Class of 2021. Thank you to the Improved Finance Team!



*Looking ahead..... - Implementing our "From A- ToBe" Program, a schoolbus for the Education Centre. Developing a STEM (science, technology, engineering and Math) Program. News about our ICT curriculum and new team members.*

**Thank you for you support!!!**