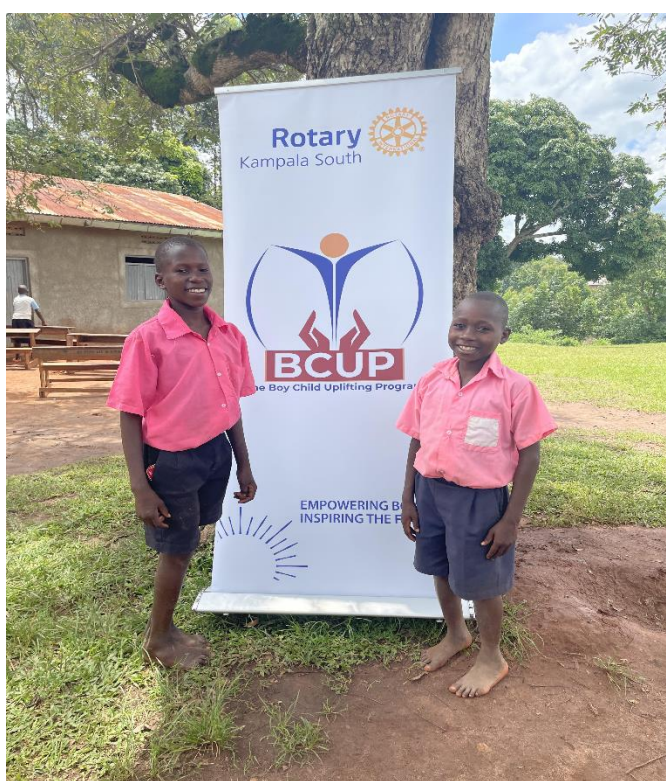




**THE BOY CHILD UPLIFTING PROGRAM_BCUP
 ROTARY CLUB OF KAMPALA SOUTH
 ST. CHARLES RC PRIMARY SCHOOL BCUP REPORT**



Activity Name/title	ST. CHARLES RC PRIMARY SCHOOL- BCUP PROGRAM
Background	<p>The Boy Child Uplifting Program BCUP is one of the core pillars of the 2023-24 Rotary District 9213 agenda, focusing on uplifting the boy child. The girl-child had been the centre of focus for more than 25 years after centuries of injustice and discrimination at the hands of male hegemony and patriarchy that characterize our society. This effort has increasingly left the boy child in an environment that has eroded their confidence and general holistic human value systems and supportive structures. As such, the Rotary Club of Kampala South opted to take a values-driven mentorship approach in the implementation of this area of focus.</p>

BCUP Objective	Conduct mindset change projects through support, share learning experiences and support with rewarding effort and practice for individual and group improvement
Date and Venue of the Activity/Meeting	Held on 27th OCTOBER 2023 at St. Charles RC Primary School, Mityana
Activity brief description and objectives of the Project/program	<p>The BCUP session was integrated within the RCKS Mission Green Project. It was led by the BCUP Project committee chair- Bella Katooro and Arthur Rutaroh; a BCUP Committee member.</p> <p>The chair presented the overview and background of the BCUP program whose main goal is to empower and support the boy child and particularly for this session, the objective was to mentor the boys through sharing learning experiences and imparting Value based skills.</p>
Number of participants (BOYS)	210 boys and girls who ranged from P1 to P7 and particularly 140 boys
Discussion with the boy learners including the boy children	<p>The team from Rotary Club of Kampala South was able to have an interactive and participatory session with the learners including the boys with the focus being on VALUES AND BEING A RESPONSIBLE PERSON/BOY</p> <p>The young boys described what they understood as important values. Various feedback was provided including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Being respectful to your parents - Being truthful and honest to others and self - Listening to your teachers - Not fighting with your friends - Kneeling to greet your elders - Always praying to God for guidance - NOT allowing bad touches - Being fair in your judgement
Way forward	<p>The team together with the boy children were able to forge way forward based on the interaction;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Create awareness on sexuality education among the boy child b) Use participatory methods to drive messages home c) Continue the use of ‘talking compounds’ with positive messages in the school which had clearly had a positive influence on the learners d) Mentorship programs that highlight importance of young boys who embody qualities like kindness, empathy, and collaboration to help challenge harmful stereotypes and provides boys with diverse aspirations beyond narrow definitions of masculinity.
Conclusion	In the pursuit of a truly equal and just society, it's crucial that we focus on instilling values that recognize and address the unique challenges faced by boys. By doing so, we pave the way for a generation of men who are not only confident and successful but also compassionate and understanding contributors to a better world.

PHOTO GALLERY



Learners interacting with the BCUP Kampala South Chair after the BCUP Session



Member of the RC Kampala South BCUP Committee with the learners/boy children