## PARISH PARTNERSHIP

# Wivelsfield's link with St Matthew's Aberdeen, Sierra Leone BETTER TOGETHER

### **NEWSLETTER 75**

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#### LATEST NEWS

Since our previous Newsletter at the start of the year we have received various updates from Sierra Leone in which we think you will be interested.

#### SHIDA PRE-SCHOOL

Earlier in the year we attempted to send £200 to cover the cost of a trampoline to add to their play equipment. Unfortunately a series of gremlins got into the banking system which prevented it getting through. We are happy to be able to report that we have now found a way of getting the money to Sierra Leone.

On March 8<sup>th</sup> Shida celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a series of events including a parade (see picture) and services of Thanksgiving at St. Matthew's church and the local Mosque.

#### **UNIVERSITY STUDENTS**

January's Newsletter included a picture of Sylvanus Morgan-Williams in relaxed mode. He is studying Accountancy at Freetown University.

We are told that he is progressing well and enjoying himself, as is the other student who we support. He is Andrew Davies (see picture) who is studying Biological Sciences (also at Freetown University) with a view to following this at Medical school to become a doctor.

It is gratifying to know that the efforts of the parish of Wivelsfield are enabling these two young men to receive an education that would not otherwise be available to them.

The same applies, of course, to the 7 children whose secondary education we are financing.

#### ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

Our last picture shows some of the congregation in relaxed mode enjoying a social gathering on a local beach on February 4<sup>th</sup>. I can't remember what I was doing on that date but I certainly wasn't considering a beach party.

#### **FEEDBACK**

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