

The Red Rubber Ball Philosophy

The Red Rubber Ball Foundation is a social enterprise providing opportunities, guidance, and encouragement to help young people live the life they want.

Our projects are based around education - the building block to helping families move on in life and escape the poverty trap.

The backbone of our activities are **Scholarships** – providing children who could not otherwise do so, with an opportunity to complete their schooling. We back this up with **Workshops** to develop skills and in-school **Mentoring** to maximise their chance of success.

This is enhanced by out-of-school **Mentoring** to help students into work or further studies, and vocational opportunities through a **Field Centre farm** and a **Cycling Club**.

The red rubber ball family is a movement of young people, supporters, volunteers, mentors, who share and live by a common philosophy.

Anything is Possible ... if you put your mind to it

It is this philosophy that makes the difference. People are capable of extraordinary things. We have seen many people achieve things in life that even they did not think were possible.

The key to living the life you want is attitude - it is possible IF you put your mind to it.

Choice – taking personal responsibility for your situation; making decisions about what's best for the life you want and the action you are prepared to take; realising that you may not choose your situation, but you can choose how you respond and what you do next.

Passion – choosing to live life purposefully; finding and doing things that interest and excite you.

Vision – identifying and going after things you want to be, do, and have.

Action – actually doing something about it; taking steps to change things; being accountable; doing what you say you will do.

Our approach is to **be an encourager** - encouraging others to be and do the best they can; coaching; guiding; problem solving. It's a win: win - because encouraging others prompts you to achieve more too.

We encourage everyone to **pay it forward**; to do things for others; giving time, money, or energy to help them improve their lives.

This produces the next leaders, with new ventures identified and the success of projects determined by individuals taking action and contributing to the common good.

And as part of The Red Rubber Ball Foundation, you are part of a bigger family – a support network of people who share this mindset and philosophy (sponsors, volunteers, mentors, project partners, friends).