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ROBERT H COOLEY CHILD-WELLNESS CENTRE MAKES A BIG CATCH

Last week a number of children came to the Robert H Cooley Child Wellness Centre and they were received by the centre officer who welcomed them, registered, weighed and took them to Papoli Health Centre for a general medical checkup.



CHILDREN AT ARRIVAL FOR REGISTRATION AT THE CHILD-WELLNESS CENTRE



CHILDREN AFTER RECEIVING UNIFORMS FROM THE CENTRE OFFICER

Once at the Health Centre if any of them is found to be ill, he or she is immediately put on treatment and given necessary medication. The children are also de wormed and then taken back to the Child-Wellness Centre where they are bathed, given uniforms and put on nutritive support.

CHILD-WELLNESS CENTRE HOME BASED-CARE PROGRAMME SHOWING POSITIVE RESULTS

Basing on the discovery that most malnourished children in Papoli vil- lage live with their grandparents who are unable to escort them to the Child-Wellness Centre, a home based programme was introduced to help care for these children from their respective homes. Under this programme children are identified from within the community and given all the necessary support such as (psychosocial support, medication, food items among others from their homes. Follow-ups are also made to these homes by Community Volun- teers and Child-wellness Assistants to ensure that these guardians and parents follow the recommended childcare guidelines given to them.. This home based intervention initi- ated in Papoli early this year has proved very useful to malnourished kids and guardians.



ROSSETTE-CHILD WELLNESS OFFICER WITH SOME OF THE CHILDREN IN THE HOME BASED PROGRAMME.

ROSE AKOTH A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE HOME BASED CHILD-WELLNESS PROGRAMME



ROSE AT IDENTIFICATION

Rose Akoth is an orphan who lives with her grand parents in Osia zone Papoli village who was identified by one of our staff from community development while on routine home visits. She had a skin infection and looked to be generally ill. The PACODEF staff advised Rose's grandparents to enroll her to the Robert Cooley child-wellness centre to which she responded that she had nobody to help her take Rose to and from the centre. She was then told about the home based programme to which she agreed to. The child-wellness assistant was then sent to her home who taught her about nutrition and how to take care of Rose .She was also given food supplements and advised to take the child to Papoli health centre for routine medical checkup and possible medication. Rose's guardian listened to this advise and followed the instructions. This has led to this great transformation in Rose's life. In 2 weeks she has gained 1.2Kgs



ROSE NOW UNDER THE HOME BASED PROGRAMME

WORKSHOP AND TRAINING ON PROPER NUTRITION



A FACILITATOR DEMONSTRATING HOW TO PREPARE A BALANCED MEAL

Last week PACODEF organized a three day workshop for its staff mainly those attached to the Child-Wellness Centre. The facilitators were nutritionists from Tororo General Hospital who trained and equipped our staff with knowledge and skills on nutrition and childcare.

Participants were able to acquire knowledge on early childhood growth and development plus skills of feeding infants and young children. They were also challenged to work as agents on nutrition and childcare in Papolu community.



JESICA A PACODEF CHILD-WELLNESS CENTRE ASSISTANT PREPARING MORINGA

BREAST FEEDING MOTHERS TAUGHT ON GOOD BREAST FEEDING HABITS

On Friday last week the Child-Wellness Centre officer Rossette Kyohikire organized a one day workshop to sensitize mothers on breast feeding practices. She taught them on proper feeding methods to enable them give their children quality milk. They were also advised on the number of times to breast feed in a given day, types of breast feeding and hygiene. Several questions were asked and answered to the delight of the mothers. She further advised those with medical related complications to visit the health centre so that they can receive proper treatment. This training helps mothers on how to care for newly born babies, positioning of the breast and how to tell when the baby is sick.



MOTHERS ATTENTIVELY LISTENING TO THE CHILD-WELLNESS TALK.

REMARKABLE PEOPLE



BILL WALLOF OPENING A BOREHOLE IN MALAWA

When you make a mark on people's lives, you are definitely remarkable and for this particular edition Bill Wallof, the immediate past Dean of Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church, Tampa– USA is a remarkable person. Bill and his team have done a lot to change the lives of people in Papoli Village right from providing safe water , constructing the State of Art Preschool and Primary schools for the community to giving of different gifts to members of the community. This selfless act is immeasurable and the good Lord shall reward him immensely.

NEXT WEEK...

- Identification of sanitary unit coverage in Papoli
- Raising of the walls of Papoli Christian Primary School Day and Boarding .
- Painting of PACODEF Tailoring School Block.



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