



# Bulletin 2

Occasional news and snippets for participants, leaders, and supporters of Project Africa 2024

May 2023

## Participant/Leader Day – 14 May

Participants and leaders met for the first time for a day of team building which included: a team energiser, tent tornado, on safari (making the flattest elephant, tallest giraffe, proudest lion, spottiest leopard, and the wrinkliest rhino), as well as taking part in the Africa escape room.



Participants that had attended previous Project Africa events also shared their experiences with those new to the Project Africa programme. Group gatherings explored making the event youth shaped, top awards, and fundraising ideas. A graffiti wall also helped build ideas for the event. The action-packed and fun day concluded with a parent/family briefing.

## Parent/Family Briefing – 14 May

Simon Pickett (Project Manager) explained the circumstances that has led to researching an alternative country for Project Africa 2024.

Key points made in the briefing included:

*headline numbers are good for both adults and young people;*

*the day was a great start in building the unit with great teamwork (getting to know each other – we all need to support each other!);*



*good discussions on youth shaped, top awards, and fundraising;*

*outlined where we are with plan B – working hard and trying our best to find an appropriate alternative country;*



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### **Parent/Family Briefing** *continued*

*possible option being investigated in Botswana – although cost is a challenge; given ourselves until end June to find an alternative – after that date we run out of time; first deposit of £300 due around end of June; safety, welfare, and wellbeing arrangements explained; some discussion on fundraising options; all encouraged to keep up-to-date through Facebook and web page (see links below); a reminder of the importance of attending future events.*

### **Dragon Boat Regatta – 2 July**

There's an opportunity to support fundraising for Project Africa 2024 on Sunday 2 July at Wokingham Waterside Centre (RG6 1PQ).



A form/link will be sent to all participants to sign-up for a two-hour shift during the day. The shift will include helping with cooking (essentially a barbecue) and serving snacks and refreshments for the event.

### **Fundraising**

A small group from the leader team are preparing guidance and resources to help with fundraising. Look out for this new resource to be added to the Project Africa web page soon!

### **Project team**

Listed below are the leads for the different areas of organisation for Project Africa 2024. A brief introduction to all leaders involved in the project will be featured in future *Bulletins*.

*Project Manager:* Simon Pickett  
*Programme (event):* Sarah Barrow  
*Programme (join-in):* Sarah Dunnett  
*Programme (training):* Richard Rudman  
*Logistics:* Phill Wood  
*Finance:* Tony Phillips  
*Safety/Welfare:* Ian May  
*Comms:* Mick Stocks  
*Support Services:* Liz Jenkin  
*Fundraising:* vacant

Plans are in place to engage young people in the above areas – **youth shaped!**



### **Useful links**

[Project Africa 2024 web page](#)

[Project Africa 2024 Facebook page \(public\)](#)

[Project Africa 2024 Facebook page \(group\)](#)  
(Leaders, participants, parents and relatives)

[Project Africa Programme Facebook page](#)  
(GAP resources, PA Challenge Badge)

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