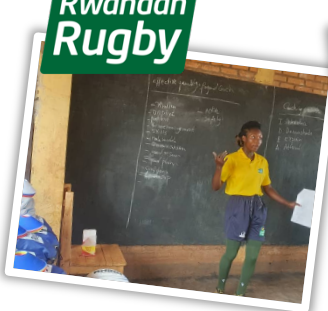




The schools close for the summer holidays in July and August so the RDOs focus on running sessions for children in their communities.

In July, Etienne ran a full week of tag rugby as part of a summer holiday club at Bright School in Muhanga. The children and teachers loved the activities and the feedback we had was that he was “amazing with the kids and they loved it”. Well done Etienne!



In July Joseph, and Rachel ran a Tag for Teachers training in Nkungu sector, Rusizi. 12 teachers from 6 schools took part and we gave them all equipment so they can carry on delivering sessions at their schools. Big thanks to the Bill McLaren foundation for funding this program.



In Kayonza District Martin delivered tag rugby sessions as part of the Akagera Kids summer camp.



In August we were delighted that Aisha was selected to represent the Rwanda Rugby Federation in the Grassroots to Global forum that was held in Sunderland in the UK. Aisha worked very hard beforehand attending online seminars and meetings and made a presentation at the forum about women's rugby and the growth of rugby in Rwanda. Aisha also attended the opening ceremony and first match of the Women's Rugby World Cup, she took part in wheelchair rugby and played T1 rugby on the beach – what a wonderful experience and no doubt she has made new friends for life.



The Schools Sports Association in Rwanda organises rugby competitions every year. Although FoRR is not directly involved with this it is notable that the schools that do well often have a FoRR RDO working with them. This year one of Emmanuel's schools was the girls' school champions and one of Joseph's schools was the boys' champions. Joseph travelled to Kenya with the boys' team to represent Rwanda in the East African schools' finals. Well done to both RDOs and their teams.

Our RDOs have been running Rugby y'Abana Bato sessions with children from 3-6 years for a few years now but it is only this year that, with funding from the Jane and Dennis Reese Foundation coordinated by AJ Hale, we have been able to run trainings for nursery teachers and caregivers at ECD centres and schools. In September Kamanda, Aiha and Babou ran a training for 12 nursery teachers from Rubavu district. The feedback was excellent- well done team!



In September the schools reopened and the RDOs returned to schools. We are delighted to welcome 3 new RDOs to the team- Manzi who will be working in Nyamagabe, Confiance in Nyanza, and Clarisse in Karongi. This takes our team to 18. Before the schools opened the new RDOs attended an induction meeting with Kamanda in Kigali assisted by Aisha.

Friends of Rwandan Rugby – The Team!

Burera
Assinapold

Musanze
David

Rubavu
Babou

Kamonyi
Emmanuel

Karongi
Clarisse

Rusizi
Rachel

Muhanga
Etienne

Nyamagabe
Manzi

Huye
Sandrine

Nyanza
Confiance

Ruhango
Yvette

Ruhango
Joseph

Rwamagana
Evariste

Nyarugenge
Aisha

Gasabo
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