

Bandawe Girls Secondary School



At Bandawe Girls, RIPPLE Africa sponsor four students. Ruth is just coming to the end of her first year, Annie and Esther are both in their third year and Maness is preparing to sit her final exams. We caught up with them at school to see how the 2016/17 school year has been.



Ruth Ngulube (Form One)

The school year has been good. I have learnt so many things and I liked that there have been subjects that we have learnt through playing games. The biggest challenge at home has been that my mother has to work very hard to give me food at school and some pocket money. At school there are few books for us in the library which can be a problem when we try to study. This year my first year has been good and the people in Form 1 are lovely and kind. For the next year, if I want to improve I should study hard and concentrate on school work and I should also play hard too because in God, everything is possible. In the year, the most important thing I have learnt is in Biology. I learnt about the digestive system and circulatory system because it is important to us. In computer science, I learnt about programs on a computer.

Esther Mhango (Form Three)

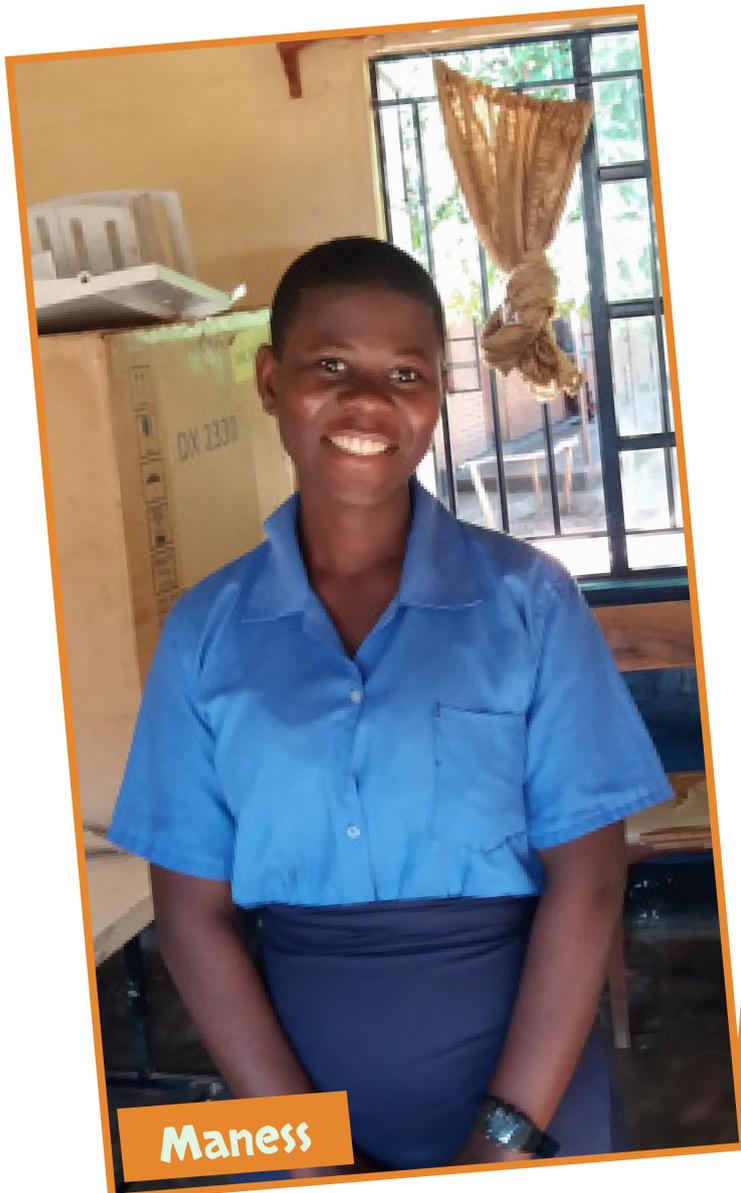
This year has been good as I have learnt many things especially in Biology. By working harder than last year I am doing better, and I have also been working in groups and revising past papers too. The biggest thing I have learnt this year is that girls can also make it and hard work pays off.

Annie Chipeya (Form Three)

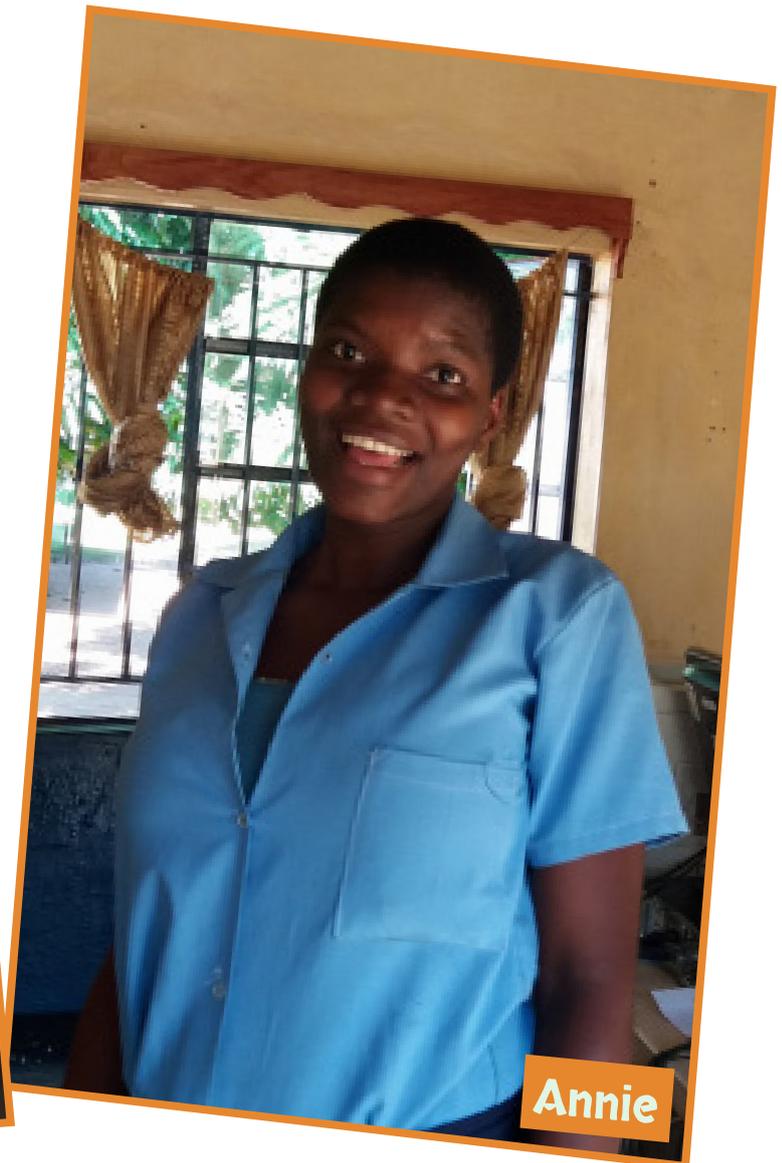
The school year started well because I can see many things are changing for me in terms of class position. In the past years I was doing well but this year I am happy just because my position in class is now fine and good. I am ranked 14. This year my favourite subjects have been physical science, maths, biology and English. Next year I will keep working extra hard and have time for studying. I am asking friends in Form 4 questions so that I know the answers. I also know that I must ask questions to the teacher if I am unsure. The most important thing I have learnt is to work hard in class because if I work hard is when I will be passing well. I have also learnt how to be spiritual in terms of God's work.

Maness Kawondo (Form Four)

Form Four has been good but the last two weeks of term, the teachers in the whole country were striking which was a disturbance to me because I was forced to learn many things in a shorter space of time. I love almost all subjects at school: physical science, maths, biology, computer, agriculture, English, geography and history. When I finish school I'm hoping to learn more about computers and how they work while I wait for my MSCE results. This year, some of the biggest things I have learnt have been about overcoming youth problems, how to relate to other people and that people all over the world are having problems. I also know I have to be assertive to succeed.



Maness



Annie