

Dear Parent / Guardian,

As you may be aware, AIDS has orphaned 15 million children around the world. Many are left not only with grief, but the responsibility of running a household and looking after siblings. Education often comes as a secondary priority to the search for paid work and food. Childhoods disappear and futures look bleak.

Tearfund, in partnership with Scripture Union, have designed a fund-raising resource called Shoulder to Shoulder that aims to equip and encourage school groups in the UK and Ireland to support those living in child-headed households around the world. The idea is a simple one: young people raise money by getting sponsored to take on various tasks and chores at school or home. All the money raised will be used to help children orphaned by AIDS.

Your child has chosen to be involved in the Shoulder to Shoulder initiative, and your support will help them make a real difference to young lives around the world.

If you would like more information, please visit www.tearfund.org/s2s Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

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