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Report Form



Interim or Final report: Final report

Donor name: Fondation Eagle

Fondation Eagle reference: FF-749

Name of Charity: PEAS (Promoting Equality in African Schools)

Introduction: This project supported the construction of a 3-classroom block at PEAS Horizon Secondary School in Luwero District, Central Uganda. The grant from Fondation Eagle enabled PEAS to address overcrowding and respond to rapidly increasing demand for quality, affordable secondary education at one of our fastest-growing schools.

Since its acquisition by PEAS in 2022, Horizon has experienced significant improvements in infrastructure, academic performance, and community confidence. Enrolment has grown steadily, reflecting the school's reputation for providing safe, inclusive, and high-quality education for young people from surrounding communities.

At the time of the request, classroom capacity at Horizon was limited to 700 spaces, while enrolment had already reached 668 students (60% girls). Without additional infrastructure, the school faced increasing pressure on existing classrooms and the risk of turning students away. The new classroom block has enabled the school to expand safely while maintaining a supportive and conducive learning environment for students.

Fondation Eagle has been a committed supporter of PEAS since 2011, playing a key role in enabling the expansion and improvement of our school network across Uganda and Zambia. Their continued partnership has been instrumental in helping PEAS meet growing demand for secondary education



and ensure that young people from marginalised communities have the opportunity to learn and thrive.

This project at PEAS Horizon builds on that long-standing partnership, strengthening the school's capacity to serve its community while supporting the continued development of the PEAS network in Uganda.

Date of grant accepted: 10 April 2025

Amount: £47,787

Name and exact location of the project: Construction of a 3-classroom block at PEAS Horizon Secondary School, Luwero District, Central Uganda

Period of Project: 6-12 months

Project beneficiaries: 687 beneficiaries (668 students – 60% girls – and 19 teachers)

Details of the project:

The Project

In April 2025, Fondation Eagle generously committed £47,787 to support the construction of a 3-classroom block at PEAS Horizon Secondary School in Luwero District, Uganda. This investment responded to a critical need for additional classroom space at one of PEAS' fastest-growing schools.

Since joining the PEAS network in 2022, Horizon has undergone significant improvements in infrastructure, teacher performance, and student outcomes. In 2024, all 81 candidates (48 girls and 33 boys) passed their national examinations, achieving a 100 percent pass rate and exceeding the national average.

Despite this progress, the school was nearing full capacity. With 668 students enrolled, only 700 available classroom spaces, and growing demand from the local community. Horizon faced the risk of overcrowding and increasing pressure on existing facilities. The construction of the new classroom block has created 180 additional learning spaces, enabling the school to continue admitting new students while maintaining a safe and supportive learning environment.

Implementation

Following a competitive tendering process, PEAS Uganda contracted Code Contractors to deliver the construction works. Construction began in June 2025 and progressed smoothly throughout the project period.

The PEAS construction team carried out regular site inspections, supported by a Clerk of Works who provided on-site supervision and regular progress reports to ensure adherence to quality standards and approved designs. Materials and labour were sourced locally where possible, supporting employment within the surrounding community and strengthening local ownership of the project.

The classroom block was successfully completed in December 2025, with finishing works, solar installation, and furniture delivery completed as part of the final stage of the project. The classrooms are now fully operational, and in February 2026, welcomed students for the new academic year.



Impact

- **Expanded capacity:** The new classroom block has increased Horizon’s total classroom capacity from 700 to 880 students, enabling the school to continue admitting larger Senior One cohorts while preventing overcrowding.
- **Improved learning environment:** The additional classrooms provide spacious, well-ventilated learning spaces with natural lighting, creating a more conducive environment for teaching and learning. Reduced class sizes also support stronger student engagement and improved classroom management.
- **Sustainability:** Higher enrolment strengthens the school’s financial sustainability. Affordable school fees generated through increased student numbers contribute to operating costs and help reduce reliance on external funding.
- **Community confidence:** The completion of the classroom block has reinforced community trust in PEAS Horizon. Parents and local leaders continue to view the school as a reliable provider of quality secondary education, and demand for places remains strong.

Challenges

No significant challenges were encountered during implementation. The project was completed within the planned timeframe, and all components were delivered to specification.

Furniture and solar connectivity were installed following completion of painting and final finishing works in order to protect new desks and fittings and ensure the classrooms were handed over in excellent condition.

Detailed budgets and actual expenditure summary and comparison:

Activity	Proposed Cost GBP	Actual Cost GBP	Variance GBP	Explanation
Construction of a 3-classroom block	31,150	29,633	+1,517	Contracted slightly below the original budget due to favourable exchange rates at the time of procurement and competitive tendering, enabling the works to be delivered to full specification while achieving value for money.
Furniture for 3-classroom block	6,029	4,757	+1,272	Procured below the original budget through efficient procurement and competitive pricing from local suppliers, while maintaining the required quality and durability of desks and chairs.
Solar for 3-classroom block	3,015	2,914	+101	Minor saving realised through competitive procurement.
Preliminaries and clerk of works	2,814	2,118	+696	Costs were slightly lower than anticipated due to efficient project delivery and careful cost management throughout the construction period.



10% Programme Contribution	4,779	4,779	0	Provided as budgeted, supporting quality assurance and school improvement services.
TOTAL	47,787	44,201	+3,586	The overall underspend reflects favourable exchange rates and efficient procurement processes during implementation, while maintaining the full scope and quality of the project.

Budget notes: Due to favourable exchange rates and efficient procurement processes, the project concluded with an underspend of £3,586. All planned construction activities were completed to specification, and the classrooms are now fully operational.

Thanks to Fondation Eagle’s investment, enrolment at PEAS Horizon continues to grow. As the student body expands, the school hopes to expand its kitchen facilities to ensure meals can be prepared safely and efficiently for the increasing number of students and staff each day.

PEAS would welcome Fondation Eagle’s guidance on whether the remaining balance from this project could be used as a contribution towards this kitchen expansion, which would directly support the growing school community now benefiting from the new classrooms.

Results: The project has successfully delivered a 3-classroom block providing 180 additional learning spaces at PEAS Horizon Secondary School. The new facilities are fully operational and ready for the 2026 academic year, enabling the school to continue meeting demand from surrounding communities while maintaining safe and supportive learning conditions for students.

Follow up: PEAS has established strong systems to ensure the continued quality and sustainability of the new facilities. The classrooms are covered under a six-month defects liability period, during which the contractor will address any issues that may arise.

Following this period, the building will be incorporated into Horizon’s routine maintenance schedule. School leadership and staff have been trained to oversee ongoing upkeep, ensuring the infrastructure remains in good condition for years to come. PEAS’ Construction Engineer will visit the site regularly to ensure the building is well maintained.

Conclusion: The completion of the 3-classroom block at PEAS Horizon represents an important step in the school’s continued development. The project has enabled the school to expand its capacity while maintaining a safe and supportive learning environment for students.

Horizon is rapidly becoming one of the strongest schools in the PEAS Uganda network. Since joining PEAS in 2022, the school has achieved outstanding academic results and developed a vibrant school culture that encourages student leadership and creativity.

Students are actively involved in initiatives such as the Media Club, where learners document school life and produce short films on education and environmental topics, and the fruit tree project, which promotes environmental stewardship across the campus.

The new classroom block will allow Horizon to continue enrolling larger cohorts while maintaining high standards of teaching and learning. This expansion strengthens the school’s long-term



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sustainability and reinforces its role as a trusted centre of opportunity and excellence within the community.

Fondation Eagle's continued support has been instrumental in enabling PEAS to expand and strengthen our school network across Uganda. PEAS is deeply grateful for this partnership and the tangible difference it is making in the lives of young people and their communities.

Signature and date:

This report has been reviewed and approved by an authorised representative of Promoting Equality in African Schools (PEAS).

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Date: 10 March 2026

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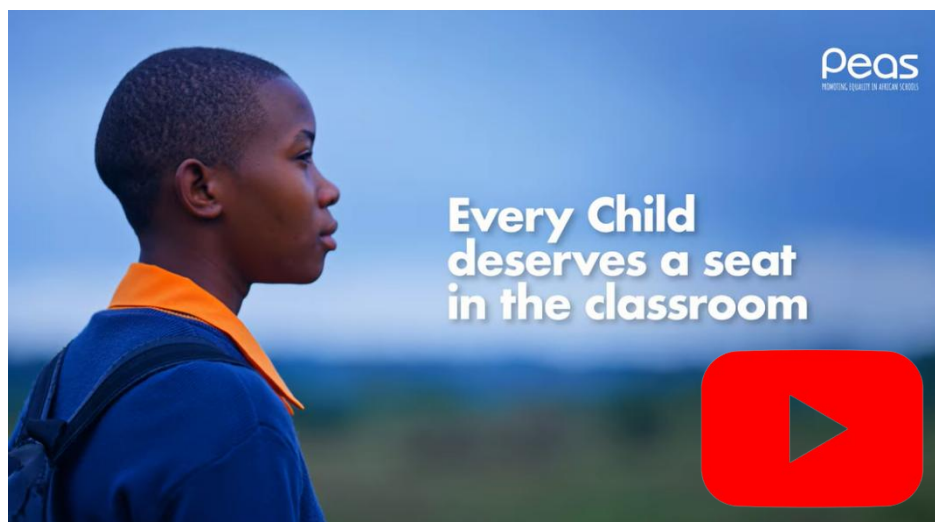


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To see the impact of your support first-hand, watch the short film below and meet Sanyu, a student at PEAS Horizon Secondary School. In this video, Sanyu shares her story and invites you to join her on her 5-kilometre journey to school, offering a glimpse into daily life for students and the difference that access to a PEAS education is making.



Thank you for your continued support!