

If it rains – which could last several days - school is out. During the long monsoon season, heavy rains cascade in through the dilapidated roof, flooding the two classrooms. The students have to sweep out the puddles before the class can resume. Frequent floods have destroyed all of the pupils' textbooks – the teacher uses the last remaining copy, painstakingly copying the day's lesson onto a faded blackboard.

There are only 3 benches in the school



The majority of students are forced to sit on the floor, severely hindering their ability to learn. In addition, the partition-wall between the two classrooms has collapsed, which makes running the two classrooms at the same time highly disruptive for both the teachers and students.

TSAGNORIA IS <mark>NOT</mark> AN EXCEPTIONAL CASE

Since the political crisis in 2009, national investment in education has plummeted by 82%. This has resulted in the slow decay of education infrastructure across Madagascar. The impacts are particularly severe in the isolated and vulnerable region of Anosy – situated in the southeast of the island and home to the rural community of Tsagnoria.

Unbelievably, at Tsagnoria, in spite of the abysmal conditions, the students continue to attend with a keen motivation to learn. The



state of the building and classroom, however, continues to crumble. Repairs and refurbishments are urgently required before the building becomes completely unusable.



Azafady has supported communities like Tsagnoria for more than **15 years**, and since 2006 has helped more than **14 communities** in southeast Madagascar to build a new school, and **6** to repair their existing school.

NOW, IT IS TSAGNORIA'S

TURN.

With your support, the school will be fitted with a **new roof**, **windows & doors**, a **new**

partition-wall between the two classrooms and the cracked and chipped walls will be rendered. 40 desks and benches and a new blackboard will be provided, and the refurbished building will be finished with a new coat of paint, helping to protect the clay bricks

against the harsh wind and rain; GIVING THE CHILDREN OF TSAGNORIA A

SCHOOL THEY CAN BE PROUD OF.

HOW THIS CAN HAPPEN:

- £8 will provide one bag of cement to render the walls
- £17 will provide one blackboard and a years supply of chalk
- £30 will provide a desk and bench for 4 students
- £65 will paint the interior walls of one classroom
- £132 will provide 10 aluminium roofing sheets to shelter the students

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I AM CALLING 'HELP' TO ANYONE WHO CAN HELP US REPAIR OUR SCHOOL

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