

## **Learning during COVID 19 Pandemic**

Schools in Uganda have remained closed for unforeseeable time till government feel it's safe to re-open. Learners have been out of school since late March 2020 and three months down the road, they are still not yet sure when classes will resume. The current number of COVID 19 positive cases in Uganda is steadily increasing with current number at 848 as on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

In a bid to keep learners engaged during this period, the government has introduced mechanism to keep children learning remotely. The media is being widely used to conduct lessons through radios and televisions for both the primary and secondary students.

This arrangement has greatly benefitted learners from urban settings as compared to their counterparts in the villages, like where Mifumi Primary School is found. Radios and televisions are luxuries to many and it's no doubt only a few homes can afford. Besides that, most villages are not connected to power and this makes it impossible to operate the equipment.

To keep our learners engaged, the school administration has embarked on preparing revision notes and printing them out for the pupils to revise. Distribution is done in a systematic way while observing Presidential guidelines on COVID 19, by communicating to parents on phone on the availability of the materials for pick up.

With this initiative in place, the school hopes to keep the learners engaged throughout the 'lockdown'.