



2023-2024

SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS GUIDE



ABOUT EDUSPOTS

EduSpots is a small but growing charity that exists to connect, train, and equip local volunteers who ignite change through education spaces called 'Spots'. We have trained and connected over 300 passionate 'Catalysts' like Nimatu (below) from 50 underserved communities in Ghana and Kenya who have recently passed through five regional training Academies, who support over 15,000 users each year.

In our communities, learning resources are scarce and classroom provision is variable. As one example relating to the low income context, volunteers report teenage pregnancy to be high, with many girls turning to sexual contact as a means of securing money for basic needs such as sanitary provision. However, our Catalysts are ready to be the solution.

The Spots are led and owned by community committees comprising local educational leaders, traditional leaders, political leaders, teachers, students, and parents. These committees build local volunteer teams who we connect centrally via WhatsApp, national and regional conferences, and our three leadership programmes.

Alongside opening the Spots as learning spaces, our Catalysts lead a range of clubs in early years development, literacy, STEM and sustainability education, and girls' empowerment, alongside locally designed projects, supported by our Ghanaian staff team, 50% of whom are drawn from the volunteer network. Together, we are building a movement of community educators.

We are proud of our innovative low-cost and community-led model which we believe could have applications across the world.

We were recognised with the Tes International Award in 2018, the Big Give Supporters' Choice Award in 2022, and were selected as a finalist for the Their World Scale-Up Innovation Prize in 2023. Our Founder was selected as a finalist for the \$1 million Global Teacher Prize in 2021 and is available for school-based talks.

We are a fully audited UK registered charity and a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) in Ghana. Email info@eduspots.org with any questions.



YOUR SCHOOL CAN PARTNER WITH A SPOT!

01. LEARN ABOUT A COMMUNITY AND SEE THE DIRECT IMPACT OF FUNDRAISING

We can partner you with one of our Spot communities, enabling your students to learn about the volunteer-led activities and the community context. .

02. STUDENTS CAN JOIN OUR AMBASSADORS' NETWORK AS VOLUNTEERS

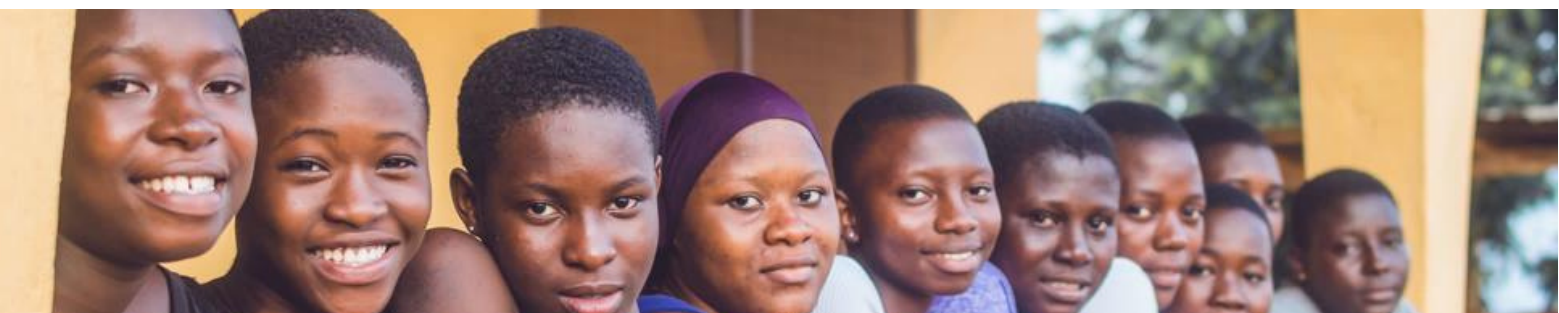
Students and/or staff can become EduSpots Ambassadors, with a structured and certificated opportunity to learn, act and reflect. Students build teams, promote our work more widely, fundraise and lead resource collections. This is perfect as a Duke of Edinburgh's Award or CAS project.

03. STUDENTS LEAD A SPOTS FOR EDUSPOTS DAY!

Lead a spot-themed home clothes day or event in support of one of our Spots. We can show you the direct impact of your funds, and our Founder is happy to give in-person talks or organise remote workshops with community volunteers. You could choose a UN international day: International Day of Education, World Book Day, or International Children's Day - we can provide you with learning resources for tutor group sessions or assemblies.

04. STUDENTS TAKE OUR ONLINE COURSES

We offer four six-week online courses in global development, postcolonial thinking, leadership and social entrepreneurship. Students from African and European contexts share ideas via our discussion board. Students who are fundraising can take these courses for free with certificates of pass, distinction and 'top in cohort' awarded. Read more about the curriculums at www.eduspots.org/online_courses.



WHAT COULD YOUR FUNDRAISING BE SPENT ON?

We really need your help in equipping and renovating our Spots across our relatively low-resource network. Unlike bigger charities, we are able to send you the direct impact of your fundraising for a particular 'Spot'. We can send photos of items in use and even give you direct understanding of the context and impact from local volunteers. Many of our Spots are still lacking basic resource and renovation support, as shown in the image below; yet our voluntary Catalysts continue to lead activities with remarkable passion and commitment!



A SHELF OF BOOKS BY AFRICAN AUTHORS

£100



A SET OF TABLES AND CHAIRS

£200



SIMPLE SPOT RENVOATION

£1,500



SUPPORTING A SPOT EXPANSION

£10,000



EDUSPOTS IN NUMBERS



50
EDUCATION SPACES

15,000
STUDENTS & ADULTS USING SPOTS

Under our community-led model, it costs us less than £5 to enable one student to access a Spot for an ENTIRE YEAR!!

255
TRAINED VOLUNTEERS

1000+
STUDENTS ENROLLED IN OUR CLUBS

Take a look at our website www.eduspots.org to find out more about our Spots, our remarkable Catalysts and our innovative community-driven model, or contact info@eduspots.org.

We work with: Wellington College, Eton College, African Science Academy, Sevenoaks School, Brighton College, Brentwood School, and many more schools in Ghana and beyond.

