



IRON GIRAFFE CHALLENGE

Help the Class of 2023 leave their mark of service by helping the people of South Sudan gain access to clean water!

As a class, the 7th graders will be reading [A Long Walk to Water](#) by Linda Sue Parks which brings to light the struggles, challenges, and illnesses that millions of people face in Sudan each day due to the lack of clean water. The main character, Salva Dut, recounts his own journey as he became one of the Lost Boys of Sudan and how he was able to turn his negative experience into a great positive.

Back in 2003, he founded the charity "Water for Sudan." Their mission is to deliver sustainable quality-of-life services to the people of South Sudan by efficiently providing access to clean, safe water, and improving hygiene and sanitation practices in areas of great need.

The 2022 Iron Giraffe Challenge calls on schools to each raise a minimum of \$1,000 toward a new drilling rig, with a goal to raise \$150,000 from all schools combined. All participating schools will be recognized, and all who complete the challenge will be entered in a drawing to win a visit with Salva Dut. Additional prizes will also be awarded, including Skype calls with Dut or Linda Sue Park, author of [A Long Walk to Water](#). There also will be a drawing for Skype calls with leaders of one of the drilling and rehab teams, Ater "Lion" Thiep and Ajang "AJ" Agok.

Please ask your child's teacher about how to donate and consider being involved in the different fundraising projects planned for the Iron Giraffe Challenge!

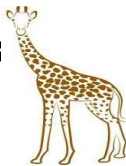
With all of our appreciation,

The Middle School Team

Click on the link below to find out more information about Salva!

<https://www.waterforsouthsudan.org/salvas-story>

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



*Faculty vs. Students Basketball Game

*Water Walk-a-thon

