

Hello everyone! With the year whizzing by, it is time again for our mid-year update.

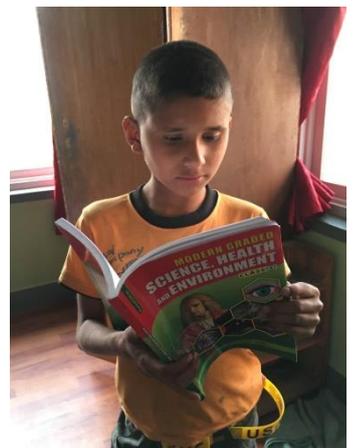


Sagar receiving his university supplies

April marked 12 months since the massive earthquakes shook Nepal. While some progress has been made in rebuilding the country, there is still a MASSIVE amount of work to be done. It gave us, as a committee, a chance to reflect on the generosity of our supporters, and how well the kids are doing, despite everything that has happened.

There were some very pleasing results from the children at Precious Public School, and our university students all thrived! Sagar, Sujeeta, Roshni and Radhika all passed their university exams, and we were thrilled to hear that, after a difficult and disappointing final year at school for Suresh, he has shown great determination and returned to studying. He is hoping to gain entrance to university to study business next year, while working part time!

Hopefully by now, you will all be familiar with the twins, Ram and Laxman. You may also remember from our December newsletter that last year, as part of our reintegration commitments, committee members met with Karmela, the twin's mum. With the combined support of Meg's and the Siddhi Memorial Hospital, where she now works, she has got her life back on track. Her eldest son has started school and is receiving extra tutoring. Your generosity has enabled us the change the lives of a whole family!



(L-R) Karmela in November 2015 and April 2016; the Twins 2012 and Ram in April 2016, all grown up!

Our family has also grown again this year, as we have taken on educational support of another two children. Trish visited the family on her most recent trip, and we are looking forward to seeing their progress. The committee is also looking forward to expanding our emergency care program as we move into new accommodation. Big plans are ahead!



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Meg's In March

Our latest fundraiser, Meg's in March, was a great success. A variety of events were held including a long lunch in the garden, a morning tea, an op shop fashion parade, an Eagles themed night and the sale of jam, chutney and relish. Over \$6000 was raised to continue to support our children in Nepal. A huge thank you to all who helped and supported these events.



(L-R) OpShop Fashion Parade, morning tea at the Hicks' and the long lunch. No photos of the jam or chutney, but it was delicious!

Upcoming Events

We are hoping to have another movie night in August, Gold Class naturally. Hopefully we will see you there. The committee is also hard at work planning and organising our major fundraiser for the year. This year we will be holding our annual extravaganza in Holbrook on October 15th. The food, fun and frivolity will be as enjoyable and spectacular as ever. Keep an eye out for more details!

Where your money goes

As always, 100% of funds raised goes straight to helping support our children. This covers education, health, housing, food and other essentials. We are really excited that we are able to support several of our young adults at university, including their accommodation and general expenses. However, each individual has to have a job to help supplement their expenses. It is gratifying to hear how well our kids are doing, despite the many hardships suffered during the last twelve months. They are all safe, happy and healthy. We are looking to support more younger children and their families. One of our biggest endeavours is to keep families together by supporting the family unit in their own home.

Don't forget we have a wonderful website at megschildren.org, as well as a Facebook page www.facebook.com/megschildren (or search for Meg's Children). Information on upcoming events and fundraisers can be found here, so if you haven't already, like us on Facebook.

If you need any information that you cannot find on the website or Facebook page, feel free to email us at megschildren@hotmail.com.au. Pass this newsletter, or our information, on to anyone you think may be interested—many hands make light work!

A huge thanks to everyone who has supported us so far this year. It is your ongoing generosity that makes all of this possible, and the support you give makes a massive difference in the lives of these children.

We hope you stay warm for the rest of the winter, and look forward to seeing you at a function in the very near future!

Meg's Children Committee.



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