TARA CHILDREN'S PROJECT NEWSLETTER - MAY 2017

It's that time of the year again! Time to let everyone know what we have been up to at TCP! The last couple of months have been very busy. Art projects, macrame projects, visits from volunteers, birthdays, Jyoti going to Summer School in The States, and so many blessings!

JYOTI IS GOING TO SUMMER SCHOOL



Jyoti Kumari, 17

Jyoti, one of our girls, has been granted the opportunity to go overseas.

Through Dr. Leslie Jaffe, Smith College has kindly offered Jyoti a scholarship for a one month Precollege Progam of studies in July-August: two weeks on "By Girls, for Girls", Dr Jaffe's course on global young women's health, and two weeks on "Anatomy in Motion: An Inquiry into Exercise Science". We wish Jyoti the best of luck!

BLESSINGS

We have been blessed very generously the last couple of months. We ran a campaign for a new fridge, and through the kindness of our supporters we were able to buy a brand new one, which we are extremely thankful for. This is keeping us cool during the hot summer. We also received a financial donation which allowed us to stock up on hygiene items, new towels, etc. This will last us a while, and we are very thankful for the opportunity we had to buy these items.

WALL PAINTINGS

We were fortunate enough to do two beautiful wall paintings with the assistance of two different volunteers. Our first painting, with the help of Karma Barnes, was done at the TCP entrance. The second painting was done in the TCP garden, and we had Anabela from Ecuador who assisted us with this. The paintings brighten up our home, and we had a lot of fun doing them!



Left: Karma and her painting. Right; Anabela and the jungle-themed painting

VOLUNTEERS

We had a couple of volunteers from across the world, and we would like to say thank you to each one of them. They shared their time, skills and love with us, and they will always have a special place in our hearts and are always welcome to visit us again. For anyone willing to volunteer, please visit the <u>volunteer page</u> for more information.

MACRAME

Felipe, a very special guest, spent six months with us, teaching us the art of macrame. We formed a macrame group, with children dedicated to making macrame pieces, and the pieces were put on display at Root Institute as gifts for the guests. The guests were very impressed with the macrame works, and they gave very generous donations for the pieces. After Felipe left, the kids decided that they wanted to donate all the funds they received through the macrame donations. They bought gifts for the TCP carers and house managers, and enjoyed the warm feeling of giving to others.



Macrame pieces and mandalas made

DONATIONS

With donations and sponsors being our only source of income, we would heartily welcome any kind of support or donation. For anyone interested in donating, please visit our donation page. We also have an Amazon Wishlist with items we need, and is being updated frequently.

THANK YOU

The TCP team would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been contributing to our organisation, whether it is through a financial contribution, contributing time by volunteering or by sharing our story and creating awareness. The kindness and generosity of our supporters is what has been making it possible to come this far. Please don't forget to follow our Facebook Page to stay up to date with what's happening at TCP. Until the next newsletter! ©