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# Newsletter



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# Back to School!



There are many reasons why children don't attend school in Cambodia but the primary cause is usually related to poverty. Many families have difficulty meeting the cost of school uniforms, bags, books and stationery. AllKids provides students with all the materials that they need and the team works closely with 4 local public schools to financially assist vulnerable families, allowing even the most underprivileged children access to education.



In February this year, AllKids provided

502  
kids

with the items needed to attend school.

# Domestic Violence

in January, AllKids' affiliate, M'Lop Tapang (MT), held a workshop for our students and their parents at K'Bal Hong Village.

The workshop focused on preventing domestic violence, human trafficking, sexual exploitation, and explained the laws and rights of children and women.

Representatives from over 50 local families attended and were totally engaged. A huge thanks to the MT staff for sharing their knowledge and experience with us all.



# Internet Safety



Recently our Senior Programs Manager, Sophat, held a workshop for 'Safer Internet Day'. With over 45% of users having been exposed to some sort of cyber-harassment, and children often being the target of malicious activity, AllKids aims were to raise students' awareness of keeping posts positive and avoiding potential harm to others; training students on staying safe online from cyberbullying, online predators and exposure to inappropriate content; and how to deal with online friends that we do not know.



# ChildSafe Training



Hundreds of millions of children are pushed onto the margins of society around the world and this number is increasing. ChildSafe works to protect children and youth who are living and working on the streets, using drugs, are migrants, or in conflict with the law, victims of abuse, involved in the sex trade, school drop-outs or unemployed, living in poverty or affected in any other way that prevents them from having their internationally recognized rights as children fulfilled. Children and youth living on the margins of society are exposed to many abuses, from physical and emotional violence to sexual exploitation, forced labor or lack of access to health care and education.

As the team at AllKids work with vulnerable youth and their families, staff were trained by ChildSafe experts so they can take part in child protection by knowing rights of children and understanding the different types of abuse and how to spot them in order to quickly act upon suspected violence against children.



# Importance of Oral Hygiene

AllKids dental program has a high focus on prevention with the kids cleaning their teeth daily on arrival at our centres.

In Cambodia, by the time a child reaches five years old, they often have multiple teeth which show advanced decay and many children have never brushed their teeth.

Our recent class focusing on our younger students, raised awareness on how to keep their oral health in good condition and when they need to see the dentist.



# Primary School Water Supply

With the Coronavirus precautions, the Ministry of Education has asked all schools to provide hand washing facilities to students and staff.

At Ream Primary School, AllKids has constructed a 4-meter-high concrete stand and 5,000 liter plastic water tank, adjacent to the hand bore pump for the water supply.

This has supplied water to 2 x 3 metre hand wash basins and flushing toilets to more than 500 children and 20 teachers at the school.



# WE NEED YOUR HELP!

AllKids is currently looking for donations for the following new projects.



## SUNDAY PROJECT

Public primary schools in Cambodia do not offer any sport, art or performance programs and children simply stay at home on Sundays. AllKids believes that these activities are critical to the healthy development of children and encourages team work, cooperation, innovation and creativity.

We are currently planning the opening of our Sunday Programme to get kids involved in these valuable activities. Donations for this project will go towards local salaries for teachers and nannies.

## REAM PRIMARY SCHOOL WASH HAND BASINS

As mentioned previously, to ensure good hygiene practices in schools, the Ministry of Education has asked schools to install facilities to wash hands.

Now AllKids has installed a reliable water supply, we are seeking donations to construct a large communal hand washing facility. This will be built outside, adjacent the bathrooms, to provide space for students and staff to maintain safe conditions for Covid-19.

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# Village Classes & Home Study Program



Although our learning centres are closed due to Coronavirus, the teachers are very busy delivering daily classes, with a maximum of 5 students, in several villages throughout Ream Commune.

Every week, all 500 students on our "Kids to School" program receive the following classes:



2 x  
Khmer  
Literacy



2 x  
English



1 x  
Maths



## Village Classes & Home Study Program



We're also giving each child a weekly home study pack that they can complete in their own time, which teachers mark afterward. We maintain very strict safety and hygiene protocols and the kids and their families are very appreciative of our efforts.

However, the cost of providing this service to the children long-term is proving to be a challenge. If you would like to support this project or for more information about sponsoring the education of a disadvantaged child, please get in touch with Paul ([paul@allkids.org.au](mailto:paul@allkids.org.au)).



# Emergency Food Packs

Throughout 2020, Cambodia was fortunate enough to have avoided severe infection rates and there were zero deaths. However, since February 2021 cases have been rising with new cases increasing daily. A serious economic shock is taking place with many of the most disadvantaged families' livelihoods lost, pushing many people further into poverty. Closed borders, severe lockdowns and strict curfews have stopped local vendors, tuktuk drivers, and beach scavengers earning an income.

AllKids are now distributing food packages to the families in need during this period of economic crisis.



## Emergency Food Packs

Twice a week, rice, bread, eggs, tinned fish, and fresh fruit and vegetables are delivered to 35 families in Ream commune who have lost all income.

Please consider becoming a regular donor or make a one-off donation to help us provide for the children and their families during this emergency. A donation from you today will guarantee that the poorest families have food to eat and will not fall further into poverty.



**\$25**

will provide:  
40 kg rice to be distributed across our most vulnerable families

**\$50**

will provide:  
enough food to feed a child for 4 weeks

**\$100**

will provide  
a family of 5 emergency food packs for 15 days



# International Children's Day

Despite the AllKids Learning Centres being closed due to Coronavirus, we still provide care for a few children from the local dump who are considered very vulnerable. On International Children's Day, these children enjoyed special activities including painting colourful murals on the walls of the Learning Centre, and lots of fun games and snacks. Our teachers also provided books, crayons and colouring sheets to students in the villages.

Watch our YouTube video via the link below to see our celebrations on the day!

[www.youtube.com/AllKids-International-Childrens-Day](https://www.youtube.com/AllKids-International-Childrens-Day)



# Family Support



Sreytouch, the AllKids Day Care Houses manager, has been providing older women in Smach Deng and Toek Sap villages with materials they need to make hammocks. With this they are able to earn extra income and improve the family's finances. Fabric is recycled and provided by our friends at Horseware.



In June, AllKids always celebrate "B Kinder Day" to inspire children to make a difference through human kindness, compassion and empathy. This year, AllKids staff helped a poor family repair and enlarge their small wooden house to ensure that the children will stay safe and dry through the rainy season. Our vulnerable kids at the Day Care House painted a rainbow to remind them to be kind everyday.







# Staff Training

Training is important at AllKids to ensure the best quality education to the kids we teach. In preparation for village classes, our Junior Programs Supervisor, Sdoeung, held a training session to ensure teachers could deliver clear and confident mathematics lessons to some of the younger kids while working remotely. During May all teachers worked tremendously hard with the research of worksheets, games and study materials in preparation for the small classes which are now being conducted in the villages.

Cambodia experienced extraordinarily hot weather from January to April this year. To keep children safe from kidney problems, AllKids General Manager, Sophal, held a Dehydration Workshops with 15 staff educating them on the importance of drinking water and ensuring the kids stay safe in the heat.



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## TEACHING RESOURCES

So far this year, much of our resources and effort have been focused on maintaining educational services to children during the pandemic. As you will have read, this included remote lessons for all 500 students on the "Kids to School" program spanning across the 100 square kilometers of Ream Commune, plus food donations to vulnerable families without income, among many other services.

As a result, we are now running low on vital teaching resources, including laptops for the teachers. We are asking for your help in providing the basics that are often overlooked, but essential in educating the children.

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## THE MANE EVENT: CHARITY HEAD SHAVE, CRAZY HAIR COLOURS AND MORE!

The wonderful Keryn Bache, AllKids Australian Administrator, will be shaving her head, and more supporters will be dying their hair to raise money for AllKids! The event info is below:

**SATURDAY 28TH AUGUST 2021 | 1 PM TO 4 PM  
JARMER'S KITCHEN, 18 PARK TERRACE, BOWDEN**

**TICKETS COST \$50 PER HEAD  
AND INCLUDE WOODOVEN PIZZA + GRAZING  
TABLE, COMPLIMENTARY GLASS OF BUBBLY,  
AND CLAYMORE WINES TASTING.**

We will send more information on how to purchase tickets in July!

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# Community Medical Project

This quarter we had multiple visits to our partner NGOs – Children’s Surgical Centre and Mercy Medical Centre in Cambodia’s capital city, Phnom Penh. AllKids students or their family members who required medical treatment were given the help which they could not afford on their own. Cases ranged from breathing difficulties to kidney problems and all were provided with specialised care which otherwise would have gone untreated. By providing this important medical support, it allows children to concentrate on their education, instead of caring for sick parents or having to work to support the family.



# Village Classes Continue!

Here in Cambodia, schools have been closed on and off since March 2020. A team of 14 AllKids teachers conduct 175 lessons every week throughout nine different villages!

In the last 6 months AllKids have conducted almost...

 **4,000 lessons!** 

Whilst we wish we could have the kids attending our Learning Centres, the village classes are keeping the children engaged and maintaining their education. We are **SO** proud of the teachers for braving torrential rain and mud during Cambodia's rainy season! Please watch our latest video to see the team in action by following the link below.

[www.youtube.com/allkidsvillageclasses](https://www.youtube.com/allkidsvillageclasses)





# AllKids Day Care House Re-opens



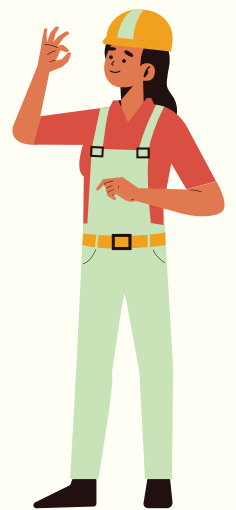
Many young children who attend AllKids Day Care centre live on the local rubbish dump where they scavenge for recyclables with their families to earn money. We have now been able to allow 37 of these children, as well as our most vulnerable young kids in the community, back into our day care house. This means we can ensure they have showered and cleaned their teeth, receive vital nutrition with 2 meals a day, keep them hydrated and monitor their health as well as providing education.



# Improving Public Schools

With the success of Cambodia's vaccination campaign, we are busy working with local public schools to prepare them for re-opening. To ensure safety of the students once they return, some of the work which AllKids maintenance team have done includes...

- serviced water supply systems to ensure clean drinking water, efficient handwashing facilities, and toilet flushing water,
- repaired damaged toilet blocks,
- serviced structural problems with classroom buildings





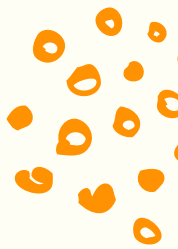


## The Brave Shave...

Many of you will know AllKids Administrator - Keryn Bache. In August, Keryn held an event where her hair was shaved into a mohawk to raise money for AllKids. The day was a huge success and over \$5000 was raised to support the AllKids mobile dental project. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped to make the event so brilliant!



## AllKids Staff are ALL Fully Vaccinated!



AllKids staff are all fully vaccinated! In Cambodia more than 10 million people are fully vaccinated including a big proportion of 12 - 18 year olds. This will allow children attending educational facilities to study in safety.

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# New Learning Centre!

Introducing our new learning centre! Prek Trabaek is a remote village where the closest public school is almost 20 kilometers away. The children that live in this area didn't receive any kind of formal education until AllKids began operating here. In December 2021, the learning centre officially opened teaching English, Khmer, IT and maths.

So far...

**50  
KIDS**

have enrolled and are now attending classes taught by 3 fantastic Cambodian teachers.

A small tractor with a cart on the back, called a 'kou yon' in Cambodia, operates as a school bus and takes the children to and from their homes to the centre. Watch the video below of the Prek Trabaek Learning Centre open day!

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH PREK TRABAEK VIDEO](#)



# Walk for a kinder world



November 13th is World Kindness Day and AllKids walked with a purpose - to spread kindness!

In partnership with our wonderful supporters, Fly High Billie, students prepared baskets of fruit - a luxury which most families cannot afford, and walked around Ream to give them to the village elders and nuns at the pagoda.

The kids also performed traditional Cambodian 'wishing words' used in Buddhism to connect with others through compassion and kindness.

Watch the video below to see more about the day!

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH KINDNESS VIDEO](#)



# Self Defense Training

As many of the AllKids team work in the community we want them to feel safe. All of the staff took part in an empowering self protection training, building confidence, self respect and awareness of surroundings. As well as these skills the team got to work together and increase their teamwork with one another.





# Christmas at AllKids

This year to celebrate the festivities AllKids students took part in a sports day with football matches, egg & spoon races, obstacle courses and more! Six Senses, a local luxury resort, even surprised the kids with Santa and delivered special lunch boxes for the children. You can watch a video with highlights of the day below. The younger children on AllKids day care program who live at the local dump had a day at the beach and enjoyed traditional Cambodian games, dancing, and even swimming in the sea!

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH SPORTS DAY VIDEO](#)







# Things to Celebrate

2021 has been a rollercoaster year for AllKids with challenging times as well as new highs. Here are some of the things we have to celebrate...

30

vulnerable dump kids  
cared for

1600

food packages delivered  
with over 8000 kg of rice

ALL

of our learning  
and day care  
centres are back  
open and Covid  
safe

NEW

Prek Trabaek  
Learning  
Centre  
opened!

40

AllKids staff  
fully vaccinated  
(that's all of  
us!)

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH END OF YEAR VIDEO](#)

Happy New Year from  
Everyone at AllKids!

# WE NEED YOUR HELP!

AllKids is currently looking for donations to purchase computers for the kids.



For the past 18 months, much of our resources and efforts have been focused on maintaining educational services during the pandemic as well as providing essential food donations to vulnerable families without income.

We are thrilled to be able to open the learning centres again and receive exceptionally high student numbers, but we are now running low on **vital resources**. To help with the increasing children, we are asking for your help in providing computers. Without these, many of our students wouldn't be able to take part in the Future School program where they follow an international curriculum and learn English at a higher level.

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