



# SUPPORTING DALIT CHILDREN

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### *Easter 2022 Newsletter*

Dear Friends,

I hope that you are keeping safe and well and that life is getting back to some normality for you. Dinah has asked me to write this newsletter on her behalf as they have recently lost their dear son, Patrick, known to everybody as Paddy, in a tragic accident whilst in France. I am sure you will join me in sending our sincere condolences to them both and their family at this difficult time.

We continue to be bowled over by your generosity for ‘Supporting Dalit Children’. One example, of many that really touched us, was Charlotte from Edinburgh, who raised £300 in December on a cycle challenge to raise funds for a Dalit girl’s education. I was so delighted to think that someone at the tender age of 16 took it upon herself to do this, thank you Charlotte.

#### **New Website!**

Many of you have probably already taken a peek at our new website. Dinah was so proud and excited to launch this a couple of weeks ago. If you have not seen it, please take a look here:

<https://supportingdalitchildren.com/>



We cannot thank our volunteer, Rachel Alexander, enough for her work on this website, it has been a major project which she has worked on tirelessly for several months. I am sure that you will join

me in congratulating her on her achievement, together with Karl, our freelance web developer at Prolifik for helping us with all the technical updates (<https://prolific.co.uk>).

We now have such a colourful, informative website. We are grateful to those of you that have already sent in your comments and Rachel has taken these on board to improve the site even more. Keep the comments coming in!



Supporting Dalit Children has been successful over the years and we are always transparent with our costs. None of the charity's funds have been used to cover this new website, it has been done by volunteers and a generous donation.

There is lots of information about our appeals, alongside many heart-warming stories. Children in need of sponsorship have their own dedicated page too.



### Drinking Water Project

This project is one we continue to support, supplying drinking water to remote villages. This project is quite literally a life saver. Since the launch of our new website we have been able to share photos like this one and share the plight of families, which has resulted in further donations being sent in for this cause. Thank you!

This is an ongoing need and quite simply, the more support we can give, the more families will benefit from clean water.



### From Sponsor Parents

I wrote to several sponsor parents asking them if they would write a piece for the new website about how they got involved with 'Supporting Dalit Children' and what it meant to them. I was amazed at the response and how appreciative you all are for the work that Dinah and Peter do for the charity. Sponsor parents love to receive the beautiful cards at Christmas and Easter and hear news about the children they sponsor. My grateful thanks to those of you who participated in this. Take a look at the experiences from students, teachers and visitors too.

### Khammam Health Centre

Dinah was recently contacted by Sister Sujatha who has heard about our work and is appealing to us to help fund a Medical Doctor. She writes: 'I was happy to know about you and your love for the poor people through Sister Julie. We are six sisters in this Community and among us two of them are Nurses and one Sister is trained as Pharmacist. We are running a five

bedded health centre. For the past four years we have been struggling to run the Hospital without a Medical Doctor. At present it is an urgent need to get a doctor to our Health Centre. We will be grateful if you could find a sponsor who can help us to pay the salary of the medical Doctor for at least two years'.

Should anyone wish to join Dinah in supporting the wonderful work that these Sisters do and this plea for help, then please contact her direct at [info@supportingdalitchildren.com](mailto:info@supportingdalitchildren.com)

### Science Day, Kapepaladi School



A Science Exhibition was held in March to encourage the children to be creative and inquisitive, as well as to enhance the students' knowledge, making learning a fun experience. Forty-nine students took part, they were given the opportunity to make a project or working model with their own hands and present them on Science Day. They worked together in groups, shared experiences and co-operated with each other, with some fantastic results.



The students had a wonderful time, each giving his or her best. Our grateful thanks to Sister Reena for sharing this information with us. Kapepaladi School invited experts from the field of science to judge the competition and students from neighbouring schools were invited to visit the exhibition.



Wishing you all a very happy, peaceful, joyous and healthy Easter.

Julie Pridmore (On behalf of Dinah and Peter)

p.s. Dinah is still waiting for the Easter cards from the sponsored children to arrive from India, she has the cards from the Manvi school sponsorships but not the Kapepaladi school sponsorships. As soon as these arrive we will post them to you.