

Sunrise Children's Association Inc.

"Bringing a brighter future to Nepal's children in need"



Newsletter April-June 2022

Kalikadevi Community Managed School Program

Dear Kinderfonds,

We are glad to share our **second quarterly newsletter of 2022**, featuring news of the students and their activities in the **Kalikadevi Community Managed School Program**.



The second quarter of 2022 was the end of the current academic year. **Basic level Examination (BLE), Secondary School Examination (SEE) and other annual exams** were held in this quarter.

Find out more about our work and progress for this quarter which continues to help Kalika school to operate with better quality education and enable us to bring brighter futures for the vulnerable children of Nepal.

Key highlights of this quarter:

- SCAI funded teacher continues improving the quality of education
- Annual exams, results and class toppers
- Typhoid vaccination
- Booster dose COVID19 vaccination
- Extra-Curricular activities
- Female and *dalit* scholarship
- Awareness programs and celebrations

- Child club reformation
- Book distribution program
- Welcoming new RM Ward Chairperson
- Sharing, review meeting between Kalika and SCAI/SO Nepal

SCAI funded teacher continues to help improve the quality of education

Mr Purshottam Rimal, SCAI-funded teacher for Kalika is teaching 6 periods per day; accounting and moral science to classes 9 and 10, Occupation, Business and Technology Education (OBTE) and moral science to class 8 and maths to class 7.

A total of **61 students** are directly benefiting from his teaching across classes 7-10.



Above: Mr Purshottam Rimal teaching in one of his classes

The Annual Exams and Results

171 students appeared for exams from Nursery to class 9 and a further 7 students sat for their final Secondary Education Exams (SEE).



Above: Kalika students sitting their final exams

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Secondary School Examination (SEE)

In Nepal, **Secondary School (year 10) is still officially the final year of school.** Most students continue to college (year 11 and 12) these days, but most often college is a separate institution.

SEE is conducted by the National Examination Board. This year due to Covid, it was held from 22nd April to 1st May 2022. **A total of 7 students (2 boys and 5 girls)** sat their exams this year and they all passed, which was a great result given the short year and many interruptions caused by Covid.

This was the 9th group of students to have the opportunity to complete Secondary School at Kalika thanks to the support of SCAI in extending the school from class 8 to 10 and adding English medium in 2013.

1. Laxmi Tamang obtained 65 % (1st division)
2. Manika Lama scored 64% (1st div)
3. Sundar Tamang 55% (2nd div)
4. Sumana Tamang 57.5% (2nd div)
5. Rabi Tamang 49% (3rd div)
6. Muna Gole 62.5% (1st div)
7. Simrika Tamang 47.5% (3rd div)



Above; SEE students of Kalika 2022

Basic Level Examination (BLE)

Class 8 exam (BLE) is conducted by the office of the Rural Municipality (RM). BLE was held from 12th April to 20th April 2022 this year. **A total of 11 students (4 boys and 7 girls)** from Kalika sat their BLE this year.



Above; BLE (year 8) batch of 2022

Class toppers receive encouragement awards

We congratulate the below students on their grand success and scoring top position in their respective classes. We wish them a bright future and further success in their academic endeavors. All students who topped their class received an encouragement award in recognition of their efforts;

1. Manisha Shrestha of class Nursery
2. Supriya Tamang of class UKG
3. Sakshya Tamang of class One
4. Sashika Tamang of class Two
5. Sushila Mizar of class Three
6. Kusum Tamang of class Four
7. Shiva Shankar Rana of class-Five
8. Sumina Tamang of class Six
9. Joshna Rana of class Seven
10. Laxmi Tamang of class Eight
11. Alisha Gurung of class Nine

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Above: Manisha Shrestha, 1st in Nursery



Above: Sushila Mizar, 1st in class-3



Above: Supriya Tamang, 1st in UKG



Above: Kusum Tamang, 1st in class-4



Above: Saksha Tamang, 1st in class 1



Above: Shiva Shankar Rana, 1st in class-5



Above: Sashika Tamang, 1st in class-2



Above: Sumina Tamang, 1st in class-6

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Above: Joshna Rana, 1st in class-7



Above: Laxmi Tamang 1st in class-8



Above: Alisha Gurung, 1st in class-9

Typhoid vaccination

The typhoid vaccination program was held at Kalika School on 20th April 2022. Altogether **200 children were vaccinated** from the age of 15 months to 17 years old by the Nepal Government. Out of 200 children, 30 were community children who don't attend Kalika school.



Above and below: Typhoid vaccination program



Booster dose COVID19 vaccination

A booster dose of the COVID 19 Moderna vaccine was provided to **78 students** from the age of 12 to 17 years on 19th June 2022. This vaccine was also provided by Nepal Government.



Above: Booster dose of COVID 19 vaccination program

Extra-Curricular activities

A **handwriting competition** was organized at Kalia School on 4th June 2022. Children from Nursery to class 10 took part in this program, with one winner from each class awarded a token of encouragement.

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Above: Winners of handwriting competition from respective classes.

Scholarship distribution program to girls and dalit students

Girls and 'Dalits', who are known as the lowest 'caste' in Nepal and are often still marginalized in society. In recognition of this, the Nepal Government provided a small contribution to their education of NPR400 per student.



Awareness Programs and celebrations

World Day against child labour

To recognize this special occasion on the 12th June, speeches were delivered by the teachers highlighting why this day is marked, and the importance of the day. **Key Child club members of Kalika School also highlighted the importance of the day and why children need education and why they should not be sent to child labour.**



Above: World Day against child labour

World Environment Day

World Environment Day was celebrated at Kalika School with the **planting of trees and flowers in the school grounds.**



Above: World Environment Day celebration

Child club reformation

The Kalika school child club was reformed on 23rd June 2022 in presence of Kalika School principal Mr. Krishna Kumar Shrestha and former Kalika school child club president Ms Kopila Gurung. **An 11-member child committee was elected** under the chairmanship of Mr. Kiran Tamang.

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Above: Child Club Reformation Program



Above: Handover/takeover program between former child club chairperson and newly elected chairperson
Book Distribution Program

Kalika School distributed school textbooks to all students this quarter for the new school year which started in May. Most of the books are now provided by the government of Nepal in line with the syllabus.



Above: A student receiving books from a school teacher.

Welcoming the new Rural Municipality Ward Chairperson

Kalika School organized a welcome program for

the newly elected RM ward Chairperson, Mr. Bishnu Shrestha on 25th May 2022. Mr Dawang Tamang, Kalika School Management Committee chairperson and the entire Kalika family welcomed him and wished for his successful tenure.



Above: Mr Bishnu Shrestha newly elected RM chairperson with the school principal and SMC chairperson

Sharing, review meeting between Kalika and SO Nepal/SCAI

The principal, vice principal, SMC chairperson, SO Program Manager, Sunrise Home Management Officer and SCAI Country Manager participated in the meeting, held on 27th June. The team discussed key matters regarding the running of the school, Sunrise Home children's performance in school etc.

THANK YOU for your continued support which is changing the lives of the children of the **Kalikadevi Community Managed School Program** and helping the children to follow their dreams and create brighter futures for themselves.

Emma (CEO)
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Bishnu (Livelihood Development Officer)

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