

Newsletter July-September 2024

Kalika Education Scholarship Program (Host Community Support)

Dear Kinderfonds,

We are pleased to share the September 2024 Newsletter containing the news and progress of the **16 children** in the 'Host Community Support Program" in Kalika School, Shivapuri RM, Nuwakot District.



Key Highlights of this Quarter

- 22 home monitoring visits
- 4 school monitoring visits
- Distribution of scholarship materials
- Child Progress
 - First term exam results
- Career Counselling Orientation
- School Activities
- Case Stories

Home visits

This quarter, we conducted **22 home visits.** We monitored the overall wellbeing of the children by meeting them, their guardians, other family members and neighbours where possible. We also made several more phone calls to provide further support.



Above: Jenisha during home visit



Above: Ramina during home visit



Above: Supriya during home visit



Above: Bimali with mother during home visit



Above: Niraj during home visit



Above: Nirmala during home visit



Above: Puspa during home visit



Above: Shreekrishna during home visit



Above: Shyamraj during home visit



Above: Laxmi during home visit



Above: Yonika with mother during home visit



Above: Bimala during home visit

School visits

This quarter we organised **4 visits to Kalika Secondary School** where our host community children study (built by SCAI). We met with sponsored children, class teachers, and the school principal during the school visit to monitor the overall educational performance of our sponsored children including their school attendance, and participation in extracurricular activities.



Above: Sponsorship children during Kalika Secondary School Visit



Above: Shreekrishna, Niraj and Shyamraj during School Visit



Above: Ashmita during School Visit



Above: Ramina during School Visit



Above: Bimali during School Visit



Above: Bimala during School visit



Above: Jenisha during School Visit



Above: Panjimaya Secondary School



Above: Pushpa during School Visit



Above: Supriya during School Visit



Above: Nirmala during School Visit

Distribution of school materials

We distributed notebooks, pens and pencils to all 15 students this quarter. 1 student was absent from school on the day of distribution so provided afterwards.



Above: Laxmi with educational materials



Above: Sponsored children with school materials



Above: Raminta with school materials

Child Progress

First-Term Exams Results

This quarter, the first-term results were published.

Summary of results:

- 11 Passed 6 in 2nd Div, 5 in 3rd Div
- 1 Failed
- 4 N/A (1 in grade 11, 1 did not sit, 2 failed SEE and their exam not held).

Career Counselling Orientation

We organised a **"Career Counselling"** orientation for youth from class 8-11 in September. The orientation highlighted career opportunities in different sectors such as the Army, Police, Civil Service, Medical, Bank, corporations, Information

Technology, Schools, and NGO/INGOs includina entrepreneurship and selfemployment. Senior officers from respective sectors facilitated the orientation and oriented the vouths regarding the recruitment criteria and other prerequisites for these sectors. 25 youth (16 girls and 9 boys) participated in this orientation.



Above: Career Counselling Orientation

Children's Day Celebration

Nepal signed the Convention on the Rights of Children on 14th September and this day has been marked as Children Day in Nepal since 2006. Kalika Devi Secondary School (where our sponsored 13 children have been studying) organised National Children's Day on 14th September with a speech competition.



Above: National Children's Day Celebration

Teej Celebration

A *Teej* program was held at Kalika Devi Secondary School in September with cultural activities. Teej is a special day for women in Nepal. Women gather in groups and perform dance and singing, and worship god for the good health and long life of their spouse or for the unmarried, to find a good husband in the future.



Above: Teej Celebration in Kalika Secondary School

Learn and Earn Training

Kalika Devi School organised 11 days of learn and earn training for the students of classes 9 and 10 and their parents during September. Participants learnt to prepare souvenirs from waste items. This training was organised with the funding of the Rural Municipality.



Above: Learn and Earn Training

Case study Child Progress



Supriya Tamang studies in grade 8 currently. She **lost her father** in 2022, after which her mother started drinking alcohol. They have only a small piece of land where their home is built, but it is not enough for farming. Due to her alcohol addiction, Supriya's mother became ill, and her family condition became even worse.

Her **younger brother dropped out of school** and left home to work. Supriya was very interested in studying but was not able to afford educational essentials due to her family condition. After being selected for an education scholarship by SCAI **she passed grade 7 in 1st division** and is now in class 8. **She aims to become a teacher** in the future.

We want to thank you sincerely for your generous support and long-term commitment, and for enabling these students to continue their studies and pursue their future goals.

Emma (CEO) and the SCAI Nepal team SCAI Australia/Nepal