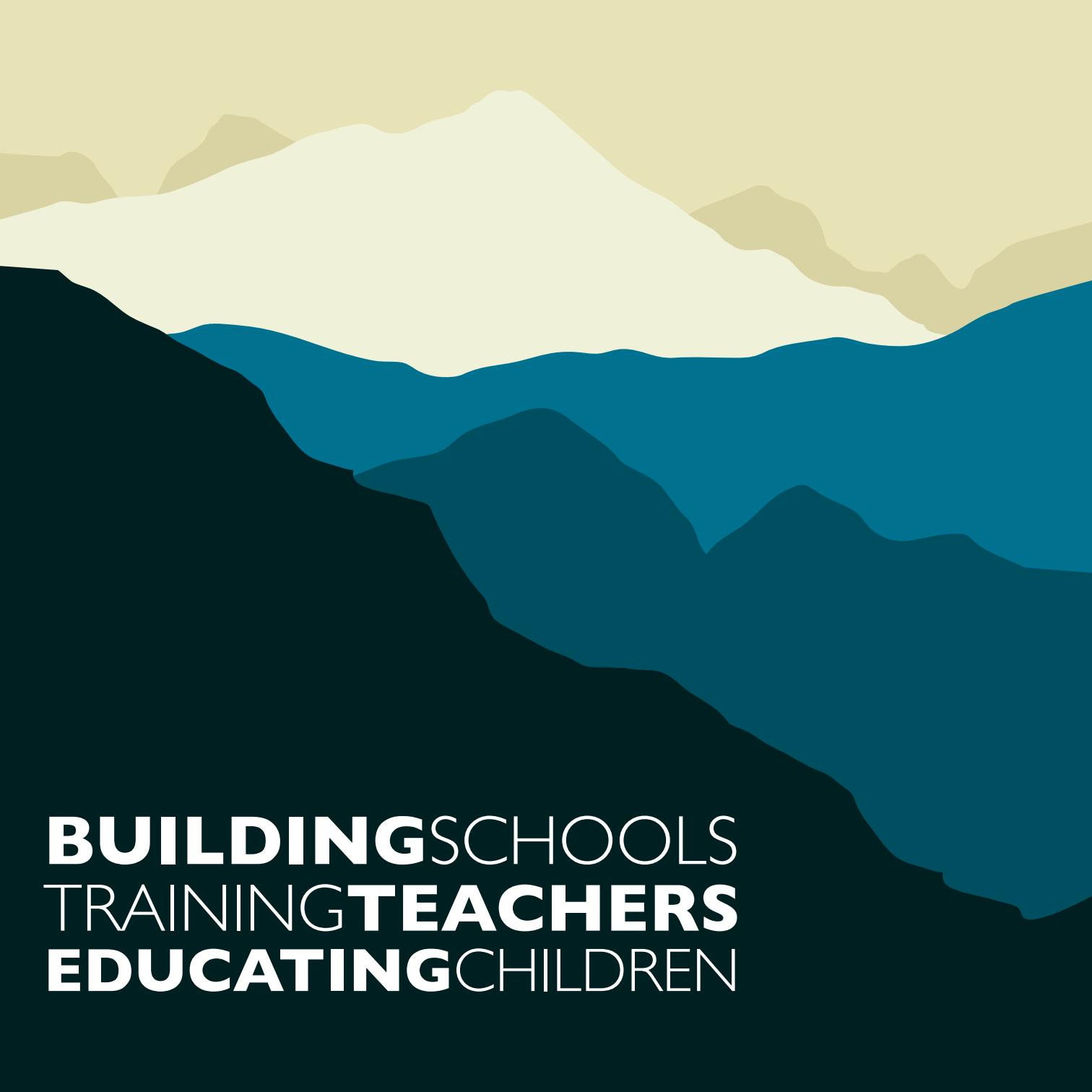


CHILDREN
OF
THE MOUNTAIN





BUILDINGSCHOOLS
TRAINING**TEACHERS**
EDUCATINGCHILDREN



A little bit about us...

Children of the Mountain is a UK registered charity, regulated by the UK charity's commission.

Our aim is to support the poorest children in rural Nepal, providing them opportunity through education and personal development.

We actively campaign against gender and caste bias and promote education as a practical alternative to rampant child labour.

We advocate for investment in and directly invest in child centered education as a critical and effective tool in the fight against extreme poverty in rural communities.



MISSION STATEMENT

Children of the Mountain is committed to supporting rural communities in Nepal by providing educational infrastructure and teaching aids to ensure no child is excluded from opportunity due to lack of educational facilities.

Children of the Mountain is committed to supporting rural communities in Nepal develop a sense of fairness, equality and social responsibility to ensure no child is excluded from opportunity due to their economic situation, gender or background.

Children of the Mountain is committed to providing teachers from kindergarten to grade twelve with continued development training in child centered learning and school management skills to ensure no child is excluded from opportunity due to insufficient educational capacity.

Our core operating principals are:

Carefully researched and long term sustainable projects.

Full financial accountability and maximisation of funds allocated to projects.

The involvement of the communities we support in the decision making process.



THE NEED

Nepal remains one of the poorest countries in Asia, 31% of the population or 8 million people live below the poverty line. In the recent 10 year civil war Nepalese children were killed, illegally detained, tortured and recruited for military activities.

Child Labour and abuse still exists in rural Nepal. Nearly 20% of children are sold into child labour.

It is not uncommon for poor children to leave school at age eight to look after younger siblings allowing parents to work. As often they leave to work in the fields or carrying loads up the mountain trails themselves.

The poorest children cannot afford to attend school at all and miss out on a future. They are trapped in a cycle of poverty.

THE PLACE

There is so much need in Nepal it is easy to be overwhelmed. It is essential that we set achievable objectives and realistic timeframes. Our focus is restricted to the needs of a specific area, Tandrang VDC in Ghorka district. Tandrang has three high schools and ten primary schools supporting 2,500 pupils. The schools we support are no fee government schools. The physical infrastructure is inadequate, supplies and books are limited, there is minimal support from the authorities within Nepal and no interaction with other international agencies.

SAFE AND SECURE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

The biggest challenge we face is new school build. All the schools in Tandrang are in a state of disrepair. Three schools have fallen down and due to lack of funds are only partly rebuilt. Our long term infrastructure projects include Primary schools and Kindergartens.

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

It is one of our immediate objectives to ensure no child of Tandrang misses out on the opportunity to attend school due to lack of funds for basic necessities such as uniform or books. We provide such basic necessities and support poor families with a focus on female students who are often denied access to education.

SANITATION, HEALTH AND WATER

Most of our schools have no direct available source of clean water and inadequate sanitation. It is our objective to provide such basic infrastructure as running water, washrooms and rainwater collection systems.



The washrooms before



The new washrooms today - great effort, everyone!



CREATIVE LEARNING CENTERS

In Nepal there is no early childcare provision up to the age of 6. Our unique preschool kindergartens (Kachuwa Klubs) provide a safe and inspiring environment. Our school meals encourage parents to bring children to school at early age and unburden the older siblings from child minding duties.

CHILD CENTERED LEARNING

Teaching skills in Nepal schools is poor with little focus on development of creative thinking or development of life skills. We have developed and facilitate continuous development programs for teachers, including teaching skills, creative thinking, lesson planning and school management. We have developed and introduced life-skills programs for grades 8 – 12.

EDUCATIONAL AIDS

We strongly believe that no child should be denied a quality education due to lack of resource, limited access to information or poor classroom facilities. We fund furniture, creative learning aids and libraries.

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KACHUWA KLUBS

Our especially designed Kindergartens are unique in Nepal. Our Kachuwa Klubs are designed to foster and support creative learning and child centered teaching. They include brightly painted walls, child friendly furniture, special dual language books and creative educational toys.

We call them Kachuwa because the first letter of the Nepalese Alphabet is Kha for Kachuwa, a small turtle. In Nepal the government does not fund preschool. In addition to providing a productive learning environment, we train teachers and pay their salaries.

If you believe as we do that the first years are the most important, help us provide and support more Kachuwa Klubs in remote communities and bring hope and colour into young lives. Sponsor a full Kindergarten, have your company name on the acknowledgement plaque.



HOW TO HELP

Sponsor Full Club

Build

Rendering
Painting

Furniture

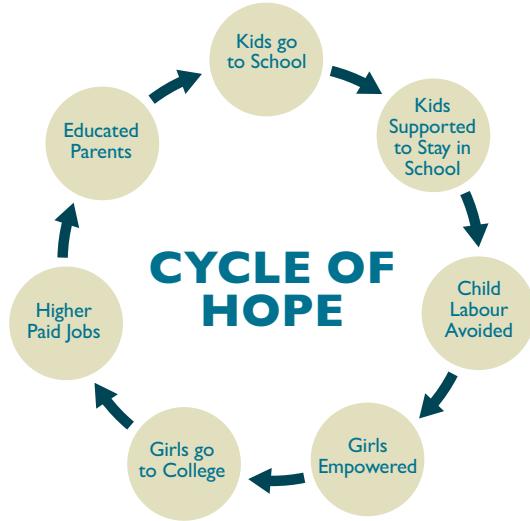
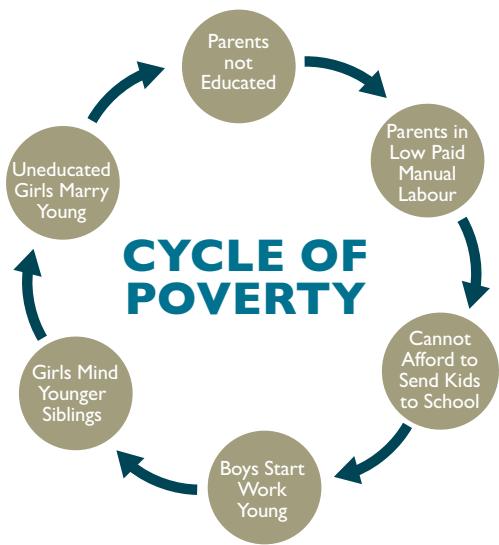
Round tables
Small book case
Display rack
Teachers chest
Cushions

English Nepalese books

Toys made in Nepal

Creative Learning Toys by Early Learning Centre

Foam Set
Wood Set
Paper Set



How you can help us...

PARTICIPATE IN OUR SHARING IS CARING SCHOOL 2 SCHOOL PROGRAM

Schools can raise social awareness in the classroom by participating in our program for primary school year groups. Support our collection of school supplies, notebooks, pencils and pens for us to ship to the schools and provide the poorest children with basic education aids. Ask for a representative to visit your school to explain the full program.



SET YOURSELF A CHALLENGE

The Climb for Children is our call out to all adventurous spirits with a desire to help the cause. This is your chance to have an adventure and at the same time give much needed support to children neglected and forgotten. If you are trekking to Everest base camp, Mera peak, Mt Elbrus, Kilimanjaro or even the South downs why not make every step that little more special?



SET YOUR FRIENDS A CHALLENGE

As an individual, group of friends, or family, you can make a real difference to the lives of neglected children by raising much needed funds through sponsored physical activities. Whether you choose to compete in an event local to you or join the teams competing in the UAE, we are here to support you with online campaign pages and training advice.



SUPPORT OUR FUND RAISING EVENTS

Tee off with us and play the Race to Dubai course in the footsteps of the professionals. Every year in November we hold an annual fund raising golf day at the Earth Course Dubai. Support the event as a participating 4 ball or as a corporate sponsor.



Every year we hold an annual celebration of the past years achievements and we look forward to the new campaigning season ahead. This "Celebrate for Children" traditionally takes place in September in Dubai but check out the events calendar and facebook page for exact date & location.

Sponsorship



SPONSORING THE CAUSE - £5,000

We commit 100% of every donation from individuals to fund building of schools or training of teachers, so your corporate support towards our operating expenses is vital for our continued success.



SPONSORING A SCHOOL - £2,000

The schools we support are government schools. However the school management have to find the funds for day to day upkeep, shortfall in books, and supplementary teaching materials. Your contributions can help provide books, uniforms, teaching materials or meals.



SPONSORING A TEACHER - £500

KINDERGARTEN TEACHER

Teachers' salaries are funded by local government budgets from grade I. However, early years education and teachers are not included in the official curriculum. We recruit and train Kindergarten teachers ourselves. We fund 60% with the community providing 40%.



TRAINEE TEACHER

We offer a limited number of places to female school leavers from Tandrang to attend college and train to be Teachers; skills much needed in the community. In return for our supporting 1 year college programs in Kathmandu we ask students to assist in our training programs, and graduates to return to Tandrang and offer the services to the schools and the community for a year.

4 STEPS TO BUILDING A SCHOOL

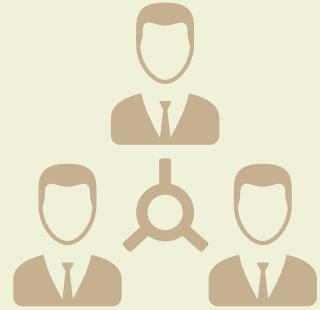
Interested to build your OWN school? Follow our 4 simple steps to make the ultimate contribution of building a school. Your school will have a name plaque and you will travel to lay the foundations or cut the ribbon to open the school.





01

**Form a team
of friends and
colleagues**



04

**Travel to Nepal and
lay the foundations**

**10 x £1,200 =
1 x SCHOOL**

Join with 10 Friends,
Colleagues & Family Members,
Raise £1,200 each, and travel to
Nepal to physically help build
your school.

02

**Contact us to
choose a location
and build time**



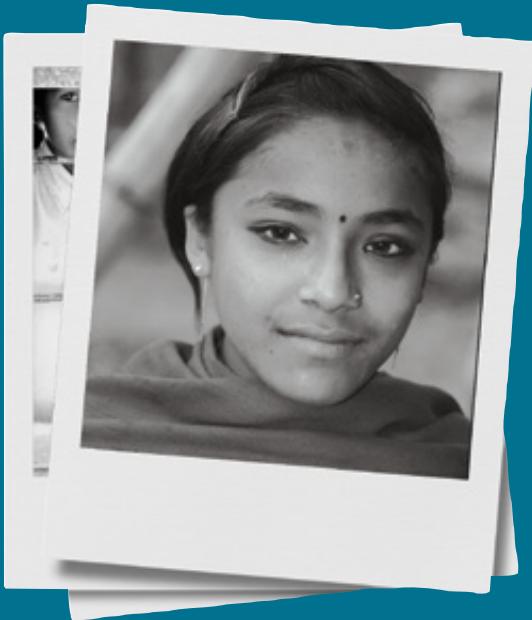
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**Start your
campaign using
online tools**



Corporate Social Responsibility

Our world is changing. People are coming together like never before with a shared passion for local and global change. People are more aware, more connected and more active!



Children of the Mountain's 'Corporate Social Performance' program offers individuals the opportunity to be fully engaged and actively contribute to lasting change, and it offers organisations the opportunity to engage with employees and have lasting positive impact on the lives of children and the community we support.



SUPPORT THE CAUSE

Commit to adopting the cause of children in Nepal for a two year period, building a positive relationship between your brand, Children of the Mountain and the communities we support. The objective of year one is to fund your chosen project, and the objective of year two is to support longer term sustainability.

STEP
01



CHOOSE YOUR PROJECT

Together we decide which social objective you wish to achieve. You can choose a kindergarten, training teachers, educational technology or building your own school.

STEP
02



SET YOUR TARGET

We will together set a budget, campaign completion date and project commencement date. We will then provide the in country project management to ensure we maximise social return on your investment.

STEP
03



LAUNCH CAMPAIGN

We design a high impact innovative campaign to raise awareness of your chosen initiative. We help run the campaign to ensure you maximise community participation and employee engagement.

STEP
04



WITNESS IMPACT

Having raised funds for your cause, travel to Nepal to witness your impact and connect with the community you have supported. These journeys may include laying foundations for, or opening your school, or supporting educational development projects.

STEP
05



SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING

Choose a program to sponsor for a year. Report on your social investment, tell peers about your impact and encourage others to follow your lead!

STEP
06

