



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

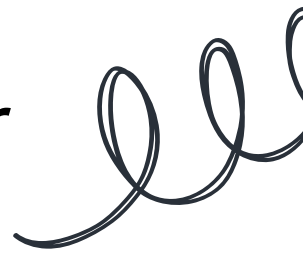


Christmas Appeal Update :

We raised £18,819.29!

Read on to see how your funds have made a difference.

Thanks to your generosity we are able to provide places for children to



feel safe, to learn and have fun!

Since we opened our first after school club at Mottamali in 2012 for 20 children in the local community we have grown to now running 7 clubs supporting 180 children each week.



Our free of charge club offers

- tutoring
- pastoral care
- games
- food
- friendship
- a safe place to be while parents work late into the night.

Our Vision for 2023:



Expand clubs and provide more hot meals

20%

Increase in capacity across clubs

8

New staff members recruited



Increase the amount of hot meals provided

News from Our clubs!

Pulial (our newest club!)

Our new maths club opened just before Christmas and is run by tutor Priya in Pulial, a small town outside Devokottai. Priya has just finished her M.Sc. in Mathematics and had a vision to give back to her community. She has been instructing 15-20 children each day in Maths. Our vision for 2023 is to expand this to all subjects.



Krishnan Puthur

The shelter at this club has made a huge difference as our students can now attend regardless of the weather. Children traditionally from this village have had a bad reputation with the local schools, so our tutor Shanti has supported children both with their behavioural challenges, as well as supporting them with their grades.



Sulthankadai - Kerala

Remotely tucked away in the Keralan hills surrounded by plantations where most of the families find work. Our club opened in 2021 with 25 children. Elizabeth is gifted, particularly in teaching the kindergarten children who missed out during lockdown.

Errangadu



Families in this area have challenging lives with high levels of unemployment and extreme poverty, with many of the children coming from families where parents have addictions. Some children have challenging behaviour, which means they are absent from school. Our tutors are incredible at this club spending 1-2-1 time with children and helping them be ready to go back to school.

Theni

This club opened after lockdown and is vital to our ministry in this village where there has been persecution towards Christians. Mrs Rani, a trained teacher, works with children from the community teaching them about hygiene and self care, as well as tutoring them across all subjects. We hope to provide more hot meals at this club in particular.



Cumbummettu

A village on the edge of Cumbummettu with our church building, is an oasis on the edge of the village, next to the rubbish dump. It is a beacon of hope offering a clean safe space for homework and for the older children to have support with their important exams. This club now has sewing machines, a keyboard and drums which makes sessions great fun!



Funtimes!



Christmas Party and Festivals

Our after school clubs welcome children of any faith and local festivals are always celebrated. At Christmas we throw a party for the children and they receive a small practical gift and a visit from Father Christmas!

Food parcels are distributed to families where the need is greatest.

Refreshments and Meals

The children will always receive a snack during the club but it has been increasingly apparent that children require more substantial hot meals on a regular basis. This does increase the cost of running our clubs significantly but we feel this hot meal service is hugely beneficial for the children and their families.



Sports and Playtime

Badminton, football and cricket are very popular amongst the children. Lots of fun games are played inside and out.

Many of the children at our clubs also like to make handicrafts out of recycled materials in addition to the sewing facilities on offer.



We are delighted that our Christmas appeal was successful in funding the operational costs of these clubs.

Children's grades are improving, children are staying in education and children are having fun.

With additional funding this year we hope to expand this facility to incorporate more hot meals and offer places to more children

Thank you for your continued support



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