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NEW School Exchange Project

We were very excited when Joseph Murphy from The Good Grace Foundation contacted us asking if we would be interested in setting up a school exchange with Glebelands Primary School in Leicester. We put them in touch with Dilli Ram Tamang, English teacher at Shree Gurans Middle School, Dibdi, Jaleshwori.

Dilli is a dynamic and committed teacher who is always looking for ways to make studying more interesting. He is also a trustee of NRVT Nepal. Before long, the teachers were exchanging emails and WhatsApp messages. As the impact of climate change is such a key theme and impacts Nepal subsistence farming communities like Jaleshwori in very tanglible ways, Joseph suggested a video exchange centred around tree planting.





We thought this was a great idea; planting trees benefits the villagers by providing new crops for food and sale, and benefits the environment by helping prevent landslides and helping the planet through releasing oxgen and absorbing carbon dioxide from the air. Tree planting was one of NRVT's key intentions when we set up the Community Farm.

Before UK schools broke up for the summer, The Good Grace Foundation donated £200 specifically to buy trees from a new nursery in Aiselukharka and have them transported to Jaleshwori for Dilli's students to plant. The result was a wonderful video exchange with Glebelands school. Glebelands sent over videos of kids in classrooms, craft work and end of term activities while

Dilli shared images of the kids at Dibdi, learning English, in the playground and outside planting the donated trees.





School Uniform Appeal

The new uniforms that you helped us provide in the winter of 2021 made a huge difference to the children of the Jaleshwori, Rhupangmare and Sukepokhare mountain communities.

However, many new families with children have now arrived in the villages and others have grown out of their existing uniforms and are urgently in need of replacements. Some uniforms are simply worn out as the kids have nothing much else to wear.

In response to this, we are re-booting the appeal to provide more uniforms to help children this coming winter.

Please consider donating a uniform to enable a Jaleshwori child to stay warm.

A warm tracksuit, sweater, tee-shirt, hat and scarf costs just £22/26€ per child. It's easy to donate through the Paypal button on our website: <u>www.nepalrvt.org</u>

And if you live nearby, come along to our fund-raising event...

Sparkling Afternoon Tea & Art Exhibition



with raffle for a piece of orginal art by a local artist!

In aid of the NRVT School Uniform Appeal 2023

at Château du Fraissinet, 30110 Branoux les Taillades

Saturday 4th November 2023

4pm - 7pm

Join us for a glass of sparkling wine or a cup of tea and a delicious finger buffet

Tickets 12€

(all proceeds go directly to NRVT)

RSVP Chris & Alison 04 66 25 71 35 or <u>info@nepalrvt.org</u> (or message us!) All welcome, please share with friends.







