

PRE – SCHOOL NETOLPITIYA - TANGALLE

PUNCHI MUTHU LADHARU PIYASA

'Punchi Muthu Ladharu Piyasa' is Sinhala for 'The Home for Little Pearls'.

This pre-school is a mercy work of Mission Rainbow along with and partners. This work was initiated in 2005 to help the tsunami affected children in and around the Netolpitiya village in Tangalle.

We have 50 children from the ages of 2 to 5 years attending this school. To this day we still have many children from tsunami affected families who seek us out. In addition to this the school also makes itself available to the very poor and needy children in the area.

The team at the 'Punchi Muthu Ladharu Piyasa' is devoted and passionate about this project. The team consists of three experienced teachers, 1 assistant and a vivacious granny-like lady who lovingly prepares all their meals and keeps the place clean. These children are provided with one meal daily and are supplied their uniforms, shoes, socks, bags, bottle and all the required educational books and other resources. Most of the children come from underprivileged families and are malnourished when they first come to the school. The meal provided by the school has been an amazing blessing to these children as they may have otherwise had to go without it.

Every year they have an exhibition of the work they do and other principals and government authorities from the area are invited for this. In one of the speeches given by the Vice Principal Mrs.Visaka from the Netolpitiya Maha Vidyalaya, the Main School in the region, she commended and declared it the best in the region as well as the best equipped school! She went on to say that the children coming from this centre to their schools were far ahead in terms of educational advancement in comparison to others in the area. This was confirmed publicly in speeches by others including parents.

As a result we have so many applicants making it difficult to choose and even harder to make rejections for deserving children due to a restriction in the number of students we are capable of accommodating in terms of space, teacher ratio and expenses.

The groups of children are very special. Each and every child has a special gifting and they are encouraged to

develop these gifts. Our desire is that they will all go on to better and more fulfilling lives. We want them to be all they can be and we are continuously seeking better ways of improving their livelihood.

2008, The Education Department awarded PMLP the First Place out of seven schools, as the best Pre-School in that area.

A sum of Rs.70, 000/- (US \$700) is required each month to sustain this Pre-School. Currently the school does not have any committed donors and we are hoping that you will help us keep this vision alive. Would you like to make a donation or commit to a monthly sum for the sustenance and development of "Punchi Muthu Ladharu Piyasa"?

Breakdown for a Month

3 teachers at Rs.7500	-	22,500.00
1 Assistant Teacher	-	6,000.00
1 Cleaner/Cook	-	6,000.00
Food: Apprx...45 children in attendance per day. @ 30/- 22 days of schooling	-	29,700.00
Electricity & Water	-	500.00
Total		<u>64,700.00</u>

Additional Expenses

- Ceiling for the Roof – Education Dept. requirement
- Big Cupboard for the books.
- Fuse Box
- 2 Standing Fans
- Maintenance – Garden/ school walls/ toilets etc. need colour washing
- Fencing – Barbed Wire and Posts
- Teacher development and further training programs

If you are led to help these 'Little Pearls' get the education they so badly need, please write to us we will send you the account number, so that you can send your contribution direct. You will receive a receipt for your donation and on request you will be forwarded the annual audited accounts.

We invite you to join us or you are welcome to visit the school any day during school time. If you partner with us, this is your school too, and you are part of it. You can visit and check on the progress and make your suggestions and assist in anyway you can. They need all the help you can give whether it is talent, time or treasure.

If you sow into these little lives you will be greatly blessed and instrumental in providing these children with a good foundation and a better start to life.

Sponsorship Packages

HEALTHY KIDS

Help us keep the children at PMLP healthy, disease free and full of energy by your commitment of a monthly gift of Rs 3000 for a period of 12 months. Or a one time gift of Rs 36,000. Basic Medication, Vaccinations, Vitamins, Hospital and Doctors Expenses will be covered through the healthy kid's sponsorship package. Every child has the right to enjoy good health and a disease free life, help us make this a reality!

NOURISHED KIDS

Join us in keeping those little stomachs full and well nourished, by your commitment to this Package, which would cover the children's meal and nutrition (glass of Kola Kadha) expenses, preparation costs and the salaries of the Cook and those related. Make your contribution by a monthly gift of Rs 1500 for a period of 12 months and help us feed these little ones, so then can grow in strength and energy.

FUN-FILLED KIDS

After three years we gave them an outing this year. We wish to do this every year. Join us as a Sponsor by your contribution of Rs 60,000 or part sponsorship is gladly welcome, and helps these children to enjoy that which children around the world enjoy. This will cover, transport in hired buses to Colombo to visit the park, zoo, museum and factory. Every child is accompanied by a parent or guardian.

FESTIVITIES & EVENTS

PMLP hosts three main events annually to make that child feel 'extra special'. The PMLP Christmas Programme, The PMLP New Year Festival and the PMLP Sports Meet. This package covers expenses for Stage, Sound, Costumes, and Eats etc, Rs. 15,000 for each event will be required. Added to which, we organize a yearly Exhibition of Hand work and School work done through the year held in August.

Please see the link below to view some pictures of the children's Exhibition
<http://www.facebook.com/album.php?aid=16868&l=c3e08&id=525242901>

PRIVILEGED KIDS

Help us make the children at PMLP a privileged bunch by offering the best in facility, resources and accommodation. This sponsorship package covers the expenses towards the school maintenance and upgrades, the water and electricity charges, furniture, colour washing and repairs

and playground equipment. Rs.25,000 per year is needed to have this place maintained.

MY KIDS

The MY Kids sponsorship package includes the sponsor undertaking the expenses of a PMLP child of his/her choice and being a foster parent to this child. Join us as a My Kids Sponsor by your monthly gift of Rs 1500 for a period of 36 months. The MY KIDS Sponsor will receive updates on the details and progress of the child and will also receive correspondence opportunities if requested.

Each Year we need the following for 50 children.

- Uniform material at Rs.1100 per child for two sets (inclusive of tailoring charges) Purple for skirts and trousers / yellow for the top
- Water bottles @ Rs.100 Rs. 5,000.00
- Lunch boxes @ Rs.125 Rs .6,250.00
- Shoes pair @ Rs.500 Rs.25,000.00
- School Bags @ Rs. 275 Rs 13,750.00
- School material needed for the whole year - Books, crayons, pencils, art paper, work books, educational play items etc.
2008 Bill Rs. 127,000.00
- 6 Cotton Sarees and Jacket material for the Teachers @ 1500/- Rs. 9,000.00
- Cook 2 sets Dress Material Rs. 1,500.00
- Aprons etc. Rs. 500.00



Above: The Three Teachers at PMLP

Talk to us about sponsoring a child in need, clarify concerns or simply get to know more about PMLP, we are here to talk to you.



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Above: Children walking home on the railway Line..!



Above: Class Room



Yes! I will make a child

Smile!