



## **Kidshelp Kambodscha e.V. Newsletter, issue July 2016**

Dear members, sponsors and supporters of Kidshelp Kambodscha e.V.,

The new edition of our newsletter is coming a bit earlier than usual as we would like to inform you about our dental hygiene workshop in June. Apart from that our high school alumni had their first study guidance organized by the Royal University of Phnom Penh and for next year Kidshelp is looking for a new overseas employee.

### **Dental health workshop at Khemara Kidshelp School**

Teaching children the correct dental care from the earliest years is a common part of public education in most western countries.

It is not that brushing teeth is unknown in Cambodia, but very often only adults do it. On the other hand, young people consume more and more candy and soft drinks, which causes tooth decay for many of the students at our English school.

For this reason we had the idea to organize a workshop for all students at our school, where they can learn about dental hygiene and the best technique for their own dental care. Of course they also need their own tooth brush and tooth paste to be able to put what they learn into practice. Keeping in mind that we have almost 400 students at the school, it is obvious that this also requires some financing, if we want to do it regularly.

Luckily we have two dentistry students in our students project who already have some experience in this kind of workshop. In order to get the necessary support for the project we made a couple of appeals for help on Facebook and asked





some companies in Phnom Penh for assistance. We got plenty of tooth brushes from Room Chang, a well-known dental clinic in Phnom Penh, and also from Nagaworld, the local casino.

There were also some positive replies to our appeals in Germany and we got tooth brushes and toothpaste from a dental practice and a donor and some money from two donors. The money allowed us to buy some visual materials like a giant set of teeth and the remaining toothpaste tubes.

For Srey Neat and Pounareay, our two students of dentistry, it was quite a challenge to repeat the course over and over again until all 400 students could join at least one time.

As many of our students now study in the evening class, it took until seven o'clock before all classes were finished. As a matter of course the students were very enthusiastic and keen to practice what they had learned.

Despite all enthusiasm we still know that the initial euphoria can easily vanish if we do not repeat the workshop.

Therefore we would like to do it every six months from now on.

Donations in cash and kind in the form of tooth brushes and toothpaste are still highly needed.

Of course we would like to thank our busy helpers Srey Neat and Pounareay and all the donors who made this new project possible and helped starting it as a permanent event.





## **Course guidance by Royal University Phnom Penh**



During the last weeks and months we have been writing quite frequently about our prospective university students. Recently we have made various efforts to help them choosing their study course for university.

We tried our best to give them some general information about university studies and help them finding out about their own interests and talents, but unfortunately our knowledge is limited, when it comes to different study possibilities at the various universities in Phnom Penh. Therefore we are quite happy that we got some professional support by the course guidance of the Royal University Phnom Penh (RUPP). The RUPP is widely recognized as Cambodia´s best university. Their course guidance is specifically designed for young Cambodians from the countryside.

They held the course on the spot at the school. All together there were seven former and present students of RUPP involved in the teachings.

Read what two of our prospective students say about the course:

Ang Sovotey

*“This meeting was very different from any other courses. It really helped me to understand my own skills better and choose the right subject for myself.”*

Nov Chanpisal

*“It was a very good experience to discuss my questions with someone from the university. They gave me very useful informations about my subject. Now I know what I will study. Thank you.”*



We would like to express our sincere thanks to the Royal University of Phnom Penh for this great support for our high school alumni. We are sure that they are much better prepared now to choose the best study course for themselves and study successfully in Phnom Penh.



### **New overseas employee for Kidshelp Kambodscha e.V.**

Next year will bring an important personnel change for Kidshelp Kambodscha e.V. in Cambodia. Our expat employee Raphael Weyel will finish his duty in Cambodia and go back to Germany after more than five years. Therefore we are looking for someone to replace him by March 2017. The main part of the work is the coordination of our projects in Cambodia and the cooperation with the association in Germany. As most of the work has to be organized independently on the spot in Cambodia, personal aptitude is absolutely crucial. Therefore we are not limited to a certain professional profile and an employment will depend very much on a personal impression. Furthermore it is important that an applicant is willing to stay in Cambodia for at least 2-3 years. If you are interested or know somebody who might be interested please contact us for further information at [Info@Kidshelp-Kambodscha.org](mailto:Info@Kidshelp-Kambodscha.org).

We wish all our supporters a pleasant summer time and thank you very much for your support and the interest in our work.

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