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Back to School!



There are many reasons why children don't attend school in Cambodia but the primary cause is usually related to poverty. Many families have difficulty meeting the cost of school uniforms, bags, books and stationery. AllKids provides students with all the materials that they need and the team works closely with 4 local public schools to financially assist vulnerable families, allowing even the most underprivileged children access to education.



In February this year, AllKids provided

502
kids

with the items needed to attend school.

Domestic Violence

in January, AllKids' affiliate, M'Lop Tapang (MT), held a workshop for our students and their parents at K'Bal Hong Village.

The workshop focused on preventing domestic violence, human trafficking, sexual exploitation, and explained the laws and rights of children and women.

Representatives from over 50 local families attended and were totally engaged. A huge thanks to the MT staff for sharing their knowledge and experience with us all.



Internet Safety



Recently our Senior Programs Manager, Sophat, held a workshop for 'Safer Internet Day'. With over 45% of users having been exposed to some sort of cyber-harassment, and children often being the target of malicious activity, AllKids aims were to raise students' awareness of keeping posts positive and avoiding potential harm to others; training students on staying safe online from cyberbullying, online predators and exposure to inappropriate content; and how to deal with online friends that we do not know.



ChildSafe Training



Hundreds of millions of children are pushed onto the margins of society around the world and this number is increasing. ChildSafe works to protect children and youth who are living and working on the streets, using drugs, are migrants, or in conflict with the law, victims of abuse, involved in the sex trade, school drop-outs or unemployed, living in poverty or affected in any other way that prevents them from having their internationally recognized rights as children fulfilled. Children and youth living on the margins of society are exposed to many abuses, from physical and emotional violence to sexual exploitation, forced labor or lack of access to health care and education.

As the team at AllKids work with vulnerable youth and their families, staff were trained by ChildSafe experts so they can take part in child protection by knowing rights of children and understanding the different types of abuse and how to spot them in order to quickly act upon suspected violence against children.

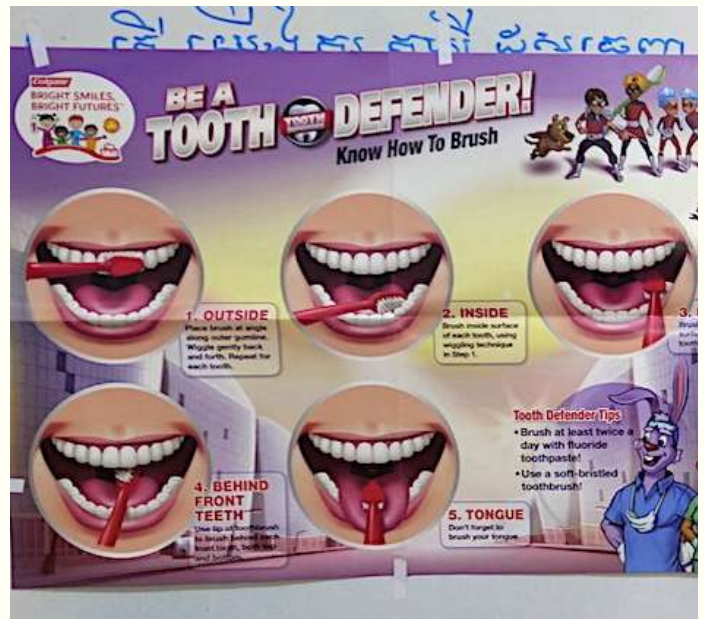


Importance of Oral Hygiene

AllKids dental program has a high focus on prevention with the kids cleaning their teeth daily on arrival at our centres.

In Cambodia, by the time a child reaches five years old, they often have multiple teeth which show advanced decay and many children have never brushed their teeth.

Our recent class focusing on our younger students, raised awareness on how to keep their oral health in good condition and when they need to see the dentist.



Primary School Water Supply

With the Coronavirus precautions, the Ministry of Education has asked all schools to provide hand washing facilities to students and staff.

At Ream Primary School, AllKids has constructed a 4-meter-high concrete stand and 5,000 liter plastic water tank, adjacent to the hand bore pump for the water supply.

This has supplied water to 2 x 3 metre hand wash basins and flushing toilets to more than 500 children and 20 teachers at the school.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

AllKids is currently looking for donations for the following new projects.



SUNDAY PROJECT

Public primary schools in Cambodia do not offer any sport, art or performance programs and children simply stay at home on Sundays. AllKids believes that these activities are critical to the healthy development of children and encourages team work, cooperation, innovation and creativity.

We are currently planning the opening of our Sunday Programme to get kids involved in these valuable activities. Donations for this project will go towards local salaries for teachers and nannies.

REAM PRIMARY SCHOOL WASH HAND BASINS

As mentioned previously, to ensure good hygiene practices in schools, the Ministry of Education has asked schools to install facilities to wash hands.

Now AllKids has installed a reliable water supply, we are seeking donations to construct a large communal hand washing facility. This will be built outside, adjacent the bathrooms, to provide space for students and staff to maintain safe conditions for Covid-19.

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