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AllKids Newsletter

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Exciting News! Lunch with Paul Otto in Adelaide

AllKids is very pleased to be hosting a special fundraising lunch with Paul in Adelaide on:



**Tuesday 26th May
11:30am - 2:30pm
at the Queen Adelaide Club**



This event is a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow supporters and hear directly from Country Director Paul Otto, who will share updates from Cambodia, including insights into the local economy and AllKids' work on the ground.

Tickets are \$85 per person
including a two-course meal and a glass of premium wine.

To book, please contact Keryn Bache at:
keryn@allkids.org.au or 0419 545091

Please RSVP by Friday 12th May to secure your place.



Future School Thriving Under Local Leadership

AllKids is very happy by the progress of the Future School program following its transition to private school management in April 2025, with recent data showing a high proportion of students maintaining 80–100% attendance!

Future School delivers an international Maths and English curriculum from Grade 1 to 12 and since its introduction by AllKids in 2014, students who complete the program have gone on to receive scholarships to leading universities in Phnom Penh.

A key driver of this success is former AllKids student Phom; he first joined the AllKids Learning Centre in January 2014 as a student. Later, Phom returned as a volunteer teacher's assistant, supporting classes and gaining valuable experience. After leaving AllKids, Phom worked in human resources at a large manufacturing facility where he's now a supervisor. In early November 2024, he took a significant step by founding the PH Computer & Language Center with Future School a foundation block of the centres curriculum.

Today, Phom balances his corporate role with leading both Future School and PH Centre. The PH Computer & Language Center offers a range of programs, including part-time English, Chinese, and computer classes, a kindergarten program, and weekend courses in English and IT. Through these initiatives, Phom is expanding access to education within his community and creating new learning pathways for children and young people.



Thank You, MGA Whittles – 14 Years of Support

AllKids would like to extend our sincere thanks to MGA Whittles for their invaluable support for the past 14 years.

Since the beginning of AllKids, MGA Whittles has supported both specific projects and our day-to-day operations. Their ongoing commitment has helped us provide education, care, and opportunities to over 10,000 disadvantaged children in the Ream community.



Learning from Nature at Chamkapich Centre

At the AllKids Chamkapich Learning Centre, learning extends beyond the classroom and into the natural environment. Recently, 13 kindergarten students enjoyed fresh, homegrown papaya harvested from the centre's grounds.

With over 250 fruit trees on the property, Chamkapich provides a unique opportunity for children to connect with nature while supporting their nutrition and wellbeing. Access to fresh fruit not only contributes to healthier diets but also creates hands-on learning experiences around food, sustainability, and the environment.



Strengthening Child Protection in Schools

Through strong collaboration between AllKids and the Ream Commune, M'Lop Tapang recently delivered a ChildSafe workshop for local educators. A total of 46 teachers from public schools and four AllKids-affiliated private schools participated in the training.

The workshop covered key topics including children's rights, identifying and responding to child abuse, and understanding the M'Lop Tapang ChildSafe hotline process.

By equipping teachers with the knowledge and tools to protect children, this initiative strengthens safeguarding practices across the wider education network. It also reinforces a shared commitment to ensuring safe, supportive environments for all children in the Ream community.



First Aid at CSC



Two AllKids team members, Phary (Art and Dance Teacher) and Theng (Kids to School Program), recently attended a five-day Senior First Aid training program at the Children's Surgical Centre (CSC) in Phnom Penh. The training, covered essential topics including basic first aid principles, CPR and emergency response, wound care, vital signs, temperature and bleeding control, as well as fractures and patient handling.

This opportunity has strengthened their ability to respond effectively to medical situations and support children and families across our centres. AllKids gives a sincere thank you to Children's Surgical Centre for providing this valuable training.



The training forms part of the broader Ream Community Health and Medical System, developed in partnership with the local commune. Through this system, families can access a dedicated hotline connecting them to trained first responders, ensuring timely, safe, and appropriate medical care while reducing financial burden and risk.

Building Knowledge and Confidence

Students at the Chamkapich Learning Centre are developing both language and general knowledge skills through creative classroom activities. Recently, students wrote and displayed educational facts about Cambodia in both Khmer and English on classroom walls. Examples included identifying Cambodia's coastal provinces – Kep, Kampot, Preah Sihanouk, and Koh Kong – as well as recognising Kep as the smallest province and Mondulkiri as the largest.

By combining language learning with general knowledge, students are building confidence in both Khmer and English while strengthening their understanding of the world around them. Displaying their work also provides a sense of pride and encourages a positive, engaging learning environment.



Supporting Education Through Transition: Lang Family Foundation Funds AllKids Study Scholarships

AllKids is undergoing a transition to locally managed education systems in Ream, strengthening community ownership and reducing long-term reliance on external support. A key milestone was the closure of the Smach Deng Learning Centre in June 2025, with 850 students successfully transitioning to programs across four affiliated private schools – many now accessing a broader range of subjects. To support the most vulnerable during this shift, 281 AllKids study scholarships have been awarded.

We are deeply grateful to the Lang Family Foundation for their \$30,000 contribution, which is helping ensure continued access to education and a smooth, sustainable transition for the community.



**Lang Family
Foundation**

Child Protection Awareness Training at Chamkapich



Students at the Chamkapich Learning Centre recently participated in an important child protection awareness session delivered by the team from M'lop Tapang. The training focused on helping children understand personal safety, including the difference between appropriate and inappropriate physical contact in an age-appropriate and respectful way.

Students also learned about the different forms of harm that children may face – physical, emotional, sexual, and neglect – and were encouraged to speak up and seek help from trusted adults if they ever feel unsafe.

Sessions like this are vital in empowering children with the knowledge and confidence to protect themselves and support one another in a safe learning environment.



An Invitation to allkids lunch With Paul Otto



**TUESDAY
26 MAY**



**11:30am -
2:30pm**



QUEEN ADELAIDE CLUB
2-6 Stephens Place,
Adelaide SA 5000

Exciting things are happening at AllKids...

Join Country Director, Paul Otto, for a special lunch and hear about the transition to community management, along with insights into Cambodia's evolving economy.

Tickets cost **\$85 per person**



Enjoy a two-course lunch
with a glass of premium wine
in an elegant setting



Parking
Gawler Place U-Park
& Myer Carpark



**Jacket and
Tie Required**

- Reserve Your Place Today -

RSVP by Tuesday, 12 May

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have the right to education

Sponsor a Child's Education

Your continued support through child sponsorship is crucial to provide the most disadvantaged children in the Ream Commune with continued education.

A monthly donation of AU\$ 30 provides the following:

1

Transport to and from school for children living in remote areas

Provision of school uniforms, bag and schoolbooks

2

3

Access to extra curriculum in private schools through AllKids scholarships

Health, medical and dental support

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5

Access to AllKids Day Care to look after younger siblings while your sponsor child attends school

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