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# AllKids Newsletter



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# Ream Community Health and Medical System

AllKids, in collaboration with Ream Commune and local healthcare providers, has launched the Ream Community Health and Medical System, a coordinated response to improve medical support for the most vulnerable families.

Ream Commune have their own government funded community health center to provide basic health and medical care. In the case of an emergency, patients are referred to the Sihanoukville Referral Hospital where most treatment is free for poor families and reasonably priced for others. However, sometimes a patient's family will send their child to a private clinic where the quality of service is dubious, and families are often left with poor outcomes and substantial debts following treatment.

Coordinated by the Ream Commune, the Ream Community Health and Medical System includes an emergency hotline, trained operators, and a medical referral committee including AllKids staff, the Ream Commune Chief, and trusted healthcare providers. The responders assess each situation and determine the best treatment path, whether it's basic first aid at the local health centre or urgent transport to the Sihanoukville Referral Hospital.

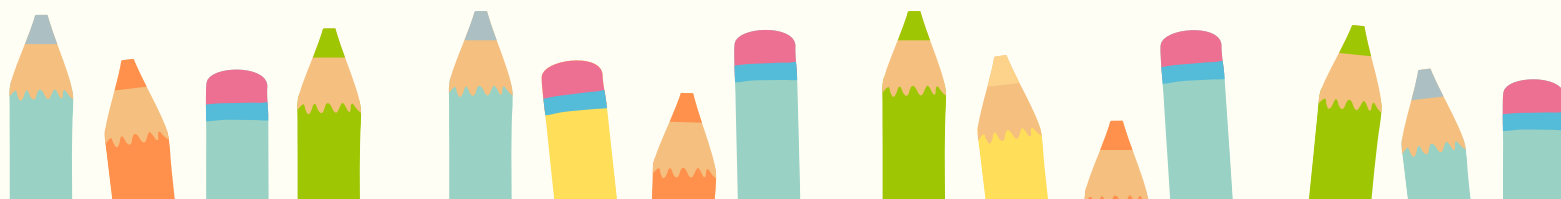
We've worked hard to educate families about the system, so they know exactly who to contact and what to expect. Our priority is always to connect the community with reliable care and not the unsafe, high-cost options that too often leave families in debt. Follow-up care, logistics, and financial planning are all coordinated by the committee, giving families peace of mind that they won't be left alone in a crisis



# Songkran Fun Across AllKids Centres!

Khmer New Year, also known as Choul Chnam Thmey, is Cambodia's biggest national holiday. It marks the end of the harvest season and the start of the new year in the traditional Khmer calendar. Celebrated over three days, it's a time for families to reunite, pay respect to elders, visit temples, and have fun with traditional games, dancing, and water! To celebrate, our learning centres were filled with joy as students and staff came together to celebrate this loved holiday. At the Smach Deng Learning Centre, the festivities began with a graceful Khmer Blessing Dance, followed by the presentation of certificates to some of our outstanding students. Then the games began, with laughter echoing through the classrooms and courtyards.

At Prek Trabaek, the kids were treated to not one but two cakes (kindly sponsored by **Barossa Vets**!) giving them a sweet treat before jumping into traditional Khmer games with their teachers and friends. It was a day full of cultural pride, community spirit, and fun, and a reminder of how important it is to celebrate tradition alongside education.





# A Big Change in Smach Deng, a Bigger Step Toward Community Leadership

On Friday 13th June, the AllKids Smach Deng Learning Centre officially closed its doors but for the children of Ream, but the journey continues stronger than ever. It marks an important step in AllKids' long-term plan to transition educational services to local management.

**[CLICK HERE TO WATCH THE VIDEO](#)**

AllKids is beginning a five-year handover strategy to empower the Ream community to take full ownership of their children's education. The closure of the Smach Deng centre is part of this process, with students now enrolled in one of four accredited local private learning centres. These schools meet AllKids standards and are adopting our robust Child Safety Policy. Thanks to generous sponsors, 281 of the most disadvantaged students are continuing their extracurricular studies, English, IT, and much much more, on AllKids scholarships.

But this transition only works with your continued support. Sponsoring a child for AU\$30 a month provides tuition support, uniforms, schoolbooks, healthcare, and even daycare for younger siblings – ensuring children stay in school. Follow this link to learn more: **[www.allkids.org.au/sponsor-a-child/](http://www.allkids.org.au/sponsor-a-child/)**





# Farewell AKLC!

From a small hut in 2012 to a vibrant learning centre by 2014, the Smach Deng Learning Centre holds a special place in AllKids' history. It began with 300 students, the first proper AllKids Learning Centre, marking the moment our educational mission truly took flight in Ream. Here's some memories of AKLC:





# A Full Day of Learning at Prek Trabaek

With the closure of our Smach Deng Learning Centre, our most senior teachers have now joined the AllKids Prek Trabaek Learning Centre, where a significant change is underway. Because these students don't attend a public school, AllKids has introduced a full school day program, breaking the typical Cambodian half-day model.

New daily schedules and enriched academic programs have been introduced to ensure Prek Trabaek's children get the best possible education. In addition, our Junior Programs Supervisor, S'doeung, has rolled out a full kindergarten curriculum, providing pre-school education to the youngest in this remote community.





# Unexpected Passengers at K'Bal Hong Bus Stop!

Local chickens making use of AllKids bus stop! Our school bus network is a lifeline for students in Ream, helping them travel safely from home to one of the AllKids learning centres. Every morning and afternoon, trained drivers follow multiple routes to pick up and drop off children. These buses, contracted locally, ensure about 350 students have reliable transport, even over long distances, at no cost to their families. This service is a key part of our KidstoSchool initiative, essential to reducing dropouts and helping families access education without worrying about transport or costs.



# Lunch on Two Wheels

Ever wonder how 38 lunch boxes make it from K'Bal Hong to Ream Primary school every day? Meet our motorbike-powered lunch express, delivering hot, nutritious meals to our most vulnerable kids who now attend school all day.

As Ream Primary extended its school hours, our team adapted quickly. Every lunch is lovingly packed at the K'Bal Hong Centre and delivered on time, rain or shine.





# Sponsor a Child's Education

**A note for Child Sponsors: Sarun is busy preparing the annual sponsor child updates which will be ready in August!**

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

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