

"A man never stands as tall as when he kneels to help a child"



Arobanam Children Fund Newsletter – July 2017

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22nd Annual Charity Dinner

ACF were delighted to host our 22nd Annual Charity Dinner on Saturday 22nd April at Manor Park Hall, New Malden, Surrey. Once again, the event was a great opportunity for sponsors and supporters alike to come together for an evening filled with music, food and for an update on our work this past year. We had an exceptional attendance on this occasion and were pleased to note that in addition to our long term supporters of past, a new wave of younger generations were present signifying a continuing interest in the charity, which we hope will ensure the development and future of ACF.

Following a slideshow presentation offering a glimpse into the charity's projects, challenges & achievements, we were honoured to welcome our Chief Guest, Mr Hubert Ferdinand who not only is a committed supporter of ACF, but also led a successful fundraising campaign in the charity's early years. Our resident saxophonist, Praveena Ravishanker graciously provided the evenings live entertainment. As always, both the American Auction and Raffle drew laughter and cheers of excitement to end an enjoyable and memorable night. We hope to see everyone again next year!



ASSETS – Update

As you may be aware, ACF launched a new endeavour in December 2016 by partnering with ASSETS, an organisation providing assistance and resources to children with disabilities in Kilinochchi and the surrounding areas. Over the course of the last few months we have funded a furniture project to provide beds, clothes racks and mosquito nets to all the children currently occupied at the Hostel.



ACF identified that the Hostel initially lacked basic amenities with the children sleeping on mats on the floor. Following our furniture project, all our children were given beds and other furniture to promote a suitable living.

For further information, please contact one of our committee members at:

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Together We Can Make A Difference

Our very own daredevil!

Mr Joseph Jeyakumar, a founder member and long term ACF supporter & dear friend is taking on a very brave and unique fundraising challenge in a bid to raise much needed funds for our charity.

The Mission: Wing walking – he is set to mount the wing of a 1940's Boeing Stearman Biplane for a flight at 135mph with a zoom climb to 500ft and with several fly past manoeuvres before landing.

The Date: Saturday 19th August 2017

To donate, please visit: <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/JosephJeyakumar>



Please support him by any means you can towards this once in a lifetime experience. We wish him well and we are looking forward to seeing him take to the skies!

Special Meals

We have been supplying special meals to our children for numerous years and in fact, it is one of our longest standing projects. For a minimum of £75, you can provide a meal for the children at one of our Homes and it can even be arranged on a significant day such as a birthday or anniversary. Please keep us in mind and consider making a donation towards this scheme.



A recent special meal at Arobanam Boys' Home.

University Success

Some of our proudest moments arise when we hear news of our children succeeding and creating a future for themselves. We are thrilled to report that another two ACF children from our Foster Care Scheme with DWF, Mannar have attained University placements this year:

1. Miss Prashanthini Santhiralingam is studying Management at the University of Jaffna.
2. Mr Bhaheerathan Sivakumar is studying Estate Management at the University of Jeyawardenapura, Colombo.

These success stories are a testament to our sponsors for providing our children with the opportunity to excel. Without your continued support, these children would not have the chance to achieve their potential.

We extend our sincere thanks to you all and will keep you posted on their progress.



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