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Update from Sue Walton, Chief Executive Officer

It is 60 years since our Founders raised the magnificent sum of £15,000 to purchase the Oaklands Estate with the intention of providing a home for child victims of conflict. It is also 20 years since we began our scholarship programme supporting academically gifted young people from some of the world's poorest communities. You may rest assured these significant anniversaries will not go unmarked! Watch the website for celebratory events throughout the year.

Pestalozzi is rightfully proud of its rich heritage starting with the first children to arrive in the village and make it their home (page 12). History continues to be written as we record the achievements of more recent graduates such as Ram Rijal (page 8).

Moving into 2017 it would be easy to despair as one looks out into the world seeing little but division, disillusion and discontent. However here at Pestalozzi the success of the young people who are the heart of our multi-faith, multi-cultural community, their dedication, determination and simple decency is in itself a cause for celebration and a reason for optimism.

I have said before that I find Pestalozzi students inspirational. Young women like Arpana Nepal (page 5) committed to improving the lives of children in their home communities through education. Young men like Kinley Rabgay and



Pemba Dorji (page 6) who are working with HeForShe towards achieving global gender equality. All are proof that committed individuals can make a difference in the world.

We would also like to say a special "Thank you" to the Grieg Foundation whose commitment to our scholarship programme is unwavering. The generosity of all our donors, large and small, enables us to plan with confidence for that future of opportunity referred to by Yanti Manurung (page 11) and make the luck that Krishna Gaire so eloquently described in his Ted Talk (page 8). With your continued support we can endeavour to make 2017 a year of cohesion, hope and happiness for an amazing group of young people.

Thank you!

About Pestalozzi

Pestalozzi is more than just a scholarship. Our vision is to inspire young people to make a difference in the world. Our mission is to produce globally conscious young leaders by supporting their further education in the multi-cultural, multi-faith environment of the Pestalozzi International Community. Our core values of Respect, Integrity, Diversity, Commitment and Fun are central to everything we do.

The last six months have been jam-packed with fundraising events, seminars for our students, talks to community groups and cultural celebrations for all to enjoy.

Rural Past Times

This annual weekend event returned to Pestalozzi in August for another successful year. It plays host to a range of rural vehicles, activities, stands and stalls. The Pestalozzi stand raised an amazing £667!



Quiz Night



Our charity quiz night in November was a huge success with over 100 people taking part and £500 raised for Pestalozzi – thank you to all that attended.

Christmas Fayre

Everyone was feeling festive at our Christmas Fayre. There was carol singing from the local church choir and a special 'Wishmas Tree' donated by local residents Ian Capon and Anne Hamilton filled with doves carrying people's Christmas wishes.



Save the date

Don't miss out on our future events where you can support Pestalozzi.

- Thursday 9th February** Cultural Fusion Performance
- Thursday 16th February** Business Meets Students
- Saturday 11th March** International Women's Day Celebration
- Sunday 19th March** Hastings Half Marathon
- Thursday 13th April** Multicultural Evening of Art & Food
- Sunday 28th May** Dog Dawdle
- Sunday 2nd July** Cavalcade of Transport
- Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th August** Rural Past Times

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Thank you

To: The Pestalozzi staff

You are the big bang of my success, the gravity of my confidence and the stars of my life; here I offer you a Supernova of gratitude!



From: Pemba Dorji

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Meet New Fundraising & Marketing Manager Charlie Weeks

Pestalozzi was delighted to welcome Charlie to the fundraising and marketing team in November. Her role as Fundraising and Marketing Manager is crucial to raising the funds that we need for the scholarship programme to thrive. Here is Charlie's story.

Having known about Pestalozzi for some time I'm delighted to now be part of the Pestalozzi family.

My first few weeks have been busy whilst I've been finding out more about the charity, meeting the teams and attending events as varied as our International Quiz Night, the Christmas Fayre and the annual Carol Concert

organised by the Lewes Friends of Pestalozzi. The true highlight of course has been meeting the students. Their stories, enthusiasm and determination to succeed amaze me. I now just need to remember all 43 names!

Away from the office I love to travel and enjoy the great outdoors, especially if it's off the beaten track and take every opportunity to experience new places, people and cultures.

I have a number of years of experience working in management and fundraising roles for charities both in the UK and overseas. I am looking forward to using my experience



to raise awareness and funds for a fantastic charity that has a truly global impact.

Thank you to all of our supporters and I look forward to meeting many more of you over the next few months.

Meet new volunteer Adrián Sánchez Meléndez

Adrián is a Spanish volunteer at Pestalozzi, working in the Student Programme team. He gained the position through a volunteer programme, Erasmus+ the European Union's (EU) programme for education, training, youth and sport. We have welcomed many volunteers to Pestalozzi through this programme and will be sad to see it end once we leave the EU.

My adventure here started in August and I couldn't be happier working at Pestalozzi. I am really interested in education, as I am a high school teacher in Spain. Here, I can learn directly the values of one of

Pestalozzi's fathers Johann H. Pestalozzi. I am glad to be part of this amazing team, and making a difference by helping the students from nine different countries.

My work here covers a large range of activities. Usually, I teach the students my mother tongue (Spanish) and things related to my knowledge and my background such as music, history and art.

I recently worked together with the students to create a video about "Life at Pestalozzi"; I am very pleased with the final version because it shows all of the day to day activities and the



lifestyle of the Pestalozzi students.

I still have six exciting months ahead of me, so I am ready for learning, improving and changing my life forever!

You can find more information about our volunteers on our website blog Pestalozzi.org.uk/news

Student Spotlight

Meet the cover stars – Geoffrey, Beverly and Martin, from Zambia. They're all relatively new at Pestalozzi, arriving in September to complete their first academic year of the Pestalozzi scholarship. Here you can find out a bit more about them.

How was your life before Pestalozzi?

G: My father works as a watchman at a clinic while my mother owns a small business. Most of the income was spent on our education and we could therefore hardly afford three meals. We were assisted by my previous school which helped me to realise my results without paying the fees and find a sponsor for my younger brother.

M: It was just an average life. I spent most of my time at boarding school and only used to talk to my family through phone calls when I got the chance to call them.

B: I had a simple yet happy life; in my family, we made sacrifices for each other and although I did not always get what I wanted, I always got what I needed.

How did you first hear about Pestalozzi?

G: Organisers of an academic club called JETS, in which I was actively involved up to national level, told me about Pestalozzi and encouraged me to apply for selection.

B: It was the same for me, I heard about Pestalozzi from a Junior Engineers, Technicians and Scientists (JETS) competition.

M: Through an organisation that conducts science fairs throughout the country.



Geoffrey



Martin

What subjects do you study at college?

B: Biology, Psychology and Mathematics.

G: Scientific subjects: Maths, Physics, Chemistry and Further Maths.

M: Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics and Computer Science.

What do you want to do when you leave Pestalozzi?

M: I would like to pursue a career in the medical field but I still have a keen interest in technology and would like to cross link it with my medical career.

G: I want to get into university for further studies, most likely in the field of medicine and then go home to give back through offering a service.

B: Personally, I would like to use the skills and knowledge I will acquire while at Pestalozzi to contribute to the wellbeing of my family and that of my community and country at large.

What is the best advice you've been given?

G: To be considerate and to put into practice what is right for the benefit of others without any selfish motives.

M: The best advice I have been given so far is "Never forget where you've come from".

B: To love and respect all people despite the fact that not everyone we love and respect will reciprocate.

Who is your hero or inspiration?

G: Ben Carson who emerged from a vulnerable background and became the best surgeon doctor through determination, hard work and focus.

B: I am inspired by the late Zambian urologist Dr. Francis Manda.

M: My Mother.

Describe Pestalozzi in three words...

G: Platform to fulfilment

M: Wisdom, Diversity, Energy

B: Holistic developing community.



Beverly

Would you like to volunteer and be part of the team here at Pestalozzi? Visit Pestalozzi.org.uk/volunteer or call us on 01424 870444 to find out more



Summer Volunteering



Every summer the students return to their home countries. Whilst there, many of them undertake a summer volunteering programme which helps them gain additional skills and also shows their commitment to giving back to their home communities. Nepali student, Arpana Nepal, tells us about what she got up to this summer.

This summer I volunteered at a school called Bhanodaya Primary, which is a government school. In Nepal, government schools do not have the same quality education and facilities as the private schools, which is the reason why I found it more beneficial to go there and help the children.

I was given the responsibility of working as a social studies teacher, having to organise a field visit and making the students prepare reports in teams. On the first day, I found out that a large quantity of water had built up around the school which created a massive problem for the kids coming to school in their uniforms. Before I began the classes, I helped the other teachers to pave the way to school.



In order to get to know the students, we played games in the classroom and the students shared some of their stories. The following two days, I introduced two new topics to each class, asking them questions to make sure they had understood the subject.

The fourth and most important day the students, for the first time, were taken to visit historical and cultural places around their neighbourhood. They learnt about each place and were also asked to note their observations. The students thoroughly enjoyed the trip. The next day, I supervised the students in preparing their report on the visit. As they had never written a report before, I assisted them with the format, content and presentation.



The sixth and final day, I worked with the students to map the important places in their locality, like health posts and shops. Both projects were then pasted on the walls of their classrooms.

The project developed my ability to explain ideas. Speaking from experience, I noticed a vast difference between the infrastructure in government and private schools. This realisation has inspired me even more to be of some service to government schools in the future. The school was appreciative of my presence. I even succeeded in adopting Pestalozzi's Head, Heart and Hand principles. I educated their minds, I taught them some good habits and I also helped the school in paving the way.

Arpana didn't stop there, she also volunteered for three weeks at her old school, SOS Hermann Gmeiner, in Bhaktapur, Nepal. SOS Children's Villages are one of Pestalozzi's in country partners. Well done Arpana!

First trip to London for Pestalozzi students



During the autumn half term break, some of the first year students left the peace of the Pestalozzi International Village for the bustle of London. After visiting the British Museum, Buckingham Palace, Green Park, Trafalgar Square, Westminster Abbey and Big Ben, what did our students think about London?

Junita: "Circling around the London Eye, Big Ben and the River Thames, as well as Buckingham Palace was a dream come true for me. I really enjoyed the trip and saw the differences between London and my country, Indonesia. I also felt really proud when I saw an exhibition of

Indonesian puppets in the British Museum."

Martin: "For as much as I had great expectations before the journey, I must admit what I have experienced has exceeded my expectation. This is not only because of the amazing city we have visited, but because I shared this experience with my friends. It has imprinted in my heart and mind forever."

Estefania Morera (Student Programme Assistant): "Having been to London so many times you can take it for granted but every time I visit with our students they help me to see it afresh through their eyes."

Chess Success

On the 12th of October, four Pestalozzi students took part in the Maureen Charlesworth Chess Challenge in Hastings, and came back with the gold and silver medals.

Over the course of one month, the students practised with Student Programme Assistant Estefania Morera. "Credit goes entirely to Estefania for preparing us for the challenge, she was brilliant", explained Rohit Kumar Sahy, who won the gold medal this year, against 32 participants of all ages. Congratulations are also due to Adith Sivamohan who won the silver medal and fellow participants Eric Muhwezi and Blessing Kondo.



Hastings Youth Awards



Pestalozzi is particularly proud of four students who received individual awards for their outstanding contribution to the youth community in Hastings. Kinley Rabgay and Pemba Dorji were rewarded for their work towards the HeforShe (heforshe.org) campaign and for the establishment of the Pestalozzi Happiness Club. Tsungai Mujera was recognised as a volunteer for the Lions Club of Hastings and Samten Lhamo for her role as the president of the local group of Students for a Free Tibet. Well done to all.

Thank you

To: My Academic tutors, Richard and Chris:

Huge thanks to you for broadening our horizon of knowledge and understanding and making us smarter. Your 30 minutes was definitely worth it.

From: Parikshit Chalise




Keep up to date with what our students are up to by visiting Pestalozzi.org.uk/news for the latest news articles and blogs



Country Profile – Nepal

Fact File



Capital: Kathmandu

Population: about 28 million inhabitants

President: Bidhya Devi Bhandari

Prime Minister: Pushpa Kamal Dahal

Currency: Nepalese rupee

Language: Nepali is the official language but many other languages are spoken

Religion: Hinduism (81%), Buddhism (9%), Islam (5%), other (5%)

GDP: 20.88 billion (USD) 2015

Pestalozzi offers scholarships to students from 9 different countries from around the world; one of those countries is Nepal. Pestalozzi has welcomed 108 Nepalese students to the village, with the first group arriving in 1979. We've highlighted some of the key challenges that the country is facing and how our students and alumni want to, and are already making a difference.

Current issues in Nepal

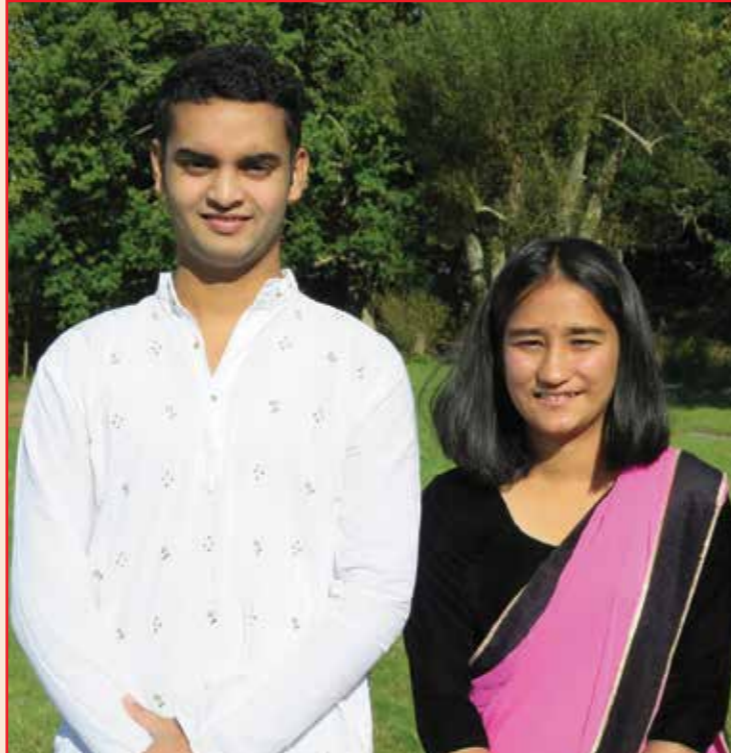
The Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal is a landlocked country in South Asia, bordered by China and India. After ten years of civil war between the government and Maoist rebels, Nepal abolished the monarchy in 2008. The new Constitution was promulgated in 2015, after years of political uncertainty. There are three large problems in Nepal, political unrest, poor education and environmental issues such as earthquakes. Here our current students talk about what they have experienced and how they want to make a difference.

"Brain drain (the flow of skilled human resource to other countries) is a serious problem in Nepal. Every year most of the skilled and semi-skilled people leave the country. Many of my friends are now in Gulf countries (Qatar, Saudi Arabia)

earning little money doing laborious manual work. I have made it my aim to decrease the brain drain, I want to show them that we have enough opportunities for work in Nepal. I got this scholarship to help my friends and many Nepalese who are going through my friends' situation. I got this scholarship to change the face of my community and my country." – **Aamir Ansari**

"I aim to be a zoologist, because Nepal has notable wildlife diversity that needs taking care of. Beyond my professional life, I see myself as an agent of change in my society. All the problems of my country come from illiteracy and ignorance. We have unstable politics because people do not judge the candidates wisely due to lack of awareness, we have unemployment because we have brain drain and we have poverty because people are not educated.

What can I do to solve this? As a student who was offered a good secondary education by the government and also given the extraordinary opportunity of coming to Pestalozzi, I feel like I owe my country even more than a common citizen. Therefore, I wish to empower poor people of my rural village by establishing a proper education centre and education system." – **Samikshya Dhami**



How Pestalozzi Alumni are making a difference

There are already a number of Nepalese alumni making a difference in their country and trying to make the world a better place. Here are a few examples of these exceptional individuals.



Ram Krishna Rijal grew up in rural Rukum, where only 10 percent of the village is literate and the closest bus stop was a two-day walk. When he was 10, Ram earned a government scholarship to study in Kathmandu, and later earned scholarships to Pestalozzi and then to Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). After graduating from MIT in 2012, Ram couldn't wait to return to his home country of Nepal. He had the ambition to set up a network of schools and change the way in which youth are educated in Nepal. Bloom Nepal School was born from this ambition in 2013. After a successful start, the school suffered a devastating setback from the earthquake in April 2015 and is now in the process of being rebuilt.

"We built this school with the idea of making the country 'bloom' by providing quality education to children from even the poorest families," he says. "We realised everyone has a passion. So let's use that passion to create living experts who have a huge contribution to the development — and recovery — of Nepal."

Alongside founding Bloom Nepal, Ram also works for the World Bank in Nepal.

Santosh Puri attended Pestalozzi in 2001-2003 and is now a qualified chartered accountant, working for one of the biggest accountancy firms

in the world. "I work hard to support my family in Nepal. I also sponsor a student from a poor economic background to go to a school in Nepal, paying her tuition fees and other related costs. I often take part in fundraising activities for example raising over £1.5k to support the victims of the earthquake."

Krishna Gaire graduated from Pestalozzi in 2014 and is currently studying Computer Engineering at New York University in Abu Dhabi. Krishna, like many other Pestalozzi alumni, considered himself lucky because of the various opportunities that came his way. He realised that if other students from Nepal were aware of the same opportunities, they too could progress with further education. Krishna has now designed and developed an online forum for Nepalese high school students where anyone can ask questions regarding the College Application process for free (www.collegesodhpuch.com). After setting up the website, he gave a TED Talk on the work that he'd been doing with College Sodhpuch and how he's trying to make other students in Nepal lucky – just like he was.



Laxmi Rajak is from the SOS school in Nepal. After graduating from Pestalozzi she went to Duke University and studied International Comparative Studies, Mathematics and Education. Laxmi is now working for Teach for Nepal as an Impact Evaluation Coordinator. Teach for Nepal is committed to ending education inequality in Nepal and offers a two year fellowship teaching in public schools.



You can help make a difference in the world too! Donate today by visiting Pestalozzi.org.uk/donate or filling in the form on the last page



Pestallozzi Supporters

We would like to thank all our supporters and volunteers for their hard work in raising much needed funds for Pestallozzi. Here's what some of them have been up to.

Cass Group trek for Pestallozzi

In August, Trustee Victoria Shin and fellow Cass students embarked on a journey of a lifetime to raise money for Pestallozzi!

With a passion for adventure and a thirst for international travel to far flung places, Victoria managed to convince five of her amazing MBA classmates at Cass Business School (David Aobadia, Tom Clifton, Hussein Daami, Dominic Graham, and Stephanie Wong) to join her in an expedition to explore the world's southernmost tip! Together they trekked over 40km in three short days in the Torres del Paine National Park in Chile. Famed for its stunning mountains, glaciers, lakes, and rivers, Patagonia provided the stunning backdrop to the hike's gruelling pace and sub-zero temperatures.

The itinerary included:

Day 1: 11kms ending on a ridge point with a spectacular view of the Cuernos del Diablo (Devil's Horns) - a pair of sharp peaks that jut above Lake Nordenskjold.

Day 2: 17kms with a sharp 600m rise in altitude.



Day 3: 12kms around the Grey Lake, home to a glacier 6km wide and over 30m high.

Victoria says, "While we encountered treacherous icy ravines and terrifyingly steep inclines, we put our fearful emotions to one side and pulled together as a team to get everyone to the finish line. We shared a truly amazing experience, made all the more special for the £3,000 we raised for Pestallozzi."

On their return, the Cass trekkers visited Pestallozzi to meet with Chairman of Trustees, Derek Blackman, and the students. They visited the facilities and made an inspirational and heartfelt presentation of their expedition to a packed audience of students and staff. Of the visit, David said "Today has been an amazing day, one that has truly made a positive difference in my life." Stephanie commented "I have no doubt that the outstanding young people I met today will become our future leaders of tomorrow!"

Well done to all of the team for your incredible effort and determination to not only complete the trek but to also help raise vital funds for the charity - Thank you!

Sam tackles the mud

Sam Moon bravely took on the gruelling obstacle race Tough Mudder in September to raise funds for Pestallozzi. Sam managed to raise £205 and Barclays, who he works for, have generously match funded this amount, which means a total of £410 has been raised. Thank you for thinking of us Sam and for helping to make a difference!



Isle of Man school goes cake crazy

An enthusiastic group of students from Kings William's School in the Isle of Man were tasked by the Isle of Man Friends of Pestallozzi group with organising a charity challenge to raise money for Pestallozzi. The girls baked a selection of cakes and managed to raise £170. "The school was very supportive, making our bake sale possible. We are so pleased with the amount of money raised and we are delighted to be representing Pestallozzi" commented Antonia Dunn one of the fundraisers.



Hastings Direct gives a helping hand

Colleagues from local general insurance provider, Hastings Direct, volunteered to rejuvenate Pestallozzi's Peace Garden. As part of their 'A Helping Hand' project, which aims to give support to the local community, the Hastings Direct compliance team donned their gardening gear and got stuck into an afternoon of digging, weeding and pruning. The estate takes a lot of effort to upkeep so we really appreciated their time in returning the Peace Garden to its tidy, tranquil state.



Pestallozzi 200

A big thank you to the following Pestallozzi 200 members who contribute £200 or more every year:

Abdul-Nassir Farraj; Julian and Quenelda Avery; Mr and Mrs David and Beryl Bartter; Alan and Jean Brown; Miss Betty Charles; Lord and Lady Clarke; Rachel Crossley; Mrs Ursula Ensmann; Paul and Gill Evans; Martyn Forster; Mr and Mrs C Harvey; Dr Edward Henderson; Arnela John; Peter and Janet Kennedy; David and Margaret Macaulay; Bridget and Richard Maidment; Mr and Mrs M Marceau; Mrs Barbara Marsden; Mr and Mrs Richard Meade; Andy Noble; Mr and Mrs Roger Perrin; Mr and Mrs Pinder; Elle Pramuan Johnson; Ms Gloria Redston; Miss Rhoda Nkonjela; Annette and Bill Shelford; Mrs Marilyn Shone; Dr and Mrs Colin Tourle; Mr Charles Uwaname; Mr Mike Wade; and to all those who wish to remain anonymous.

Being a P200 member is an exciting opportunity to gain a closer relationship with Pestallozzi, attend special invitation-only events and receive public recognition in our supporter's lists. Please get in touch for more information about membership.

Lewes FC makes Pestallozzi their charity of the month

This February, Pestallozzi is charity of the month at Lewes FC. There will be fundraising activities at all home games at Lewes FC's home ground, The Dripping Pan. Matches are on Saturday 4th and Saturday 18th February at 3pm, so come along!

There are lots of ways you can raise funds for Pestallozzi - get in touch to receive a fundraising pack



Quick Updates

Tenzin Yangkey: Recently met up with fellow alumni Tenzin Dophen, Tenzin Noryang and Youdon Lhamo in New York for a conference where they talked about social innovation and social change in Tibet which was hosted by a Washington based Tibetan NGO called Machik.

Chhiring Lama: Has been accepted at Smith College. Smith is an all-women's University and is ranked number 12 in the USA. This is a great opportunity for Nepalese student Chhiring.

Christopher Mujjabi: Graduated from Pestalozzi in 2013 and is currently in his last year at EARTH University in Costa Rica. He was recently involved in an urban agriculture project that won funding to implement the team's ideas in his home country of Uganda.



Alumni News: the journey continues

Pestalozzi provides a support network to students after they have left the village. We love keeping in touch with our alumni, so as well as the updates on this page, please check our website: pestalozzi.org.uk for more stories and updates.

First Indonesian Alumni start university

Pestalozzi is proud to announce that Roseline Simanjuntak and Yanti Manurung, the first two Indonesian students to attend Pestalozzi have both been accepted into university.



Yanti is now studying at Swarthmore in Pennsylvania and is planning on a double major in neuroscience and biochemistry, whilst Roseline is at Duke University in North Carolina studying engineering.

"Attending University is a privilege. Unlike other people who get in by just being born into a rich family, I get this privilege by attending Pestalozzi. University has made me realise that the only thing that children from poor families in developing countries are lacking is opportunity. Attending university is a privilege and with privilege, comes great responsibility. I want to make myself useful, somehow. I want to help people to achieve their dreams because I know how much it hurts when you have to bury your dreams and potential simply because you are poor. Me, a kid from Indonesia, getting into Swarthmore is like someone finding love in a hopeless place." **Yanti Manurung**

Founders Day: Early Pestalozzi Children Project Talk by Len Clarke

Monday 24th October 2016 was special for both the Early Pestalozzi Children Project and Pestalozzi. This year, Pestalozzi celebrated "Founders' Day" in recognition of the establishment and origin of the charity. The date was selected for having been the charity's inauguration in 1960.

William Eiducks and Len Clarke, founders of the Early Pestalozzi Children Project, attended and made their annual presentation to the new students as well as the general public about the history of the village. An audience of almost 80 people included former Claverham Secondary School PE teacher, Lee Smith and a former Pestalozzi volunteer house assistant, Mike Neighbour (from 1965). There were also six of the "early Pestalozzi" group present.

- : Dr Craig Fees, Archivist at the Planned Environment Therapy Trust (PETT), spoke generously about the Early Pestalozzi Children Project and its importance to the histories of a unique charity.
- : Will and Len concluded the talk with the unveiling of a Founders' display in the entrance of the new Pestalozzi Centre. This important exhibit displays not only the two founders, Dr Henry Alexander and Mrs Mary Buchanan, but also Johann Pestalozzi, Dr Walter Corti (founder of the Swiss Pestalozzi community and inspiration for the British charity) and Eric Bourne (first Warden of the Pestalozzi Children's Village). Each of these five people was significant to the organisation during its early years.



Thank you message from Will and Len

Our thanks go to the Pestalozzi staff for arranging an excellent celebration; to Dr Craig Fees and Fiona Fees for their presence and kind words; to the catering staff for the delicious meal; to the Pestalozzi students for their warm welcome – and to the evening's audience for expressing their

enthusiastic interest. A special thank you goes to our early Pestalozzi family who have been so generous in their appreciation of our efforts.

For more information please visit earlypestalozzichildren.org.uk

Alumni Visits

Throughout the year alumni come and visit the Village where they once lived. Here are a few who have visited in the past 6 months:

 **More success stories at Pestalozzi.org.uk/alumni**



Dawa Zangmo from Bhutan, Syeed Ansari from India and Lobsang Dolma from Tibet. Attended Pestalozzi between 2012-2015



Nitin Khatavkar from India. Attended Pestalozzi from 1978-1991



Youdon Lhamo from Tibet. Attended Pestalozzi from 1965-1971

We are keen to hear from more of our Alumni. Get in touch and share your story since leaving Pestalozzi on alumni@pestalozzi.org.uk or 01424 870444



A special year for Pestalozzi

In 2017 we are celebrating both 60 years since Pestalozzi bought the estate in Sedlescombe and the 20th anniversary of the life changing two year scholarship program. During this special year we are encouraging all alumni to share their memories, reveal their success stories and

impart any advice they may have for our current students. We want to capture all the amazing achievements of Pestalozzi students.

To mark the occasion in style we are organising a reunion in September for all alumni who have been through the two year scholarship. Alumni will have the opportunity to catch up with old friends, re-visit the village and meet the current students. There will be a full calendar of celebrations so look out for more information on the website and email updates.

Join #TeamPestalozzi in the Hastings Half Marathon

Pestalozzi students, staff and trustees are running the Hastings Half Marathon. You can get involved by joining #TeamPestalozzi or by sponsoring us. In 2016, thanks to you, we raised £6,000 which was amazing! This year, we are determined to raise £8,000 to cover the educational costs of one of our young scholars for two years. You can help us achieve this! If you're interested in taking part and would like to request a Runners Pack, please email James on James.Bacon@pestalozzi.org.uk or visit pestalozzi.org.uk/HHM to sponsor the team.

Step by step, together we can make a difference



Goodbye Steffie!

Pestalozzi have had to say goodbye to Student Programme Assistant Estefania Morera Mendez Daly. Steffie has moved to Southampton with her husband Jack Daly and will be taking on an exciting international project management position. In her two years at Pestalozzi Steffie brought a ray of Costa Rican sunshine to everything that she did. She always struck a wonderful balance of approachability and professionalism and will be greatly missed by students and staff alike. Steffie's dog Nora became the Pestalozzi Stress Relief Assistant and will be equally sadly missed. Thank you Steffie (and Nora) for all of your hard work and dedication.



Thank you

To: Steffie

Thank you Steffie for being the first person ever from Pesta who welcomed me, who made Pesta feel like home to me :)

From: Junita Sirait



Donate

Every donation we receive supports a scholarship that helps inspire a young person to make a real difference in the world and will help transform a young person's life. Here's how your donation could help -

£10 could pay for a textbook for an A-level course

£20 could pay for a student's weekly bus pass to college

£50 could cover a student's food for a week

£80 could cover one exam entry

To donate now, please visit Pestalozzi.org.uk/donate, call 01424 870444 to speak to our fundraising team or use the tear-off form on this page. Please remember to sign the Gift Aid declaration if you're eligible, to make your donation go 25% further.

Ways to get involved

There are a variety of ways you can get involved and support Pestalozzi, these include:

- Set yourself a challenge
- Volunteer
- Hold a fundraising event
- Choose us as your charity of the year
- Attend our events
- Display a collection box in your shop or business
- Arrange for us to talk to your group
- Use Easyfundraising.org.uk when shopping online. It's supported by major brands such as Argos, Amazon, Waitrose and John Lewis. Every time you shop, you'll earn a donation for Pestalozzi.



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I enclose a cheque for £ made payable to Pestalozzi International Village Trust

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Please stop claiming Gift Aid on my donations as I am no longer a UK taxpayer

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Please send to Pestalozzi, not to your bank.

Your bank:

Bank address:

Postcode:

Sort code: Account number:

Account name:

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the sum of £

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Please take my gift: Once Monthly Annually

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Signature:

Date:

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Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate.

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Signature:

Date:

We'd love to hear your suggestions for the next Pestalozzi Newsletter. Email Hannah.Nice@pestalozzi.org.uk





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