

## uCPS Orphanage, Kathmandu, Nepal - Update

### May 2008 Visit

Julia and Karen were fortunate enough to visit the home again this year (all of which was self funded) and they are delighted to report that the children are happy, healthy and thriving.

The orphanage moved in March this year from a one bedroom, single storey flat to a brand new 3 storey, 4 bedroom house.

“These little hands will always remain thankful to the people with good heart”

Bharat K.C., manager, C.P.S. Orphanage



Old C.P.S. home

This enables the boys and girls to have separate bedrooms and for Bharat, the manager, and his family to have their own bedroom. They now have a garden which they have cultivated to grow their own vegetables.



4 Fabulous new home



Bharat, Anjana & Abison

In the last two years, Bharat has successfully re-homed two children with their extended families. He told Sarah “I looked into the Uncle’s eyes and told him if he did not love his niece and would not care for her as much as I did, that he should not take her from her C.P.S. family”. Luckily, the Uncle did and the girl has settled well into her new home.

Unfortunately, we no longer have any British Army contacts in Nepal keeping an eye on the day-to-day running of the home. We have every confidence that Bharat will continue to manage the home in the same honest and caring way that he has done since he set it up in early 2004. We have email contact with him via an internet café and try and support him as much as possible through this media.

## Where your money goes

Rent	£100 per month	School Fees	£30 per child per year
Gas	£19 per month	Exercise Books	£7.50 per child per year
Electricity	£2.50 per month	School Uniform	£12 per child per year
Rice	£50 per month	School Shoes	£7 per child per year
Water	£30 per month		
Cooking oil	£21 per month		

Unfortunately, there is no free healthcare in Nepal and in the last year Pushpa (10) had appendicitis, Kabitha (5) had acute tonsillitis and Arjun (12) had mumps. All three were hospitalised for a week which cost over £100 each. Without your kind donations these children would almost certainly have died!

## Fundraising

Not only do we have your wonderful support through standing orders to our Cambridge Building Society account (details below) but we regularly have fundraising events:

- Karen and Steve Chamberlain had a fundraising housewarming/curry night which raised £380
- Julia Adams' Chiropody practice patient's continue to give regular donations
- Sarah Whiteside requested donations instead of presents for her 40<sup>th</sup> birthday raising £180
- Sarah, Julia and Karen have also held coffee mornings and sold fair trade Nepali jewellery and felt which has raised over £1,250
- Reach Arts Fair donated over £240 from their tearoom
- Fenland District Council had a 'dress down day' / coffee morning / jewellery sale which raised £450
- Staff at MPG Group Ltd, Walthamstow Abbey kindly donated over £300
- Sarah's Mum made and sold jam raising £60

We also encourage the children to raise money themselves. Last year they had dancing lessons and went out for Diwali (a Hindu festival) and raised £120 by dancing and singing from house to house.



Practising their moves!



Looking good in traditional dress

Naranjan (13) who is a very good artist has sold some of his sketches.

## **Bank Details – for standing orders and donations**

Cambridge Building Society

Account Name: CPS Orphanage Account Number: 40338346

Sort Code: 20-17-22 Roll/Reference No: 1673091240

Please make cheques payable to: CPS Orphanage

## **What the future holds**

We hope to become a registered charity ..... watch this space!

## **A BIG THANK YOU!**

- Bharat, the Manager, for his devotion, love and care of the children. He has dedicated his life to helping orphaned children
- Steve and Karen Marsh (British Army personnel now in Germany) for all their hard work transforming the orphanage
- All friends and family who have kindly provided superb gift boxes for the children
- All who generously give via monthly standing order
- Everyone who has made a donation, came to a coffee morning and supported our fundraising
- Simon Gibson for visiting the home in September
- Anyone we should have listed individually and have forgotten – sorry!

Quote from letter by Laxman Lama, a twin boy of 7 at the home, who was found clinging (with his brother) to his dead parents days after they were killed in a road accident aged about 3 ½ years old:

“ I pray that you are all fine. If you are sick, who will love us? So I pray you will not be sick. I always miss you. Uncle (Bharat) and Aunti (Anjana) love us very much. Please Madams you will come to meet us, I will give you hug”!

**Without you the orphanage would have closed in November 2006 and the children would be living on the street!**

Many thanks for your wonderful support

Julia Adams, Karen Chamberlain, Sarah Whiteside