

Round Square News



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Cambodia (Students)

We are really excited to have our first RSIS Cambodia Project this year! We have a team of 21 over-excited students plus 2 adults who are going to join our fantastic team of 2 local Project Managers to work in Prokeab village, near Takeo and build them a school. Yes – a whole school in 12 days!

This is the first one-room free school that the community has had, and there is much excitement in the area. The local community has levelled the ground, bought all the supplies and are readying themselves for the influx of new visitors!

The team are building the school, and also a secure gate and fence around it so they have their work cut out for them! They are also visiting many historic sites during the trip, including Angkor Wat, and are also doing cooking classes and weaving with the local community.

We are so proud of our team because they have fund-raised additional funds to enable them to buy 80 bicycles to hand out to needy families in their community!! These bicycles will help children get to school, and help land-mine affected families get around and do their day to day chores. There is a bicycle ceremony with local dignitaries and even the TV people on the 19th December, and our group can leave no better lasting legacy than a new school and 80 families with new bicycles!



Cambodia (Adults)

At the same time as the student group is in Cambodia, there is also an adult group doing a similar Project! We are running a Project Management and Leader Training Workshop for 2 days at the start of the trip for 23 staff (from schools all over the world!) and then 18 of the staff are travelling to Bakot village (about 30km from Prokeab, the student's Project village) and in 10 days are going to also build them a new school! The staff have also been outstandingly generous, and raised enough additional funds to purchase 100 new bicycles and 3 chicken-rearing businesses for the Bakot community. Liz has been left speechless by everyone's generosity, but the local Project Managers and community just cannot believe it! The adult group is visiting the student team for the bicycle ceremony on 19th December, and are also having their own ceremony at Bakot too!



Our fantastic local team of project managers