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Greetings Sponsors, Sister Schools and Members,

Hi everyone,

Again, some better news. Over the last two weeks, the daily numbers of local infections in Bali have been slowly dropping. On 3rd September the daily number was 329 and yesterday it was down from almost 2,000 daily a couple of weeks ago to 256 and 16 deaths. Vaccination is being taken up at a good rate and the Indonesian Government is looking at again opening the domestic borders with a view to some international corridors. Of course, there will be travel requirements such as a negative report and vaccination certificate to gain entry. Green zones for tourism will be set up.

The first sustainable and earthquake resistant school has been built by Classrooms of Hope in Lombok. During the most recent earthquake in Lombok, most buildings around Mataram were damaged or destroyed. The new SD4 Taman Sari was built in less than a week with recycled plastics, broken down into granules, mixed with wood fibres and made into blocks. Such buildings should last 100 years. The elasticity of the blocks makes them safer than traditional construction materials in earthquake prone areas. The lightweight building blocks flex, rather than break. Duncan Ward is the founder and CEO of Classrooms of Hope, the Australian Charity organization that led the eco block project in Lombok. Classrooms of Hope next goal is to build a factory in Indonesia so that plastic waste gathered locally can be processed locally.

After 18 years, detained in the US without charge, the alleged master mind of the 2002 Bali bombing, Hambali (Encep Nurjaman also known as Isamuddin) was formally accused of war crimes this week at the Guantanamo Bay Detention Centre. He and two others were captured in Thailand in 2003. Prosecutors are seeking life sentences for all three, Hambali, Mohammad Farik bin Amin and Mohammad Nazir bin Lep Nurjaman. (Information from Bali Sun 3/9/21). They are accused of conspiring in the 2002 nightclub bombing in Bali and 2003 Marriott Hotel in Jakarta which killed 11 and wounded 80.

Most of you would know that the 2002 Bali bombing was a catalyst for AAS and the Sponsorship programmes being initiated.

The Rice for Rubbish (R4R) programme in Bali has really taken off. Oka has sent some wonderful reports over the last few weeks.

From Oka - RUBBISH FOR RICE PROGRAM

The rubbish for rice program continues in Bebetin Village, Buleleng North of Bali. During two weeks 28 students and elderlies came to our homeward to change their plastic rubbish which was collected from farm, road side etc. They saved their plastic little by little and bring to us when it is full. All of the participants of this program admitted that the rice can help their families during the pandemic as well as keep their environment in better condition and definitely they sent their big thanks to sponsors who make this program.



RUBBISH BIN PROJECT TO SOME SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC PLACES IN BALI

To keep our environment clean and also To support global campaign against plastic rubbish pollution by using 3R (reuse,reduce and recycle) Adopt A School through coordinators in Bali initiated to donate "ORGANIC AND NON ORGANIC RUBBISH BIN" to some schools and public places.the purpose of this program besides keeping our environment clean also EDUCATE students to separate both plastic and non plastic rubbish and manage the rubbish wisely.



Organic Rubbish Bin



Non Organic Rubbish Bin



Bins donated to schools



Food Aid is still being distributed to the most needy in several communities. The clearing of the paddock for the Community vegetable garden is continuing and it is proving to be quite a major job. The boys will concentrate on a smaller area initially and then once that is underway and planted, will continue clearing the remainder of the field. Thank you to everyone who has donated, making these programmes possible.

There is still no confirmation of a date for pupils to return to attending school. Many students are studying on line and those who do not have internet, are provided work packages weekly by their teachers. School fees are still compulsory and graduation certificates from June have been withheld for those unable to pay their fees. Some schools are making arrangements for their donations of \$'s for food provision to go ahead and be distributed to parents, regardless of children still not being able to attend. Reports on that later after the events.

Many of the children on the educational sponsorship programme have not been responsored this year. This could be for various reasons. I am assuming the lockdowns in the Eastern States due to Covid are playing a big part. If the sponsors could confirm with me one way or another please, it would be a big help.

Anyone wanting to donate the AAS Account is at the ANZ Bank.
BSB 016-286
Account 4958-51244

We are thinking of everyone in lockdown and those who are ill and wish you all a speedy recovery.

Many thanks to you all and best wishes.

Regards,

Sherryn Reid, AAS and the team.