



ASET NEWS

AFGHAN SUPPORT EDUCATION TRAINING MAY 2007

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2008 ASET Dinner and Auction 8th March , Thistle Hotel, Cheltenham.

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Teacher Training Course for Kindergarten

40 children and 4 teachers attending the kindergarten—all learning fast!

In April ASET hosted its first training workshop for kindergarten teachers in partnership with another NGO. The teachers enjoyed participating in games and group activities, produced a resource file, and eagerly completed their nightly homework! The course covered universal teaching topics as well as those particular to the developing world – mainly how to cope with classes sizes of 60 children and create interesting lessons with the minimal of resources. The teachers role-

played discipline problems, composed lesson plans and reflected on their own professional development. The course was an excellent introduction for the two new ASET kindergarten teachers all the feedback was extremely positive. The course was a great success and we look forward to holding more of these courses in the future.



Teacher Training

We have now trained 260 teachers and are currently running a \$30,000 programme to dramatically improve the Maths, Physics and Chemistry teaching of the entire district of Dawlatabad. This district covers about 80,000 people.



(left) Engineer Rasul presenting the graduation certificate to the teachers



(right) Thomas and Dan visiting the final days of the Winter Teacher training Programme

Women's Literacy Programme

We are now teaching hundreds of women to read and write in the outskirts of the city in home-based education schemes. These are so popular that we propose to extend these as soon as funding becomes available.

New Office in Ghazni

The office in the province of Ghazni will officially open in June 2007. Staff will include Rob and Iris Antonucci, Dr. Matthias and Daniella and John and Carolyn Montanati plus lots of children! They will operate health and other programmes among the very poor nomadic 'Kuchi' people in that province.



Dr Matthias with villagers



Kuchi Children



John and Carolyn with Erika

Kabul Office and Guest House Managers

Erika Schmidt has now moved into the Kabul Guest House and office. She will take over as soon as John and Carolyn move to Ghazni in the next months. For the time being enquiries should still be directed to John and Carolyn on 0799652651.

Men's Suit Making Project

We are currently running a program to train 50 vulnerable women to make men's suits and trousers, then set them up in their own business. The first 25 have just graduated from the tailoring and business training and the business has been launched. The first results will be out in September 2007!

Hospital and Girl's School

Dr. Virginia Keng has now joined us and begun fund-raising for the building of a hospital and girl's school out in very deprived areas. We hope to combat TB and the highest rate of childbirth maternal mortality in the world.

ASET Dinner 2007/08

Once again the dinner was better than ever and £9,000 was raised to help the most vulnerable people of Afghanistan. Thank you to all those who attended and bought items. This will enable ASET to keep going for another year. A Special thanks to Rachel Browne and her team for organising such a magnificent event and to Tim Goodwright for his 'performance' as auctioneer!



Rachel would love to hear from anyone who would like to help with next year's event, scheduled for Saturday 8th March 2008. Email rachelbrowne@blueyonder.co.uk

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