

SPONSORSHIP

This is a little different to the other gifts as this needs to be an ongoing commitment to an individual or group in Sri Lanka, rather than a single gift.

Sponsor a Teacher's salary Cost £25 a month
We already pay for 20 teachers but as each playgroup has two members of staff as well as a helper some staff work for no pay.

Sponsors for 25 teachers still needed.

Sponsor a month's pre-exam tutoring
Ten children who live in the country and who are very poor have been offered the chance to stay in Batticaloa for a month to be tutored by some very good teachers for their Ordinary-level exams (equivalent to GCSE).

The food and accommodation will cost around £1.66 per day, £11.60 for a week or £50 for the month.

Stationery and Equipment

Basic stationery is vitally important in the education of children of all ages. In Sri Lanka such equipment is very expensive and even what seems very low cost to us is almost impossible for the playgroups to afford. So please look at the items below—giving these things will help enormously. And with some things at 'pocket-money' prices, perhaps children would like to help other children to have some of the things they use every day?

Exercise Books

A pack of 5 writing books costs **20p**

A pack of 5 drawing books costs **30p**



Writing and drawing materials

A pack of 10 pencils costs **60p**

A pack of 12 coloured pencils costs **75p**

A pack of 12 coloured chalk costs **35p**

10 erasers cost **40p**

10 pencil sharpeners cost **60p**

A pack of 6 felt pens costs **90p**



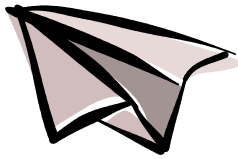
Scissors

Nursery scissors cost **40p each**

Large scissors cost **70p each**



A4 Paper



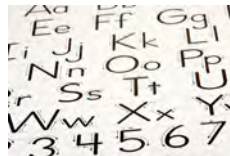
- ★ Ream of white paper costs **£2.50**
- ★ Ream of coloured paper costs **£2.75**

Glue & Paint



- ★ 750 ml bottle of glue costs **40p**
- ★ Set of watercolours costs **70p**
- ★ Set of 10 fabric paints costs **£2.40**

Numbers, Letters and Telling the Time



- ★ Set of numbers (13 pieces) costs **70p per set**
- ★ Set of letters (English) costs **70p per set**
- ★ Set of letters (Tamil) costs **£1.00 per set**
- ★ Mathematical Shapes cost **40p per set**
- ★ Model Plastic Teaching Clock costs **35p each**

Toys and Games—learning through play



- ★ Set of 7 plastic fruits costs **85p**
- ★ Set of plastic animals costs **£1.00**
- ★ Soft balls cost **70p each**
- ★ Building blocks cost **£1.25**

English Language Assistance



- ★ Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary **£11 each**
- ★ Oxford pocket dictionary **£2.30 each**
- ★ Intermediate English Grammar book **£2.50 each**

Potting Tables £30 each



Large Weighing Scales £125



Packs of 10 packets of seeds £15 per pack



Gardening Tools And Equipment

- ★ Wheelbarrow **£19.50**
- ★ Watering can **£8.50**
- ★ Spade **£3.60**
- ★ Hoe **£3.60**
- ★ Rake **£1.40**
- ★ Roll ½" water hose **£11.15**
- ★ Roll 1" water hose **£30.60**



Build a Well £600

★ A well makes a big difference to the lives of the children at our play-groups. This well was built in 2011 by Ocean Stars for Karaveddy Playgroup.



Fencing

A fence post is needed every 10 feet and then barbed wire stretched between them.

1 fence post costs £4.50



Build a Toilet £50

It can bring dignity to families in refugee camps, encourage children to go to school, and can stop the spread of deadly diseases. This gift truly makes a difference to peoples lives.



Chicken House £50 each

Two needed



Chickens for eggs and meat Cost 50p each

300 chickens needed.



Natural Fertilizer £25 per load



Playgroup Buildings Maintenance and Upkeep

The maintenance and upkeep of any building is costly as everyone is aware. The playgroup buildings need cleaning and painting to keep them safe for the children who attend each day and they have asked for our help to achieve this.

Cleaning Equipment

- A mop costs **£4.50**
- A mop bucket costs **£4.20**
- A broom costs **£2.00**
- A dustbin costs **£4.50**
- A plastic bucket costs **£1.40**



Mandoor 1
Playgroup
building



Painting the buildings

- 4 litres of Weatherguard paint for the outside of the playgroup buildings costs **£16.50**
- 4 litres of coloured paint for the interior of the playgroup buildings costs **£12.75**
- A 6" painting brush costs **£4.50**
- A 5" painting brush costs **£4.20**



Furniture and Non-Teaching Equipment

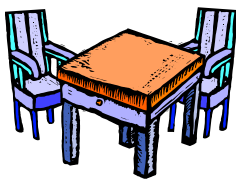
Playgroup Tables and Chairs

Child's Chair Cost £1.90 each

Children's Table Cost £30 each

Big enough to seat four children

Teacher's Chair Cost £4.30 each



Shoe Rack each playgroup needs a shoe rack

One shoe rack costs £11



Water Container Cost £22 each



Playgroup Wall Clock

Cost £1.70



CD Player £50 each

5 CD players needed



Parachutes

Cost £20 each

Ocean Stars Teams who have visited Sri Lanka have introduced some of the children to the fun of playing parachute games.

OST would like to provide our newer playgroups with a parachute and soft balls to use with it.

6 parachutes needed.



Ocean Stars Fishing Boats £120 Each

Give a boat and give a family their dignity back. Following the conflict when fishing was banned for a number of years fishermen are now being allowed to go back to fishing and provide for their families. Up to five fishermen use a boat so five families benefit from this gift



A goat

Give a **goat** and you could provide a family with milk to drink and kids to sell on at market. **Cost £15.**



**Craft class for women
£15 per month**

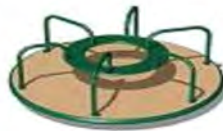
Each week a group of women in the Batticaloa area meet for an arts and craft class supported by OST. They gain skills and the items they make are sold to give them a small income.

£15 will provide materials for one month.



Playground equipment Total Cost £300

£100 needed to buy merry-go-round. Other play equipment also needed for children who have no access to toys or play equipment.



Sewing machines Cost £125 each

We have had requests from four people for a sewing machine. This can be the start of a small business and so the provision of a sewing machine can help lift a family out of poverty.



4 machines needed

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First Aid Box Cost £27 each

Each playgroup needs a first aid kit to help with minor injuries.



Drink Bottle: Cost £1 each

In the heat during the morning while the children are at playgroup, having a bottle means that they all have water when they need it.



Playgroup Uniform Cost £3.50 each

A uniform gives a poor child a sense of pride and belonging, and creates a sense of equality. We would like to be able to provide every child with a uniform.



School Bags Cost £3.50 each

Ocean Stars would like to provide every child in its playgroups with a school bag



Saris for Playgroup teachers

Cost £20 each

30 saris needed



