

# THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

For Projects Abroad Sri Lanka 



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## IT centre certificate awarding ceremony

Projects Abroad Sri Lanka conducts free IT courses to the less fortunate children in the Panadura area through our own IT centre which is located in Panadura city. Any student can come and register for IT courses for free, and attend classes and practical sessions presented by Projects Abroad Sri Lanka volunteers, under the coordinator's guidance.

In addition to the IT courses the students get an opportunity to speak in English with the volunteers. which is certainly a plus point! There is a curriculum at the centre, which is frequently upgraded with the help of volunteers. We have six computers at the moment and there is a great potential for development. We managed to set up an internet connection this week! Thanks to all those who have been involved over the years. Your efforts have proven amazingly fruitful.



Volunteers and some of the students

Recently we have given away the certificates for those who completed their courses. We would like to congratulate them.



Volunteers and the student after being awarded the certificates



Our recent volunteers with the coordinator and staff



## Launch of New projects

Projects Abroad Sri Lanka is glad to be able to offer two new projects; Business placements and Journalism which were launched in October. We are waiting to welcome new volunteers to our newest placements in Colombo.

### Business Projects in Sri Lanka

Volunteers joining the Business project in Sri Lanka will have the opportunity to work in one of the most exciting economies in the world.

This project is perfect for those who are on a gap year looking to be accepted into a business course at university, or for those who are simply looking to break into a fast paced business sector, where business knowledge and experience are acquired. The Business placements focus mainly on marketing, public relations, human resources, accountancy and finance. Should you be interested in other business areas, please contact us for more information on these possibilities.



### Journalism in Sri Lanka

As a volunteer on the Journalism project in Sri Lanka, you will gain cutting-edge work experience in the field of journalism. Whilst living and working in the buzzing capital, Colombo, you will gain a substantial amount of work experience; there is never a dull moment and you'll find plenty to report on.

Projects Abroad have a print, radio and media house (News Channel, News Web and TV) journalism placements running in Colombo. These placements are ideal for university students and graduates. However, if you are an experienced journalist then there are also plenty of opportunities for you; this is your chance to put together a portfolio of journalistic work whilst living on the beautiful island of Sri Lanka.



**Inside and outside of the Business placement**



## IN PICS: Social Outreach in Vajira Children's Home

Nicole Subramaniam, A French girl, collected funds to help Vajira Children's Development Center where she volunteered for

four weeks. She helped buying kitchen utensils, health & hygiene materials for the children and painting materials. She

rounded up some of the other volunteers, asking for their help for painting the

Montessori inside the center. All volunteers earnestly gathered for helping this good cause. Many thanks to everyone who came to lend a MASSIVE helping hand!!!!

*"Travel brings power and love back into your life."*

— Rumi





# A WORD FROM THE EDITOR



It's been another lovely month for everyone. Approximately fifteen volunteers worked in different locations around Sri Lanka this month. Three of them were placed at the IT centre, owned by Projects Abroad Sri Lanka.

During the month of October we were able to organize a social outreach at one of our placements. The children of the pre-school were happy to see their colour-washed classroom with an arts and crafts exhibition on the following day.

We are glad to launch our new business and journalism placements too. We expect to receive new volunteers from November. In addition, we have also started a Japanese language teaching project in a temple near Panadura. The first Japanese volunteer will arrive in November.

We encourage everyone to help keep this newsletter interesting by sending their own articles and pictures of their experiences at our projects. These will help others learn more about beautiful Sri Lanka.

Email me at [manjulameemanage@projects-abroad.org](mailto:manjulameemanage@projects-abroad.org) if you have anything that you would like to share.

Thank you for reading this newsletter. We hope you enjoy it.