

Our Trip to Sri Lanka

In October this year our family visited St Anthony's Boy's home. Our visit to the Orphanage was inspired by my 7 year old daughter "Delani". It was her birthday in February 2009 and after receiving so many Xmas presents last year she decided to save them birthday gifts all and give to an Orphanage. This was an idea of hers after we visited Bali the year before and took a suitcase full of toys for an orphanage.

We found the orphanage through the website and made our way up there a week after we arrived. Unfortunately the day we arrived we missed both Fred and Olivia, but we were welcomed with open arms by the kids and carers anyway. I have over the years visited many orphanages and there is one thing that stood out for me on our arrival. It was like visiting a family home. The kids were so well mannered, thankful and eager to practise their English.

We handed out a toy for each child and I believe Olivia has put some away for Xmas. Olivia was disappointed that she missed us and ended up visiting our Aunty in Colombo to try and catch up with us. We were still on our travels and we were also sorry we missed her. We are committed to continue our support to the Orphanage. I would also like to recognise what a great job Olivia and Fred do with the children who are lucky enough to be in their care.

We will be over there next year with plenty more gifts and planning to stay for a few days with my family to assist.

Merry Xmas to all and God Bless.

Vanessa, Dirk, Delani and Brayden

The David Family.