

ANNUAL SUMMARY

The Founder, VITAL

Welcome to the 2008/2009 Annual Report of VITAL. It was an exciting and busy year raising much money through many enjoyable events.

Working with the children from the school VITAL supports simply brings home the gross injustice for these children whose future has been stolen by enduring a life of child labour or trafficked into a life of child prostitution. These children have been denied food, shelter and education, hence our vision of *working towards a world where no child must suffer the injustice of poverty.*

The generosity of the general public, our various private and corporate donors, and the huge commitment of our many volunteers has enabled us to sustain our work, supporting our beneficiaries in our many projects.

No words can express my gratitude to each and every one of you for your support. Your continued help is needed now more than ever. Please help us to continue our work for the children.

All the best

Yvonne Neuman
Founder

VITAL

VITAL welcomed two new Trustees on the Board: Gloria Proops and Michelle Fraedrick. Their invaluable experience in the charity sector will greatly improve the capabilities of VITAL.

In November 2008 and March 2009, Yvonne (Founder) and Michelle (Trustee) taught the children in the schools that VITAL supported.

It was decided that the two Nabadisha schools in Taratala and Bowbazar were able to sustain themselves without the support of VITAL.

VITAL partnered an NGO to support a school in Gondia and Kashipur village.

SUPPORT

NEUMAN FOUNDATION

With the support of the Neuman Foundation, all administrative costs are covered so that **100% of donors' contributions** reach the children in need within the year it is donated.

The Neuman Foundation donated funds for the manufacture of VITAL sweatshirts and shopping bags.

CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP

WESTROCK LIMITED donated the funds for flight and accommodation for Yvonne to work directly with the children.

AFTERSHOCK LIMITED kindly donates each month.

VOLUNTEERING

Gifts in kind continue to be donated in voluntary worth.

RIAN HIGHERS for the design of VITAL stationery and business cards.

JULIE CINQOZ-SPENCER, GLORIA PROOPS, ARAVINDA and MITHRA

NEUMAN for their help and support in the successful operation of VITAL.

The value of their contribution is almost impossible to quantify.

EVENTS

VITAL raised funds from participants in two triathlons: the world's largest triathlon in London and a small triathlon in Locarno, Switzerland.

Debbie Dale organized two Indian cooking lessons at VAMA.
Gloria Proops and Debbie organized a trip to visit the Gardens of Highgrove.

INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTERS

Many of our donations are from individuals either on a one off or regular basis.

We are deeply indebted to all our supporters for their commitment and generosity. Whether trust or foundation, individual, company or volunteer, their help makes it possible for us to help realize the dreams of hundreds of children. Words cannot express our gratitude to you. To see their huge, innocent, heart warming smiles is the greatest reward we could ever receive.

VITAL AND BEYOND

Despite the downturn in the world economy VITAL was able to raise enough funds to support the existing projects

VITAL has made significant progress during 2008/2009 and is extremely appreciative of the efforts of all its supporters and volunteers.