

# NEWSLETTER Asian Foundation

Psalm 127: 'Unless the Lord builds the house,  
its builders labour in vain...'

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## Winter

It has been a difficult winter for many people in Mongolia. Because of the strict lockdown people were not allowed to go to work and many suffered from hunger. Via our organization we have been able to give out food parcels to several families, including some where the man or woman had lived in our care as a child. Some of them were in real difficulties and were very happy to receive these supplies.

## Clothes

From an organization we received a donation of sports clothing for our children. Also from a lady who likes to knit, some nice jumpers and cardigans. The children were really happy with both.



Packages and letters can be sent again to the children. **Please send directly to Mongolia and NOT to the Dutch address of Asian Foundation.** Postal address is: (name of child)  
Postbox 337, Ulaanbaatar 49, Mongolia.

## Holiday

After a second school year in which the children have had online school lessons because of corona, and strict regulations from the government, they are looking forward to the summer holiday which begins in June and lasts till 1<sup>st</sup> of September. The children have done very well in these circumstances where they have not been able to see their school friends, Hongoroo will tell more later in this newsletter. The house mothers have helped them with all the schoolwork they had to do at home and luckily our social worker and manager have also been able to lend a hand.

## Laptops

All children, from big to small, in the city and in Kharkhorin, have had school online. You can understand that this was not easy as each foster home has only one computer. I, (Corry) was able to lend my laptop and we were also gifted one from a well-wisher in Mongolia. Some work could be done via TV and smartphones but as you can imagine it was far from ideal. We really need more computers for our students, but we hope above all that the schools will be open again in September.



Dear Sponsors,

*I hope everything is going well with you all and that you have remained healthy. In Mongolia we are doing well. The long winter is over, spring is also disappearing, and summer is coming. That's always a cause for happiness here as the children are really looking forward to going to the countryside. The summer is the best season for the children, they get to spend a lot of time in the fresh air, enjoying time in the nature, and with the animals there and playing all day outside in the fields. As you know the last two years have not been normal winters for us because of covid. The children were unable to go to school and all lessons were done at home. One of our house mothers became ill with covid and several children got it too. Thankfully they have all recovered and it didn't spread further between the foster homes. During the strict lockdown we had a programme for the children every day with different activities. That helped enormously with the long days of being shut in the foster homes. Now we are getting ready to go to the countryside for the summer. Thank you, dear sponsors that you are such a big help for us. God bless Hongoroo*



### Kharkhorin

In our last newsletter we told you about our house in Kharkhorin. We wrote of the great need that there is in that area, and that whilst we have the room for new children in our home we do not have enough sponsors to be able to facilitate this. For children who have no one to take good care of them there is no other place where they can go. They often then get taken in by another family who treat them as slaves. They live in awful circumstances and are not allowed to go to school. In one wing of our foster home we have taken in children and given them a safe home and the chance to all go to school. How we would love to be able to take in even more children in the other wing of the home which still has room.

After writing this we received several new sponsors for one or more children and some children who didn't yet have a sponsor now have one, for which we are thankful.



Because the roads out of the city have been shut off during the lockdown it has been impossible for Hongoroo to go out to Kharkhorin and visit. Also, we couldn't take in any new children because the government offices have all been closed. Next week everything is due to open and Hongoroo is planning to go there. Of course, if we open up the other wing to take in more children this has consequences in all areas. There have to be new leaders to take care of the children. This means extra costs for salaries, but also for electricity and heating, and clothing etc. It would be great if we could get more monthly sponsors to be able to cover this.

As far as covid is concerned, the children in Kharkhorin have fared better than those in the city. They have still been able to go outside and are keeping the work in the greenhouse and vegetable garden going.

This summer two of the older girls are moving to our girls' home in the city as they are going to start studying at the university in September.

We want to thank God for his faithful care for us all. We thank Him for our health and that we have all our needs met. We are thankful for all our faithful sponsors and those who support us in any way, and for those who pray for us. Thank you each one for your commitment.

We wish you all a happy summer holiday!

For Asian Foundation,  
Corry Vreugdenhil and Hongoroo.



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