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Camping

In August this year, the sisters took the children camping. They all slept in 'home-made' tents... for the children, it really was an experience! The children also enjoyed a number of trips - among others, to the Elephant Orphanage Pinnawella, the impressive Sigiriya(Lion) rock and the golden cave temple of Dambulla. It is so good that, because of these excursions, the children can experience the special aspects of their own beautiful country. They also enjoyed mountain walks and, of course, ... played lots of games! And in the evenings there was always singing around the campfire... altogether an experience that they all enjoyed enormously.











Exams

At the end of November, all the girls had to take their school exams... and we are delighted to report that they all passed! In Sri Lanka, the school year runs between January and December, and each year the children must pass their exams in order to progress to the next year's grade. The end of the school year is always celebrated with a party on the grounds of Kelaniya and it is wonderful to see how much the children enjoy it.



Lanka

Lanka is one of the children that lost her parents 14 years ago, during the tsunami. She has been under the wing of Sister Amatha ever since. Now, she has found

a good job at a Colombo hotel. It is encouraging to hear that she has done so well and that she can now "stand on her own two feet". Sister Amatha still keeps an eye on her progress and, of course, remains in contact. She is in fact, a mother to Lanka and the orphanage is Lanka's home!





Holidavs!

The holidays have begun so what could be nicer than learning cake baking! In mid-December, the children will prepare the Christmas stable with Joseph, Mary and the child Jesus and also start to decorate the Christmas tree. Just like last year, the children will celebrate Christmas all together.



Birthdays

The children always make beautiful birthday cards for one another. And we are delighted that, last year, we could provide Sister Amatha with additional money so that she could also buy presents for the childrens' birthdays. Now and then we receive extra donations which give us the opportunity to arrange something special for "our" children... it's so pleasing.

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If you currently receive this Newsletter by post and would prefer to receive it by e-mail, please let us know. Simply send an email to: penningmeester@stichtingnetherlandssrilanka.nl.

A new look Website!

Our website has recently been updated! We are delighted with the result. Interested to see what's new?

Simply visit www.stichtingnetherlandssrilanka.nl. Our sincere thanks to Jurgen Wirtz, who created this website for us. Should you no longer wish to receive this Newsletter, you can, of course, always cancel it through the website.



Working visit

On 10th to 25th January 2019, two of our board members will be in Sri Lanka on a working visit. They plan to stay a couple of days in each of the orphanages. We hope they will have an enjoyable time with the children and sisters and, of course, it will be good for our board members to be able to discuss all developments with Sister Amatha!



Our sincere thanks for all your support during the past year!



With kind regards,



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