



Through a variety of fundraising activities, the charity has been able to provide resources for numerous schools (including special schools) across the Fiji Islands, as well as for children's homes, kindergartens, hospitals and health centres.

All the goods were personally delivered to the beneficiaries. Once again transport costs were kept to a minimum with significant help from shipping companies both in the UK and in the Fiji Islands. We again paid for our own air fares to Fiji and our accommodation whilst there.

In February 2017 we returned to the Fiji School for the Blind with large print books for the partially sighted children and a CD player and several 'talking books' for all the children to enjoy. We sat with a group of children as they listened to one of the stories and it was a thrill to hear them laughing and obviously having fun.

In March 2017 we provided a number of diagnostic kits for the children's department at the CWM in Suva.

Our project to construct a bridge over the Korotari River on Vanua Levu was completed in March 2017 and children are now getting to school regularly and safely. Previously over 100 children had to wade through the river each day on their way to and from school. When it rained heavily the river became impassable and so the children missed school altogether. The cost of the project was shared between *Children of Fiji*, the Fiji Government and the Australian High Commission.

Whilst visiting the project we organised for solar lights to be fitted on the bridge to give added security when it is used after sunset.

In October 2016 we visited Dogotuki Primary School, Vanua Levu. The school had just two toilets to serve the whole school (140 children and 8 members of staff). Since that visit we have been able to fundraise for a new sanitation block comprising 3 toilets for the girls and 2 toilets and a urinal for the boys, along with adequate washing facilities, a covered walkway and an extra 10,000 litre water tank. The existing toilets have been upgraded for use by the staff at the school. The official opening of the toilet block took place in March 2017.

Children at Vuanicau Primary School on Qamea were struggling to access school, particularly after the island suffered major landslides along the coast. In February 2017 we provided the school with a 23 ft fibreglass boat with outboard motor and all the necessary safety equipment. We plan to visit the school in September 2017.

Fundraising during this time took various forms. We held a number of sales, at which we sold charity merchandise, as well as donated items. We carried out street collections in our local area. As well as being very successful financially, these also helped to raise awareness about the situation in Fiji. We have produced quiz sheets to sell at £1 per copy and this has proved to be a very popular way of raising money. We made applications to a number of Charity Trusts and were also successful with some of these.

Several people took part in sponsored events to raise money for the charity. These included running events and a cycle ride from Worksop to Paris.

We have regularly been invited to give charity talks about our work with disadvantaged children in Fiji to Rotary Clubs, women's groups, church groups, schools and other organisations. Whenever we are given a speaker's fee, this is donated to *Children of Fiji*. In many cases we have also been given individual donations of money or goods.

CHILDREN OF FIJI ACCOUNT SUMMARY**15th Jan. 2017 to 14th Jan 2018****INCOME**

		£
a	Private donations	£21,230.27
b	Corporate donations / Trusts	£16,456.87
c	Sales and sale events	£931.42
d	Other events	£2,079.22
ei	Interest	£539.79
eg	Gift Aid	£1,476.53

TOTAL INCOME £42,714.10

Larger donations of new materials from companies/individuals see other side
This does not include donated second hand items for which it is difficult to estimate a value.

EXPENDITURE

		£
f	Postage and administration	£96.26
g	Expenses (for c and d) incl. stationery	£316.00
h	Charity spending	£33,060.44

TOTAL OUTGOINGS £33,472.70

Income minus expenditure for financial year	
15/01/17 to 14/01/18	£ 9,241.40
Balance brought forward from previous year	£29,330.27

CURRENT BALANCE OF ACCOUNT**£38,571.67****Estimated value of current disposable stock****£750**

Accounts verified by

.....*K. Curaby*..... Date *03/02/18*

<u>Description</u>	<u>Approx value £</u>
Resources for School for the Blind	£1000
Pre-school equipment	£1200
New born baby boxes	£700
Medical supplies	£300
Books	£250
Rugby Kit	£200
Stationery	£1000

£4650

In addition we have had a number of donations from individuals companies and schools, mostly of second hand books, toys, clothes etc, for which it is not possible to give a value.

We have also received free / discounted transport or services from such companies as

Sopac Shipping
Patterson's Shipping (Fiji)
Williams and Gosling (Fiji)
Vanguard Logistics
The Works
Woods Removals, Dorchester
The Fabric Barn, Queen Camel
Barclays Bank Plc
Vodafone Fiji



Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name

CHILDREN OF FISH

On accounts for the year ended

140115

Charity no (if any)

1082331

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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed

PK Purdy

Date

03/02/18

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