



Earlier in the year, as part of a Geography project, the school achieved the British Council's Foundation International School award for its multi-cultural work.

As part of this work, we have made a link with a school in Tigray, Ethiopia, in Africa, called Elshadai Elementary School. You may recall that at the beginning of this school year we collected old school uniforms so that we could send them to the children to wear to school. The school is part of a project by SHARE (Sheffield Health Action Resource for Ethiopia), which is a Sheffield based charitable organisation of volunteers, who have been supporting healthcare projects in the Tigray region of Ethiopia for 16 years. It has worked with the Elshadai Wukro Children's Village since 2010, specifically by contributing to:

- Essential dental healthcare and supplies
- Additional clothing, including school uniforms
- Educational materials & classroom supplies
- Healthcare education
- Provision of toys, games and celebration ceremonies

The village was founded in 1989 to provide a safe, nurturing home with access to education and health care for 160 children, orphaned by civil war, famine and HIV/AIDs. It is partly self-sufficient from its 11 hectare farm and provides onsite schooling for children aged from 5 to 11 years.

SHARE's mission is to support the village on its journey to self-reliance; securing a bright future for the children and securing sponsorship for all 160 children.

If you think you could sponsor our friends at Elshadai Elementary School or offer a donation please visit SHARE's website – www.sharesheffield.org.uk or email sponsorachild@sharesheffield.org.uk. 100% of donations go directly to Elshadai.

There are also leaflets about SHARE with all the sponsorship/donation details at the office or in Class 5 Foxes.

We have sent letters and posters to the children this year and will be collecting sportswear, such as old football kits, shorts, etc. for the children **after the summer holidays**, so please start collecting these now! We will also be arranging some joint projects with the school in the near future so that we can learn from each other.

The children in Ethiopia are so happy to think that they have friends here in the UK who are thinking about them and, in turn, the children at Hunter's Bar Infant School, are always thinking of ways we can help our friends in Ethiopia.

Thank you

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