

Hello friends!

The Morgan Jayne Children's
Foundation

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Welcome!

Kids in Canada and USA head back to school this month, we wish them a great year! In Roatan our kids have been going strong since February. Thanks to your support they have been thriving, learning and having some amazing experiences! Check out a few of our pics and updates below. If you have not joined our Facebook group please make sure you join us at Charmont Bilingual Academy to share our progress and adventures!

Did you know?

September 10 is Children's Day in Honduras. What a cool celebration! It is a chance for adults to appreciate the joy and wonder kids bring to our lives! Thanks Bananarama for letting us use your facilities and for the pizza! Ken and Susan Nicoll provided bus fare and popsicles, thanks! And our kids got to experience a glass bottomed boat and explore the beauty of their ocean and coral reefs. Awesome day for the kids, thanks to everyone who made it happen!



Meet our teachers!

We have amazing teachers at Charmont Bilingual Academy! Meet Jaiden Lal



I'm 19 years old, I was born in Drumheller Alberta. Some of my favorite things are skateboarding, reading, and I have always loved writing and public speaking. Moving initially from Canada to Australia is a big reason why I decided to come to Roatan to be a teacher. I gained so much by being in a new environment out of my comfort zone, that when I was offered the job I knew that it would be such a learning experience for me. I have wanted to volunteer in a third world country for a long time, and I feel like the only thing separating me from somebody in poverty is luck. It's my responsibility as someone with privilege to put it to good use and help people who need it. I love coming to school every morning and getting so many hugs, that's one of the best parts. I really love teaching Grade 5/6 in the morning, I have so much fun with them because they have so much enthusiasm. Teaching Skate Club is something else that I really love. It's great to be able to share something that I'm passionate about with the kids and they love it.

This experience has changed me because it's really helped put things into perspective for me. A year ago I thought that the biggest thing to strive for was money, but now it's really clear to me that isn't important. Valerie told me that you fill your heart up by enriching the lives of other people, and that's what I want to do now. I would recommend coming to teach at Charmont Bilingual Academy because it's a job my heart is invested in. Living in the compound feels like being part of a big family. It's a great place, and the experience is unique.

Meet our students!

We would love to introduce all of them eventually... And hope you have a chance to head down and say hi to them one day!

Nahomy is 9 years old. She is in grade 5 and loves to play with her cats and color pictures. She is a really great reader and speller



Stefeny is 12 years old. She is in grade 6 and she loves to read. Stefeny is very bright, and reads a new chapter book every day!



Shout out to Yanika! She is academically in first place for grade 10 and won the Kindness Award for the entire school. Congratulations Yanika!



Monthly miracles...

We are constantly amazed by the generosity of our donors! Our donors recognize how special the school is, many even visit and are welcome to do so! We are grateful, this all happens because of you! Thanks to all of you who helped us with rent and utilities. We run at a deficit every month in this tough economy and your commitment means everything to keep this project going.

This month one of our donors purchased a new car. Valerie Nelson, our school coordinator, has been driving a car in poor condition, picking up 11 kids a day to bring them to school. The new vehicle was definitely needed and will help transport more kids safely to school. Walking to school poses a huge risk to our kids. Health risks from long treks, hot weather and dangers such as kidnappings are a reality they face. Thank you Jody Olhouser for your generous gift and Fred Makowecki for the cool decals!



Groovin' in new tees! Thanks Shara Dorris! Shara is an artist from Anchorage, Alaska who volunteers at CBA. She printed tees for all the kids from her marine line. The kids love the new digs and will be wearing them on Casual Fridays. Visit her website and checkout her cool designs and merchandise!

<https://www.octopusink.com/>



Farewell and thank you!

Gisolle has been a volunteer with us since July and has been nothing short of amazing. Her bright smile and positive attitude will be missed when she leaves us to return to Chile. Gisolle graced us with her artistic talents and transformed a classroom ceiling into a beautiful tree that the students will now have for years to come. We wish Gisolle the best of luck and hope that her path brings her back to us again!

Volunteers are welcome and critical to our operation. If you want to be part of an amazing adventure please contact us, we would love to have you!

Our current biggest needs:

Bus sponsors: \$20US or \$25CDN / month to help get our kids safely to school!

Rent: Our rent subsidy has been eliminated and we run a shortfall every month. \$750US/month. Power is pricy on the island. \$500US / month and also keeps our new AC units going so kids can learn when the heat gets to be too much!

Lunch specials: We are lucky to have Rotary Club partner with us but cost of food has gone up. \$125US will sponsor the shortfall or smaller donations can sponsor a lunch special!

Want more info? Feel free to contact us anytime or visit our online sites below!

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