

# International Schools Partnership Programme:

Bringing children together, encouraging positive cultural perspectives, & fostering engaged, well-informed global citizens



Partner West Africa is a UK-registered charity & your partner to link children from the UK to children from Africa:

Our '[Schools Partnership Programme](#)' (SPP), launched in 2013, is one of our most successful projects. It offers your school the opportunity to hand-pick, from a selection of rich & rewarding educational & cultural activities, a programme that will best-suit your student's learning needs. Our initiatives are well tested, designed by highly-experienced UK education experts, & delivered in a way which minimises the burden on you to research, cultivate and manage what are often complex international relationships & logistics. Welcome to global, cultural outreach opportunities made simple.

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**FOCUS ON WHAT BRINGS CHILDREN TOGETHER, NOT WHAT SEPARATES THEM**

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**EXPLORE 'CHILD RIGHTS' & 'ACCESS TO EDUCATION' FIRST-HAND**

**3**

**PREPARE CHILDREN TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE GLOBAL CITIZENS**



Activities available to suit students between 4 & 18 years of age.



A broad range of educational & cultural projects & initiatives to choose from



Enjoy all the educational & cultural benefits without the risks and ground-work involved in establishing quality, complex international relationships

## Why Choose Partner West Africa (PWA):

This programme presents a unique opportunity to combine valuable charitable work with global educational & cultural activities that include:

- Link directly with schools & students in West Africa, from traditional pen-pal structures to modern live video & social media links;
- Undertake shared academic projects that allow your students to share their thoughts, stories & hopes with children from different circumstances but surprisingly similar perspectives;
- Enjoy work underpinned by values which break down cultural barriers & prejudice; examining the world through the eyes of children who have not yet inherited assumed 'truths' about 'the other';
- Examine critical global issues - such as 'the rights of the child', 'access to education', 'global development', 'inequality', and 'wealth distribution', through initiatives that bring the subjects to life, placing them in a



real-world context that is relatable & personal;

- Encourage responsible global engagement by supporting underprivileged West African children through ethical, well-structured fund-raising & charitable activities designed & implemented by Partner West Africa working in conjunction with your school & students;
- Arrange well-balanced, safe, cultural exchange and/or field trips to visit your new partners & friends in West Africa, utilising PWA's dedicated and permanent, sector-leading team of development & education experts & dedicated African facilities.

[Email us to learn more](#)

### WHAT YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAMMES PROVIDES:

Amongst a broad range of PWA projects partially funded by this programme, your participation might, for example, fund our Childcare Centre for underprivileged children from the traditional fishing village of Oshieye, Ghana. Here, up to 70 of the most vulnerable pre-school-aged local children receive critical care each day. Clothes, shoes, a nutritious feeding & clean water programme, daily healthcare, annual health insurance, family social support, and access to a pre-school education are provided 100% free of charge. In a community in which 1 in 5 children die before their 5th birthday, your school will save, not just enrich, the lives of many West African children.



## A FUNDRAISING MODEL WHICH MINIMISES SCHOOL BUDGET & MAXIMISES PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT:

One of the most successful aspects of the Partner West Africa International School's Partnership Programme is that it is free to the school. That is, it removes the need for budget allocation from your school by instead asking the parents and families of students to decide whether they would like to support the programme by making an affordable monthly donation to our charity.

Whether you introduce the programme school-wide, by year group, or by House, we can provide you with the resources to present the scheme to your student's parents and families. By laying out the many benefits of the programme that their children will receive and enjoy, while also demonstrating the valuable charitable work undertaken by PWA to reduce child poverty, protect child rights, and ensure all children are provided with access to education, we encourage the parents and families of the children to support the spirit of the programme by supporting charitable work. Some of these cost may be used to cover the resources and activities involved in the programme - such as project resources, the costs of staff to visit your school & help manage the programme, the cost of logistics & communications between your students & their peers in Africa, and, in some cases, the costs associated with field trips and programme events or excursions.

### For Example:

*If you decide to introduce the programme to a year group of 200 students, and the families of those students can be encouraged to donate £1 per month, safely & securely online through a dedicated fundraising page for your school, £2,400 will be raised annually to support our charity's work and cover all costs associated with delivering the programme. High quality feedback, such as videos, photo-books, or letters of thanks from the children and families we support, will be provided to your school as a record of the impact your school has had through engaging in the programme. This approach allows PWA to provide you with close and expert supervision, a rich range of resources, and the reward of having contributed to a range of incredibly important development projects for vulnerable children in Africa.*

To learn more about the work our charity does, and the work your school would help fund through this programme, [please visit our website here](#)

