

Change of Registered Charity Number



As a charity we are always looking for ways to improve value for money in everything we do. We were established 47 years ago and as you can imagine our constitution is now rather outdated. We have therefore worked with the Charity Commission to update both our constitution and organisational form. From 1st July 2022 the charity commission have established Children of the Dump (Asian Students Christian Trust) as a Charity Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the new charity number 1198301.

This will allow the charity to gain the benefits currently available to companies without the burden of dual registration by both the Charity Commission and Companies House. The Charity Commission has sole responsibility for its formation and registration.

The mission and objects of the Charity remain identical and our passion for the work in Manila is as strong as ever. We thank you for your continued support.



Kay Mackay
CotD Chair

Cashew Graduation Ceremony

We are at the end of the school year in Manila. Our 4–6-year-old Cashew Early Years students had to learn mainly at home as the government had not allowed normal classes this year due to COVID. The children (and staff of course) all did so well, and a happy 1-hour online ceremony was held this month. Most children complete 2 years at Cashew Tree Early Years School and then move into the state elementary schools. For those that are graduating after 2 years they have been taught the confidence and routine to succeed in public school and they won't require further help from Children of the Dump. A real cause for celebration. A small number of the most needy children may be selected to join the Grapevine Scholarship scheme for on-going support from Children of the Dump

Some children will be the first in their families to complete a full year of schooling. The children get certificates to commemorate their graduation. Parents are so proud that many of these certificates go straight onto the wall in the flimsy shacks where they live, perhaps as the only form of decoration, and will stay there all year. The really exciting part is that finally it looks as though the government is going to allow full classroom face to face schooling to begin shortly.



Changing young lives, one at a time.

Caring and educating vulnerable children in the Philippines.

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