Appeal:

Ganga Valley School are always very grateful for donations and volunteers spending time at the school to share their skills. We are always welcoming to visitors who want to spend time with the children at school, especially during holiday time when there are long days to fill. We appeal for people who can offer their expertise in Computers, Music and other areas to get in touch with the school. We are especially keen to find someone to help with piano as we are finding it difficult to source these skills locally. Please remember that you do not have to be a teacher to share your skills and help our children.

- We ask that kind donors give to a fund to be shared amongst all homestay pupils to accommodate their general needs and perhaps provide occasional treats.
- We also have a vision that individuals could agree to sponsor a particular area of need for all homestay children, for example provide new shoes or uniform for all homestay pupils and not just one

Our particular areas of need are:

- *Clothing, shoes and schoolbags*: We understand that in foreign countries these items are often used for a short time and discarded whilst still in good condition, but they would be most useful for our children. Donations of money to buy these items new would also be gratefully received.
- *Vitamin supplements and medicines*: We aim to keep our pupils as healthy as possible. These items are vital in caring for the children.
- *Games and toys*: The pupils enjoy their free time and are always so happy to have new toys to share.
- **Outings/Holidays and Festivals**: With little extra money it is hard to provide these extra treats for our homestay pupils. The pupils are happy, content and hard working. We would love to have enough money to show how much they are appreciated by giving them special experiences, for example camping, days out and treats at festival times.
- *Computer technology:* We want to offer our pupils the best opportunities in line with other countries, however computer equipment such as laptops, digital cameras, scanners, printers and internet connection are expensive costs for our school. Currently we have one desktop computer and four laptops for all pupils to share. Help towards these costs would mean we could buy additional equipment and our children can advance their ICT skills.
- **School materials:** We are always in need of additional school materials such as pencils, pens, exercise books, reading and course books, colouring pencils, geometry sets, practical materials to support early maths and literacy skills, plain paper... the list goes on!

Promising pupils:

Certain pupils at Ganga Valley School show great aptitude for learning and dedication to their studies. The school teaches children throughout their Primary studies, however does

not provide a Secondary curriculum. Currently homestay pupils Divesh, Santosh and Gitendra only have the future option of government school which will not nurture their talent or provide the best opportunities for them. We ask that donors may consider paying private school fees to ensure the best teaching for these pupils at an alternative secondary school. We also have a view to build on their individual areas of interest and talent by providing extra private tuition, for example in Computers or Science.

If you feel you can support our appeals in any way, or would like to find out more information, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We will be most grateful to hear from you.