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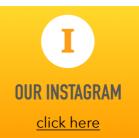
Welcome to Sanon's March newsletter, we hope our news finds you and your loved ones well and safe.

This month's newsletter and subsequent will not be in the same vein as the past 6 months we have a different story to tell.

The story of Sanon, why and how it came to be created and why more than ever it is important that we continue to support the disadvantaged and underprivileged youths in Myanmar. Continuing to support them in creating lives and building futures. It is one year ago exactly that we closed Sanon Training Restaurant due to Covid 19. It will continue to remain closed and we are continuing to support our students and staff remotely financially and pastorally in any way we can.









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Help Us Help Them Make a donation: <u>click here for more</u> information We desperately need **YOU to support US in supporting THEM.** We are asking you to help in whatever way you can in donating to our cause now more than ever. We are not ever giving up on being able to reopen Sanon Training Restaurant and will continue to support our staff and students in whatever way we can all be it remotely.

Thank you. To make a donation click here for more information.

Student Update

We do know that our students are safe in their respective villages and towns in Myanmar and we would like to say thank you to those who have enquired into their wellbeing. They would like to express their thanks for your and our financial support of them during what has been and continues to be a challenging time.

Through the last 12 months we, as a not for profit charity, have continued to support the 2019 intake of students whose training was curtailed due to Covid 19. Sanon students all come from underprivileged and disadvantaged backgrounds and the money they earned invariably was sent back home to support their families. This continues to be the case one year on and now more than ever. Our students know that we will continue to hold their training positions open for them should they wish or are able to return to Sanon Training restaurant. We know that our mission to continue to train underprivileged youths remains the same despite the current climate we find ourselves in. Our reserve to continue as a charity is as strong as ever if not stronger.

Staff Update

Thank you for enquiring into the wellbeing of our staff and colleagues again we can report they are as well as can be and send their thanks for supporting them during this difficult time. Lim, Sanon's Project Manager, who you will know via our recent newsletters is well. He and all of our staff have been furloughed from their posts at Sanon for the past year. We look forward to being able to bring them all back together to reestablish the Sanon Training Restaurant.

A Bit of Good News

We are very proud to announce that we received a nomination for the 7th 2021 <u>Experience Mekong showcases awards</u>. A testament to the hard work of ALL Sanon staff and students has resulted in us being nominated for a second year running. Nominated businesses were selected for being responsible travel businesses that create a significant social impact and provide authentically local experiences.

Voting closes on 31st March 2021 vote and share with your family and friends. <u>Vote here</u>. By simply clicking on the Sanon photo under Myanmar page, then continue to the voting page, one submission per person. Yes we know it's a bit clunky and you have to go through several pages to get there, it would mean so much to us if you took 2 minutes of your time to vote for Sanon. Thank you.





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