Dear Teachers.

As the school year once again draws to a close, we are asking you to help us "recycle" items to send to schools in Gambia.

Many of our children will buy new pencils, coloured pencils and pencil cases for the September term and throw away their old ones.

We are asking for the "old ones".

As you will see from the enclosed photographs, many children do not have access to pencils and paper and have never used coloured pencils let alone paint etc!!

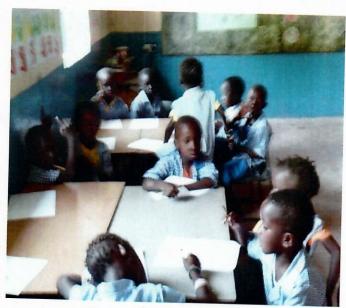
We ask for used items because it is of <u>no cost</u> to our parents but means an lot to Gambian parents who have to pay to send their children to school. The Gambian government will provide a school, but this is literally just the building – no furniture, no equipment, no books, pencils etc. Sometimes the community have to pay the teachers' salaries too!

If you could please ask the children in your classes if they would like to help in this way, or if you have any used posters, part used excercise books Paints, crayons, etc then we can send them over to some very grateful Gambian children.

Many thanks Alan Pickles



Kerr Marie school



Chamen village school.

EDUCATIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR GAMBIA.

Sports Equipment

Tennis Racquets and Tennis Balls.
Squash Racquets or strong Plastic bats.
Cricket bats, skipping ropes.

Games like 4 in a Row
Guess Who? game
JENGA Blocks
LEGO and MEGA Blocks
LUDO Snakes & ladders

Families in Chamen Village are also desperate for children's clothes especially ages 8 to 18. Contact Alan Pickles. 07790006345