

Su Pone
8 years old
Grade 3



Su Pone she lives with her mother, stepfather, sister and brother in a small and crowded house. The stepfather is the only working member of the family, while the mother takes care of the younger children, working as a plastic collector earning about \$4.60 a day. Though he works hard and rarely has a day's break, it is not enough to support the family. Because of this your sponsorship is important to ensure we can keep Su Pone educated, healthy and ready for the future.

Su Pone joined grade 3 this year and is enjoying her classes. She walks to school in the morning with her brothers and joins her classmates. She is a hard working student and her teachers say she is doing well and learning quickly. They started learning English this year and Su Pone is really motivated to do well. She says it's a very hard language and finds it hard to speak the words, but she wants to be able to speak and write to you, her sponsor, and thank you.

In her free time, Su Pone likes to draw using the pens and paper your sponsorship has recently provided her. She is good and caring with her little sister and brother and together they all draw imaginary worlds they can visit. She enjoys caring for her siblings and likes to teach them songs she has learnt in class and they sing and perform them to their mother and father.



Su Pone collecting her new school materials provided by your sponsorship



At home with her brother and sister



With new toys! We reward good grades and hard work with special gifts



La Pyae Win
9 years old
Grade 4



La Pyae Win has joined grade 4 and is enjoying her new classes. She likes her new teacher too because she makes learning maths fun – normally she hated the subject

At home, she lives with her parents and older brother. Both herself and her father are HIV+ and rely on SANNI's nearby clinic to collect their treatment and fight their HIV. The father is a trishaw driver and earns about \$3.30 a day. He works hard and has few days break, but it is not enough to support the family. Because of this, your sponsorship is important to keep La Pyae Win in school, healthy and happy.

In her free time she likes to play games with her big brother. She likes to pretend she is a famous actress and singer and will perform to him. She also likes to go to the playground and one of her best days this year was during SANNI's Fun Day Out where all the sponsored children were taken to a park for a day of exciting games and fun. She had the best time and made new friends with other sponsored children.



La Pyae Win at home – she sends her thanks!



With her brother



At home



Tu Nhaing Kha and Shin Thant Maung Maung 6 years old and 4 years



Brothers Tu Nhaing Kha and Shin Thant Maung Maung lives with their grandmother and sisters in a small and crowded house. Both of them are HIV positive and rely on SANNI's Lotus clinic for free treatment. Their mother has remarried and doesn't live with them anymore, leaving the grandmother to care for the children. Their two older sisters work in a nearby factory to support the family but they struggle to earn enough to support everyone. Because of this, your sponsorship is important to keep Tu Nhaing Kha in school and Shin Thant Maung Maung ready for education as well as fed, healthy and ready for the future.

Tu Nhaing Kha has begun his primary education this year after finishing kindergarten and is enjoying his new classes. In the morning, he leaves his house with his older brothers and takes a trishaw to school and joins his classmates. He is enjoying his new school because he can make lots of new friends. He is especially enjoying his maths class and is very good at remembering his times tables. Shin Thant Maung Maun gets very jealous of his brother leaving in the morning and often tries to go to school with him before their grandmother catches him!

Tu Nhaing Kha enjoys playing football after school and has a reputation in his community for being very good already at a young age. He likes the idea of becoming Myanmar's national football team captain and leading the country to victory in the world cup. Shin Thant Maung Maung likes to play any game he can with his brother and looks up to him a lot.



Tu Nhaing Kha



Shin Thant Maung Maung at home



Homework time



Zay Yar Lin
8 years old
Grade 2



Zay Yar Lin has had a very disrupted and challenging childhood so far. His mother died of AIDS when he was 2 years old, leaving his father and grandmother to care for him. He is also HIV+ and was seriously unwell with untreated HIV and on the verge of becoming malnourished. SANNI's doctors gave him urgent medical care and is now improving well.

His father is a bus conductor earning about \$1.50 a day while his uncle and grandfather sell fish in the local market and earns about \$4 a day for the entire family. This is not enough to support the whole family but your sponsorship ensures Zay Yar Lin can eat every day, have important household and hygiene items as well as receive all the materials he needs to learn.

Zay Yar Lin began his primary education this year and is enjoying his new classes. He walks with his grandmother in the morning for about 15 minutes until he reaches the school. He likes his new school because he has made new friends and they get to play together. He likes learning English because he wants to be able to understand the cartoons he watches in their neighbour's TV!

He likes to help his grandmother with the house chores at the weekend because she tells stories and he likes to listen to them. He also likes it during the weekends when he can play with his cousins. He also loves to draw, his favourite thing to draw are tigers and of himself in a jungle searching for tigers because it is his dream to see a real one.



Zay Yar Lin before his treatment



After his treatment, healthy and ready for the future. Here he is collecting a new towel provided by your sponsorship, as part of the household support package



With a new bed mat, mosquito net and blankets also provided by your sponsorship



Wai Zin Phyo
7 years old
Grade 2



Wai Zin Phyo first came to SANNI's clinic malnourished and HIV+. His mother has advanced AIDs and the father had abandoned the family. With intense therapeutic feeding and HIV treatment his health improved but was in need of extra support to ensure he is able to improve his health and wellbeing.

He now lives with his mother and grandmother in his aunt's house in a district nearby SANNI's free Lotus Clinic. He and his mother are HIV+ and rely on this clinic to receive free treatment and fight the HIV. His mother and aunt work on a farm and work most days, rarely having a day's break. However, they still do not earn enough to support the entire family but because of your sponsorship they know Wai Zin Phyo will always be able to learn at school, eat everyday and live comfortably.

Wai Zin Phyo has joined grade 7 at school and is progressing well in his class. One of his favourite things about school is about the group of friends he has and how much he enjoys spending time with them. He likes learning maths the most because he likes being set a challenge and having to work it out himself and when he gets it correct it makes him feel very good.

He is an active boy that dreams about being able to drive a car. He once saw on a TV an impressive car driving really fast and ever since then he has wanted to be the person driving the car! It has even inspired him to want to become an engineer so he knows how to make a car and how to make a car faster!



Wai Zin Phyo wearing a new shirt your sponsorship now provides him



Sitting with his mother with new school materials also provided by your new sponsorship



Play time while waiting for his mother at SANNI's clinic



Aung Ko Min
10 years old
Grade 2



Aung Ko Min lives with his grandmother and father in Hlaingthayar township, the same township as where SANNI's Lotus clinic is located. Both he and his father have HIV and use our clinic to receive his HIV medication. His father has recently been diagnosed with tuberculosis and though he is taking treatment, he cannot work until he is better. Because of this, your sponsorship is very important to support Aung Ko Min during this challenging time for the family.

With all the school support Aung Ko Min now receives from your sponsorship, he is able to go to school and never fear of having to leave to work for food. At school, he likes to study maths the most and enjoys learning his times tables.

Aung Ko Min is a very curious child and likes to meet new people and is also very curious about you and where you come from. At the weekends, Aung Ko Min likes to play football with his friends in the neighbourhood or tries to find rabbits – he thinks they are very cute and wants to find one so he can keep it as a pet.



Aung Ko Min wearing his new school uniform



At home wearing a new shirt provided by your sponsorship



At home with his grandmother



Shin Naung Nge
6 years old
Grade 3



Shin Naung Nge lives in SANNI's Motherhouse orphanage with 10 other children. Her father is still alive however he cannot provide the proper care and attention needed to raise Shin Naung Nge properly, especially as she has HIV and it is vitally important to ensure she takes her medication every day.

Your sponsorship ensures she has access to health care as well as education, food, household and hygiene support she needs to grow up healthy, educated and ready for an exciting future.

At school, she has started grade 3 and is doing well. She finds her classes quite easy and enjoys learning. Her teachers say she shows great promise in her schooling future. She likes Myanmar language and maths class the most because she likes to read stories and solve hard problems.

In the Motherhouse she has made the other children her friends and they live together well and support each other. They always help in the daily house chores and keep a tidy room at all times! She has one brother who she misses a lot and during the holidays she visits him and she looks forward to these moments. Her brother lives with their grandmother.

Shin Naung Nge likes the idea of becoming a doctor when she is older. She wants to be able to understand the human body and more than anything wants to help other young children like herself living with HIV receive the same treatment as she has from SANNI's clinic.



Shin Naung Nge collecting her new school uniform provided by your sponsorship



At home during the holidays



Showing her bedroom at the Motherhouse



Yamin Oo
8 years old
Grade 2



Yamin Oo finished her kindergarten class and has begun her primary education this year. She was a little nervous about joining a new class in a new school and was scared about how big everything was, but now she has made friends and is enjoying her classes. Her favourite subject is Myanmar because she likes to learn all the songs and poems her teachers teach her about the alphabet.

At home, she lives with her mother and younger sister. Sadly, her father died 2 years ago and since then it has put great pressure on the mother to support her family. She works as a plastic collector and earns about \$2 a day. Because of this, your support is important to ensure we keep Yamin Oo in school, remains healthy and happy.

In her free time, she likes to play games with her little sister. They are especially happy when SANNI gives them a new toy to play with. They like to make up imaginary worlds where the toys live. She really enjoyed SANNI's fun day out this year when all the sponsored children went to play games in a park and next year she wants to go again and hopes it will be in the zoo so she can see many different animals.



Yamin Oo, (right) with her little sister who is also sponsored



In the clinic, waiting for their mother to collect her medication



At home



Hnin Hnin Wai
8 years old
Grade 2



Hnin Hnin Wai became an orphan by the age of 2 months when her parents both sadly died. Since then, she has been living with her grandmother and aunts in a small and crowded house with her older sister and cousins.

The grandmother is mostly bed-bound after a stroke left her unable to work and do much movement. This has left the uncle and aunt to work and raise the entire family. The uncle works as a general labourer and the aunt works in a garment factory, but they struggle to survive. It has recently become too much and unfortunately an older cousin has had to drop out of school to work.

Now with your sponsorship, we will work with this family, make sure the children can attend school and help them become more stable and independent.

Hnin Hnin Wai has a close relationship with her older cousin, and they like to play games with each other. One of their favourite games to play is dress up and they pretend they are the ancient princess that use to rule Myanmar!



With her grandmother at home



Hnin Hnin Wai outside her home with her cousin in the background



Thin Cherry Hlaing 10 years old



Thin Cherry Hlaing is an autistic girl who lives with her grandparents and cousins in Thanlyin township, southern Yangon. Her parents divorced 2 years ago and both have abandoned her to the care of her grandparents. Only the uncle can work in the family and works on a construction site, earning about \$4 a day for the entire family.

Your sponsorship will provide Thin Cherry Hlaing with the important resources she needs to support her during her childhood. She will always have access to food, health care, household and hygiene items.

Due to her autism, local schools have not allowed her to enrol and she has never received any type of education. Our team will now start to work and see what kind of educational support we can offer Thin Cherry Hlaing, be it formal or non-formal education.

She is a very sweet and energetic girl. Her grandmother says she is always full of love and wants to make friends with everyone. They like to play games together and the grandmother and Thin Cherry Hlaing share a special bond. Their favourite game to play with each other is Act The Animal; their favourite to act is an elephant!



Thin Cherry Hlaing at home with her grandmother



Thin Cherry Hlaing at home, you can see her waving to you in the window



Yin Ko Oo
9 years old
Grade 3



Yin Ko Oo has had a challenging upbringing so far. His parents are HIV+ and struggle to maintain a job. The father is consistently absent and rarely supports the family and his older brother has a physical disability who needs extra care. The mother works very hard to support her family but she needs our help to help with her family.

Her adult brother is the only working member of the family and works in a nearby factory earning about \$4 a day. This is not enough to support an entire family but they have no other means of income. Your sponsorship is important to ensure Yin Ko Oo is never forced to leave school and work for food instead alongside receiving other important materials to support him during his childhood.

At school he is attending grade 3 and is doing well. He enjoys studying maths the most and likes to do calculation. Sometimes he tries to teach his mother what he learns in school but his mother says he is too clever for her already! It is his dream to become a police officer so he can keep his community safe and try and keep families together.



Yin Ko Oo outside his house



With his little sister and mother

