PHILANTHROPY CHALLENGE

What it is

The Philanthropy Challenge is a 10 week challenge created by Geography teachers whereby students earn money by doing home chores in order to donate it to domestic or global charities (animal &/or human causes) the student cares about.

How it works

Students choose from a variety of home chores such as: set the table, pack the dishwasher, vacuum, clean the bathroom, wash the car, walk the dog; or school chores such as: carry teacher books, lunchtime stalls, clean the playground. Students negotiate a wage with a sponsor (eg parent, friend or teacher) for each chore.

Sponsors pay a small wage such as \$0.10 - \$5.00 per chore. Students keep a Logbook of their chores and earned wages. Students collect and deposit the money into the schools Finance Office.

At the end of 10 weeks, the student decides on the NGOs/NPOs they wish to help and spend their wages on. The school sends the money to the charities and causes on behalf of the students.

Who benefits

The charities such as World Vision, Plan, Oxfam, IAPF, WSPA, RSPCA, Life Changing Experiences, Cerebral Palsy, WWF, Guide Dogs, ChildFund, BOS... any charity the student cares about will benefit. In turn, our community benefits both locally and globally from active young citizens.

Why do it

Students learn about so many 'geographical issues' at school such as: global inequalities, extreme poverty, starvation, threatened habitats, species extinction, land degradation and climate change. They want to help. They want to be active citizens. They want to practice being philanthropists. They want to develop a healthy habit of helping others.

How to help

Sponsor them. Donate your spare coins. Encourage your local school to join in and participate in The Philanthropy Challenge. Lead by example, be a philanthropist too and inspire our children.



The IAPF as seen on











Who they are

The IAPF is the International Anti-Poaching Foundation setup by Australian ex-navy clearance diver and Special Forces Commando, Damien Mander.

What they do

Provide free education to local African citizens to be trained as game rangers to protect wildlife from poachers. They provide clothing, boots, writing equipment, medical/dentistry aid, jobs, income and community workshops on how to grow food better while coexisting with wildlife.

Why we're inspired

The IAPF lead from the front. To us, they are the epitome of philanthropy. They came back to Australia from serving in Afghanistan and Iraq and could have lived a rich, comfortable life. But they didn't! They sold up their possessions and built training academies in Zimbabwe. They live and work there to train locals protect wildlife. They are courageous, focused and committed. They give jobs and income to locals. They teach for free. They help communities co-exist with wildlife while helping them be self-sufficient. They use geographical skills we learn in class to protect the wild-life! To us, the IAPF make us proud! They help us love Geography at school. We want to be like them. They're our hero's!