



THE ANKOMA DREAM

Imagine living your life and never travelling further than your village? This is the reality for many families in Ankoma, a village in the Kwahu District in Ghana. Ankoma Outreach is a not-for-profit organisation who support this village through sustainable development projects and aims to help the people of Ankoma alleviate themselves from absolute poverty.

The Ankoma Dream is a community project ran by volunteers and fundraisers who believe that everyone should be given the opportunity to spread their wings and fulfil their dreams. Our dream is to allow 6 children living in absolute poverty, the once in a lifetime opportunity to experience the best which Britain has to offer. This will include an insight into our education system, and the opportunity to visit various different cities and landmarks across the UK for 1 month in September 2018.

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From a very young age, children are expected to work hard and support their families where possible by collecting water, farming and selling goods, whilst trying to access an education. The quality of education that these children receive is relatively poor, some children go to school hungry, only to sit in dark classrooms with only a chalkboard. What is most astonishing is that for some families, school fees are unaffordable (£9 per year), meaning that some children are unable to go to school. This Ghanaian school experience restricts aspiration, it fails to stimulate children and arguably perpetuates the poverty cycle. The schools in Ankoma are incomparable to our own in Britain, we want these children to experience the cultivating nature of British education - so that they become more aspirational and determined.

Since Ankoma Outreach was founded, the ability of Ankoma's children to access education has increased profoundly, in this year alone, over 100 children have had their tuition fees paid for through donations, and some children have even attended a preparatory school in a neighbouring town. By stressing the importance of education to the Ankoma community, we have already seen a change in the life goals of many children.

Although each day is a challenge for these children, they never fail to show us their smiles. Let's give these children an adventure they deserve!



What is the Ankoma Dream?

The 'Ankoma Dream Team' have a vision that will give 6 lucky Ghanaian children the opportunity of a lifetime, to leave their district, country and continent for the first time on an adventure to the UK. 6 children will travel from Ghana to the UK for a month adventure in September 2018! With the children not having access to running water or electricity, boarding a flight to the home of many of their volunteers will be a journey that they won't forget.

The trip will be a well-deserved treat for the children, but also a learning experience. Before the journey, the children will be having more intense English lessons with volunteers and will be learning about the country. Whilst in the UK, we are aiming for the children to go to school each day, sight see and explore different career paths. When returning to the village, they can share their stories and lessons with school, friends and loved ones, hopefully inspiring others to vision their future life outside of absolute poverty. For these 6 children, it really will be a dream come true.



Join our team and become part of the dream!

What difference can you make?

Do you ever fundraise for a charity and wonder where the money will go?

With the Ankoma Dream, we want to thank you for your support and involvement in the project by sharing our journey with you. During the children's time in the UK, we will update you on their adventure, through posts on social media and an end of trip summary email. If you're located in Liverpool, London, or the Lake District, an opportunity to meet the children may also arise. If this project is of interest to you, then please contact us as soon as possible.

A project of this magnitude will be expensive, so every little really will help. We are inviting you to become part of the 'Ankoma Dream Team' and help make these children's dreams of travelling to the UK come true.

Friday 7th July till Sunday 9th July, we have appointed Ankoma Dream Weekend, a weekend we aim for all our team to engage in fundraising for the project. However, we invite you to join our team sooner. Although we are sure that you will have many fantastic ideas, we have attached some ideas about fundraising events which we know can be successful.



You can make a life-changing difference!

Fundraising Ideas

We appreciate any time spent fundraising and emphasize that every little helps. We understand that fundraising can be time consuming so here are a few ideas to get you started:

- Raffle
- School Quiz
- Disco
- Cake Sale
- Sponsored Walk
- Sport Tournaments
- School Fair
- Teddy Tombola



If you would like to be involved in fundraising for this incredible project, please email theankomadream@outlook.com or direct message us on Facebook or Twitter @theankomadream



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