

Writtle College Students Plant Sale and Fundraising.

In the summer of 2010, a group of students studying BSc Horticulture at Writtle College, Essex helped raise money for the sponsorship of children in Gorkha through growing and selling plants. As part of their studies with Linda Blunt (GDS Trustee) as tutor, the group had to propagate and look after a range of plants so that they could be ready for planting into containers for great summer colour in the garden.



The students then held a plant sale where the results of their efforts were sold to staff and other students at the college.

Lots of individual bedding plants, planted containers and planted hanging baskets were sold to the throngs of happy customers. Students gained so much from the experience in both production of the plants, marketing the event and getting involved in the sales being proud of their produce.

It was a great success with much of the money being donated to charity. A local charity in Chelmsford supporting young people with cancer received £600 and a further £600 was donated to GDHEDS charity for the school sponsorship programme.



Some students even went walkabout around the College campus to enhance sales by taking plants to the customer. Well done to the Barrow Boys!



Many thanks to everyone on the BSC Horticulture for their massive efforts and all staff who attended and bought plants to support the students and charities.