

NEWS FROM KEJORA



Kejora Explorers has finished its eight week trial and what a success it has been!

Here is a summary about what we have been up to at Kejora during the trail:

Circle Time

Children have been curious and mindful through engaging in bilingual learning songs, calming exercises and interactive games.

Learning Centres

There has been lots of different activities for the children to learn new skills whilst also exploring their interests. For example, by making Origami, the children have developed their spatial and perception skills, improving hand-eye coordination and their fine motor skills. Activities have also included writing, reading, imaginary and sensory play.



Snack

During the session, children are given healthy snacks. Not only are they delicious, they're full of nutrients to support growth and development!



Outdoor Play

Whilst having lots of fun, children have learnt a number of different skills through play. Games such as 'tag' and 'hide and seek' have focused on developing problem-solving skills, imagination and communication.

We are all ready and excited to start the annual program on the 6th of September.

Curriculum and scholarships

Kejora explorers will be running 5 days a week. There will be two sessions, one in the morning 10am-12:30pm and one in the afternoon 2-4:30pm.

Kejora explorers is a bilingual, nature-based early years school for local children aged 3-6. The school follows the **SEED Learning method** which integrates social, emotional and educational development into teaching. Children will spend their time learning through fun and engaging activities.

The cost each month for Kejora Explorers is 300,000 RP or 270,000 per month when you pay for 5 months in full.

Kejora is founded in the belief that everyone should be able to access quality education. There are now 15 scholarships per year available to children who need extra financial support whether the child is from a low income family or whether they need extra learning support.



Volunteers

Kejora has welcomed volunteers from across the globe to assist with the school, its operations and construction.

Two volunteers, Pleun and Jasmin, have shared their experience at Kejora.



Pleun

I am a primary school teacher from the Netherlands and I have been helping at the school. I have also taught a few classes, which both the children and I have enjoyed. Furthermore, I have gained insight into how the schools in Indonesia are different to Kejora.

I have appreciated Kejora's ethos of learning by play. Each activity has multiple learning opportunities for the children in which they enjoy, instead of sitting at a desk and repeating lines.

Jasmin

I have also found Kejora's ethos to be an excellent way to approach education. The variety of different activities helps the children stay engaged whilst they learn. I really like the ratio of staff to children, as this means each child gets support and assistance if needed.

The previous volunteers have worked on improving our website, making information easily accessible. Another volunteer has been helping to build the playground for the kids to enjoy!

Language School

Kejora Language school will continue providing private English, Indonesian, and Javanese language classes with professional teachers. Learning will also include taking part in presentations, debates, and practices according to the individuals occupation.

There will be two 90-minute sessions per week over a period of three months. The first two sessions will be free. After this, the cost will be 250,000 per month.

PLAY Alun-Alun

Every Saturday evening, we offer a playground for all the children of Karimunjawa to enjoy at the Alun-Alun square.

Our volunteer Pleun successfully raised money to buy a new electric car for the children to ride on, which is already in active use.



Furthermore, he has raised 17,600,000 IDR (€1,065) as an initial budget aimed at purchasing a new bouncy castle for the older children to enjoy. However, we still require an additional amount of IDR 24,000,000 (€1,450) to complete this project.



Basecamp update

There is now an exciting playground at Kejora, providing lots and lots of fun for the children. An obstacle course and mud kitchen are ready for use. More equipment will be up and running ready for the arrival of those happy faces!



Through donations, Kejora has many new educational toys. For example, construction materials were bought to build the new playground for the children.

Kejora's short term goal is to gain BAN PAUD PF accreditation. In order to gain this accreditation, major improvements need to be made to the Kejora basecamp. This includes building walls around the classroom and a fence around the school land. Furthermore, repairs to the roof need to be done, especially in preparation for rainy season. These improvements rely on funding through donations.



Donations

Kejora Karimunjawa is a non-profit organization. We are extremely grateful for all the donations we have received so far! Every donation makes a big difference for us. We welcome one-time donations and monthly donations. Direct donations can be transferred to:

Kejora Karimunjawa
7587-01-008873-535 (BRI)

If you don't have an Indonesian bank account, please take a look at our donation website on [Simply Giving](#) to make a donation. Cash donations can also be given to one of the team members.

Do you prefer to know how your donation will be used? Please check out the [Kejora wish list](#) to see how you can contribute. We also offer a possibility for a [monthly scholarship](#) for a child!

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Many thanks and regards from Karimunjawa,



Team Kejora