

In Peru

- 45% of children suffer from malnutrition
- 60% do not complete primary education
- Over 30,000 live in situations classed as 'high risk' due to political violence.

Our Story

Doscientas Millas and Boca Negra lie on the outskirts of Lima. In these poor communities in state-run preschools, there are spaces for less than 10% of the children — spaces vital for continued education. For the local community, the key to lifting their families out of poverty literally rests on the smallest shoulders.

In 1985, Debra Westlake and Sally Pinnell were exploring Peru and were struck by the poverty in the shanty towns of Lima where



primary school children are often left to look after their younger brothers and sisters while their parents work. They decided to make a difference. The preschools began with a simple classroom in a front yard. Today, our two purpose-built preschools provide:

- places for over 300 children annually
- adult education classes in dressmaking, crafts, & parenting
- a gathering place for local festivals and celebrations, encouraging families to spend time together
- a venue for many community activities.

Here's what your donation can do:

€18 (35 YTL) buys four weeks of education for a child
€30 (60 YTL) supplies five school uniforms
€50 (100 YTL) pays a teaching assistant for a week
€65 (130 YTL) pays a teacher for one week
€250 (500 YTL) pays a teacher for four weeks

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"My hope for my children is that they get an education, so they can get a job and better themselves, so they don't have to live like this."

-Westnell mother

One simple way to increase your donation:



Amazon partnership — shop online through the Westnell Amazon link and up to 8% of the purchase price will go directly to the charity at no extra expense to you! Visit our website for the link.

Four £50 purchases over the course of a year will result in a £16 donation to the nursery.

Student Success

"We are so pleased with our ex-students. We see them now grown into men and women, some with their own families, others trying to make a career for themselves, each one of them searching by some means or another for a way to move forward and create a better future for themselves."

*-Margarita Santillan, Principal,
Westnell Nurseries*



MELISSA YUPANQUI GRADUATE OF 1995

Melissa is 18 years old now. She is studying information technology in an advanced college. She covers the costs of her studies by selling sweets and snacks on a stall at the

door of her home. Her mother is a single parent working in domestic service.

YANINA FLORES GRADUATE OF 1987

Yanina Flores was one of the first students taught by Debra and Sally, aged 4 years. Yanina is now a teacher in the Bocanegra preschool. As a preschooler, Yanina



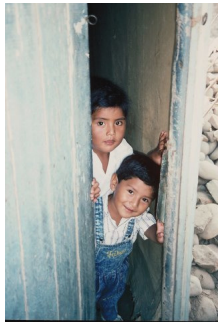
was brought to the nursery by her sister, Jenny, who also went on to become a teacher at the school. Their mother sells cooked meals to local factory workers.

Education Changes Lives

'I left (Peru) feeling proud of being involved with an outstanding project for which all concerned deserve to be congratulated for creating an opportunity for a great start in life for over 300 children from very poor families, although from seeing and talking to them you would never guess this was the case, so well are they being educated.'

-Terry Browne, Treasurer of Anglo Peruvian Society, UK

Over more than 20 years Westnell has provided some 3,700 preschool places for the poorest children but we can never meet the huge demand.



Help us to educate more children
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The Westnell Family

"One of the most important lessons we have learned from the experience of Westnell is that when a team is united, not only can it achieve great things, but it can also survive hardships that arise along the way."

-Teacher at Westnell Nurseries

Here's How You Can Help Us

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