

Share and Tell AYM 2023

Name of Session

Friends' Girls School in Sohagpur, India -- David Evans and Sanjeev Shukla

Date and Time

Tue Jul 4, 2023 11:15am

Person submitting report

David Evans

Facilitators

David Evans and Sanjeev Shukla

There were nine attendees at this session.

Report

The YM23 Share and Tell presentation ***Friends' Girls School in Sohagpur, India*** was an opportune follow-up of the recent visit of Dr Sanjeev Shukla, Principal of the School. Sanjeev was the AYM FWCC/AWPS visitor for 2023 and spent three weeks in Australia visiting Australian Quakers and educational facilities in May-June 2023. Sanjeev was hosted by and met with Australian Quakers in Tasmania, South Australia, and New South Wales

A 15 minute ZOOM video of an interview with Sanjeev Shukla was presented. Sanjeev talked about his wide ranging experiences with Australian Quakers. This video is available as well as the PowerPoint presentation about the School that Sanjeev used in Tasmania and Adelaide. Several of the attendees were Australian Quakers who have visited the School and expressed interest in a continuing Friendly Society Support Group to receive newsletters and other items of interest about the school.

Many of the students at the school come from poorer Dalit families who live in the rural area around Sohagpur.

We have become aware of financial needs for facilities at the school and some monies have already become available to be forwarded there. Advice is being sought regarding the best way to do this as there are difficulties with the Indian government and financial donations.

We look forward to our continuing involvement with the School. If you would like to receive information about the school please send your details to David Evans at <ddeevans1@gmail.com> We know that two Australian Quakers will be visiting in the next 12 months and look forward to their reporting of their visit.

A ZOOM recording of this session is available on request; so please send us your details by email to <ddeevans1@gmail.com> if you are interested.

David Evans and Sanjeev Shukla

4th July 2023