

### Updates from India

#### Sumithra's Story

**Sumithra always wanted to become a teacher, to inspire younger generations and provide them with quality education.**



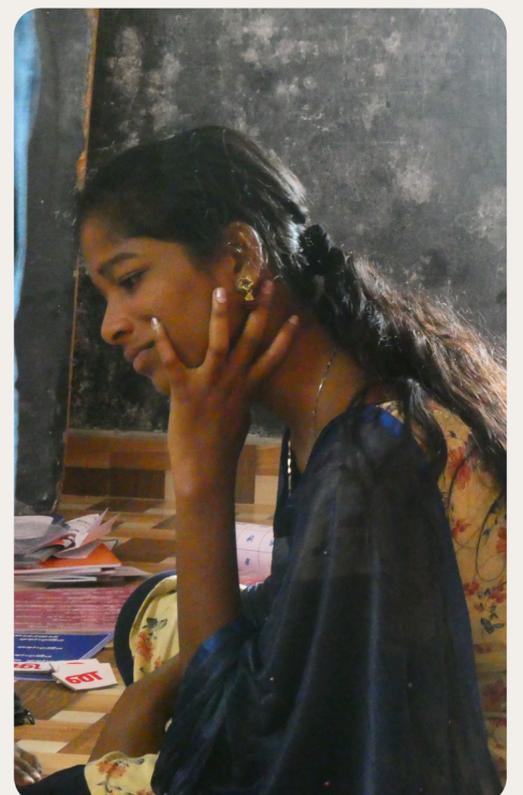
Sumithra attended Laia Foundation's after-school centres from a very early age.

'I was fascinated by this other way of teaching the after-school teachers seemed to have.

I had so much fun and didn't realise I was learning. I wanted other children to have the same experience as me.'

Sumithra joined the Sponsorship Programme in 2020. Since qualifying, she has become a part-time teacher at the same after-school centre she has so many fond memories of. Sumithra's college life hasn't ended there as she's now starting a Masters Degree in Biology!

**She can now support her family economically and choose the future she wants for herself.**



## **Macmillan & Indian Futures Coffee Morning**

Indian Futures teamed up with Macmillan to host a Coffee Morning to raise money for both charities.

The event was held at Manor Road Gym in Whitehawk, inviting all of the local community and people who regularly attend the centre's activities.



Indian Futures were selling items from the Tailoring Project, incense and ceramics, and promoting both Indian Futures' projects and Macmillan's services and support for people living with cancer.



The event was lots of fun and a huge success. Through selling the items, as well as a raffle, the Coffee Morning raised an amazing £200 for each charity!

