Collection filled with kindness

DONATIONS TO HELP PNG PUPILS

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They are only little but the Year 1 pupils at Southern Cross Catholic College have helped make a big difference to schools in a small village in Papua New Guinea.

Pupils at the Delany Campus, Woody Point, coordinated a campus stationery collection.

The collected items will be sent to schools in Movea and in time for the start of the 2016 school year.

Southern Cross support teacher in Inclusive education Setae Nuendorf is from Movea and knows how valuable the donations will be to the local students.

“When the Year 1 students learnt how little the students of Papua New Guinea had they wanted to do something to help those less fortunate than themselves,” Ms Nuendorf said.

“Theyir donations will go a long way to help the learning of the students in Movea and the resources will help these children learn and grow, just like our Year 1 students are able to here.”

The stationery drive was first held just in Year 1 classes in 2014.

This year it was held campuswide.

Year 1 teacher Marina Caspersz said the pupils worked very hard to collect the items and coin donations.

“We were able to fill two laundry baskets to send to Papua New Guinea, which is a wonderful achievement, considering the small population of our campus,” Ms Caspersz said.

Year 1 pupil Finlay said he was happy to help.

“I felt very sad for the children in Papua New Guinea because we are very lucky to have so much at our school,” Finlay said.

Delany Year 1 pupils, with teacher Marina Caspersz and their donations for students in Papua New Guinea.

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