

Maggie gets ready to help children in Nepal

A HUNTLY teenager plans to travel to Nepal to help children affected by the major earthquakes that devastated the country last year.

Maggie Duffus (18) will spend three weeks in Nepal and during her stay she will help to rebuild classrooms in the areas affected as part of a project run by Childreach International.

Maggie said: "I leave for Nepal on August 14 and

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I am really looking forward to it. A friend of mine is going and when I first heard about the project I knew it was something I would like to get involved in. There are teams from Aberdeen and Glasgow going. I have met with some of the others and the charity is constantly updating us on the progress being made out there.

"Childreach believe that getting the children back to school in Nepal is crucial to give them a better future. One of Childreach's slogans is Taught not Trafficked as child trafficking is a big issue in Nepal and it has been proven that children in education are far less likely to be trafficked.

"I am currently doing a music education course

at university and so helping these children get back into education really appealed to me especially being hands on in the process. Childreach were the first charity to be given permission by the Nepalese government to start rebuilding schools which shows that their work is effective and greatly appreciated by the local communities."

Maggie is fundraising for the project and will be hosting a fundraising Bingo Night on April 8, in the Huntly Ex-Servicemen's Club. Eyes down at 7.30pm.

Anyone wishing to make a donation can do so by visiting the <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/maggieduffus1> website.



Maggie Duffus plans to travel to Nepal to assist in a Childreach International project.