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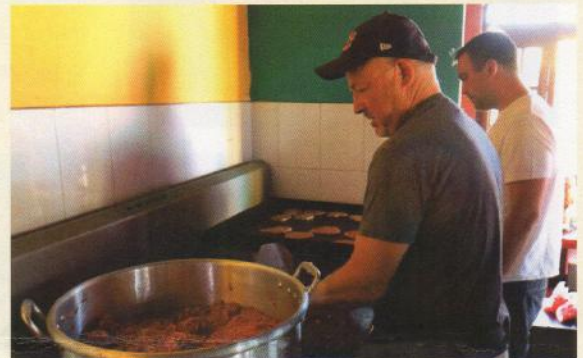


The directors of **Give Kids A Chance** returned to Guatemala to oversee our project Los Patojos for a few months this winter. The project has undergone an incredible expansion. There are now 208 children in the program from pre-primary up to Grade 6. This year Los Patojos was approved to teach Grades 7 to 9. We began in January 2016 with 32 Grade 7 students. We will add Grades 8 and 9 in the next two years. Most Guatemalans finish their education at Grade 6 as they cannot afford to continue, so the opening of our middle school gives these children an opportunity to gain more education and to rise out of poverty.

During our time in Guatemala it became evident to us that two areas needing improvement were nutrition and English education. We implemented an English computer program called Duo Lingo for the Grade 7 students which was extremely successful and is ongoing. We also increased the food/nutrition budget to ensure that the children are receiving sufficient protein, vegetables and fruit.



• BRYAN SERVING 240 HAMBURGERS MADE AND PAID FOR BY GIVE KIDS VOLUNTEERS



• GKAC VOLUNTEERS COOKING LUNCH



• GRADE 7 ENGLISH CLASS WITH PABLO



• ENGLISH COMPUTER CLASS



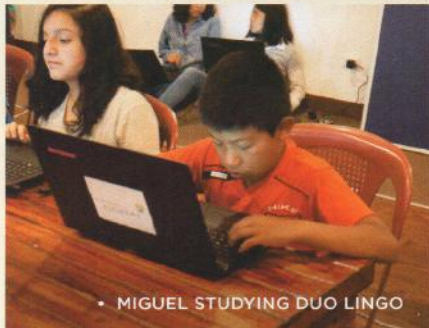
• ROSI HELPING MIGUEL

MIGUEL'S STORY

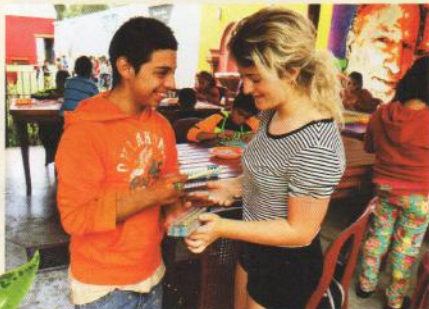
Miguel's story shows just how important the project Los Patojos is in Guatemala. Miguel lives with his parents and two siblings in a small village called Caserio Mano de Leon, in the hills above Jocotenango where our centre is located. There are 150 people living in the village none of whom have electricity nor potable water. The local two room school has 100 children and one teacher. No education is available after Grade 6. Miguel desperately wanted to continue his education and discovered Los Patojos. He needs to walk two hours down the mountain to get to school and three hours back up to return home each day. In spite of his journey,

he is one of the most dedicated students and he is extremely hard working. Without Los Patojos his education would have terminated at Grade 6.

When we asked what he liked about the school at Los Patojos he replied that the teachers explain things well, they teach students to think critically and that all the students are treated equally despite their racial and economic differences. He also said that at Los Patojos he loves learning about computers, which he has never had access to before, he likes studying English and participating in music and, not the least of all, he loves a great meal every day.



• MIGUEL STUDYING DUO LINGO



• BRACELET PROJECT



• PERFORMANCE FOR KINDERGARTEN



• LOS PATOJOS DIRECTOR WITH STUDENTS & PARENTS

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