

# Nepal Day at Abbotsholme

**Abbotsholme School, 2016**

On 25th April 2015 the Nepal earthquake, also known as Gorkha earthquake, killed over 8,000 people and injured more than 21,000. It occurred at 11:56 Nepal Standard Time. The earthquake caused an avalanche in Langtang valley 250 people in the after wakes were missing from the village. Thousands of people were made homeless and lots of villages were flattened; after shocks happened on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April.

One major aftershock happened on the 12th May 2015 at 12:50am, with the epicentre being near the Chinese border. 200 people died and 2500 were injured in this aftershock.



Because of this horrible event, pupils at Abbotsholme had a week of activities to gain awareness and raise donations for the survivors of the horrific earthquake. They learned about the culture and music, they raised money by buying prayer flags which were displayed in chapel and

they had a talk from two former Abbotsholme teachers who had been in Nepal at the time of the earthquake. They brought with them remnants from the temple in the village they were visiting.



Nepal is one of the poorest countries in Southeast Asia. It was the worst earthquake that struck the region in more than 80 years. Someone needs to help, will it be you?

