

# The Sarojin Khao Lak Community Fund ♦ Community Projects

The Sarojin Khao Lak Community Fund was established in December 2004 and is dedicated to supporting the local community and environment.

Two community projects The Sarojin has had a long partnership with are the Baan Than Namchai Orphanage and Camillian Social Centre and The Sarojin provides complimentary transfers for guests who would like to visit to learn more about these projects and the work done.

## **Baan Than Namchai Orphanage, Sat- Sun 12.30-14.00.**

Set up as an immediate response to the December 2004 tsunami The Sarojin has worked with the orphanage since January 2005. Children ages range from 14 months to 21 years. Donations of essential items from a recommended shopping list for rice, cooking oil, sugar, fish sauce etc. are very welcome. The Sarojin operates a hotel trainee scheme for some of the older children and rice bags are saved to provide create innovative bags available at the orphanage shop. Nine years on some real success stories are appearing with older children studying at university, acting as role models for the younger ones; fueling their dreams and ambitions together to become lawyers, doctors, pilots, teachers. An overriding theme is that these children are keen to give back.

## **Camillian Social Centre, Mon-Wed-Fri 12.30-14.30**

Camillian Social Centre provides day care and rehabilitation for children with disabilities including physical disabilities, autism and down's syndrome. Ages range from 4 -16 years. It is the only centre providing care for down's syndrome in Phang Nga province. The Sarojin has worked with the Camillian Centre since September 2012. Guests are welcome to join to visit, join with the centre staff and volunteers to assist with arts and crafts sessions with the children or join with The Sarojin Chef on a local street food tour and street food cooking class and donate lunch for the children and staff at the centre.

