



**“Education doesn’t change the world. Education changes people. It is people who change the world”. Paolo Freire**

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When you invest in a child’s education you are making so much more than a donation; you are offering a child the opportunity to stand tall on their own two feet, shape their future and realise their dreams. The Hive is a new school with big ambitions and we are looking for inspiring individuals and organisations to help us shape it into something genuinely transformational. After more than 15 years spent designing and implementing integrated models of learning in schools around the world ([read more about the history in Kate’s book](#)), we have taken everything we know and put it together to create Human Hive Learning. We opened our first permanent school in the Dominican Republic recently and after completing two successful sessions we are expanding into a new building in January 2021. The Hive School is for worldschooling families raising confident, independent, self-regulated learners to live whole-hearted and purposeful lives. Our aim is to bring together children from all over the world to learn about and design solutions to the global challenges that we all face. Our curriculum is built around the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 2030 ([SDGs](#)) and our daily program follows the Human Hive Learning, Self-Determination framework. We balance knowledge, skills and relationship development using a blend of traditional and progressive pedagogies and practices. It’s not quite like any other school we’ve seen so far, although it follows a course charted by many who have gone before us: Freire, Reggio Emilia, Montessori, Steiner, Sudbury, Summerhill, School 21, Bedales, Hi-Tech High, The Green School .....

However in order realise our vision for a truly diverse and inclusive school, we need financial support for local children to attend the school too. Our philosophy is ‘with, not for’. We don’t want to work on designing innovations FOR the people of the Dominican Republic, we want to work WITH them to find answers that we can all benefit from together. Less than 1% of humanitarian aid is spent on education globally & the Dominican Republic currently ranks almost bottom of the [OECD PISA](#) rankings. We need a new model for addressing inequalities in education and we believe that the Human Hive Learning approach could play a significant role in addressing educational challenges; including closing the attainment gap between the most and the least privileged children on the planet.



Our teaching methodology is built on years of experience, research and development. It builds the core Learning Skills of Literacy, Oracy, Numeracy and Self-Regulated Learning (see our [research](#)); which have been built into a guiding framework. It's a flexible, responsive & collaborative approach to developing confident, competent, self-determining learners.



## SELF-DETERMINATION FRAMEWORK

SELF-AWARENESS  
SELF-REGULATION  
SELF-MANAGEMENT  
SELF-EXPRESSION  
SELF-REFLECTION  
SELF-DIRECTION

### How does it work?

To sponsor a student for the full academic year costs \$4000

\$3600 covers full tuition, snack & lunch

\$400 goes towards learning resources, excursions and physical resources that are necessary for effective learning including IT equipment, stationery, clothing & shoes.

### What are the extra benefits for me or my organisation?

Human Hive Learning is a pedagogy of empowerment, as much for the adults who join our global network as for the children they serve. If you would like to play a more hands-on role in helping us build this into something truly exceptional, you can contribute as a teacher, coach, mentor or supporter.

Our co-founders, Kate McAllister - a consultant at UCL Institute of Education, Centre for Leadership in Learning, Fellow of The RSA and the Chartered College of Teachers and Darren Abrahams; High Performance Coach, trauma therapist and trainer of trainers with Musicians Without Borders offer full training and support to individuals and organisations who want to use their skills, expertise and networks to really be the difference in someone's life. There is ongoing support from our co-founders & wellbeing coordinators throughout. You will connect with inspiring people in organisations around the world and collaborate on meaningful projects together. This really is so much more than a donation. When you sponsor a child's education at Hive School you also get the opportunity to develop your problem-solving, management & leadership skills in a supportive, innovative and beautiful environment.

We plan to achieve something truly remarkable for this international community of committed parents and educators and the local community hosting us. We think that Hive School will be something we talk about and benefit from for the rest of our lives.

If you can help us to realise our dream, please message [Kate@TheHive.School](mailto:Kate@TheHive.School)