

## Jackie Thomas - Lone Buffalo Chair of Trustees

I got involved with Lone Buffalo when close friends met Mark Steadman on one of his amazing tours. Subsequently, my husband and I spent a month volunteering at the English Development Centre in Phonsavan. As a qualified teacher, I was so impressed with the kids I worked with in Phonsavan; committed, friendly, welcoming and hard working. Regular staff meetings where ideas were shared demonstrated how committed the centre was in staff training and appreciating its team.

On returning to the UK I wanted to stay involved and I am now the chair of the trustees. I could see that a small amount of money in the UK could make such a huge impact in Laos.

A former Head Teacher, Jackie now runs her own tutoring business.