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Sent: 05 June 2009 11:00
To: Debra Hay
Subject: Re: Thank you from Raleigh

Dear Debra,

William enjoyed his time in India immensely this February and my older son Alexander also enjoyed his time in Costa Rica/Nicaragua in 2007. I know for Alexander it made a big difference to his life as a University student because he was very focused and settled down to his studies very quickly. His experience with Raleigh and his gap year activities have helped him to find the balance with his studies and his social life. I'm sure it will have the same impact on William when he starts University in September.

When we were planning the boys' education, we knew we wanted and planned for them to take a gap year but to do something constructive with their time out instead of just backpacking in an exotic location. Raleigh fitted the bill for us as parents because they were getting a "life" education for their growth and development that we can't teach them but that they have to experience for themselves - things like being independent, working with a team of strangers, managing their spending money, coping with set backs, understanding and respecting different cultures - to name just a few and it's all being done in a safe and nurturing environment. I was once privileged to attend a lecture by Colonel Blashford-Snell here in Hong Kong and that cemented my confidence in Raleigh and I always recommend the organisation to parents who ask me how my sons spent part of their gap year. I'm very glad organisations such as Raleigh exist in order to make a difference to the lives of young adults for the future of the next generation. I can only tell you to keep up the good work!

With all the very best wishes,

Jamila Jaggard & family

The logo for Raleigh, featuring the word "Raleigh" in a bold, green, sans-serif font. The letter "R" is significantly larger than the other letters and is positioned to the left of the rest of the word. The "R" is a dark green, while the "aleigh" part is a lighter shade of green.