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## **Mifan Mama August 2011 Report**

August's report is shorter than our usual reports as the summer months see many volunteers depart Shanghai during the school holidays. However, planning meetings have taken place for both Mifan Mama and the Shining Star project. August has proven to be a good time to gather information, prepare an event calendar and come up with new fund raising initiatives. There are many projects in the pipeline for the autumn, which will be announced on the website and through the Mifan Mama network soon.

It is also important to report that the monthly delivery of supplies including food, nappies, clothing and other essentials was taken by truck to Laowang's. We plan to ensure a trip with volunteers will take place early in September.

There was a particular highlight to the month as outlined in the article below -

### **Crown Relocations Cellar Door Event**

Held on the 27 August, Crown Relocations hosted their second successful Annual Cellar Door Event at their Wine Cellar in Shanghai.

Martina had done a wonderful job of organising the event, which included a photography exhibit, wine tasting by Pure Wines and canapés by Sasha's. Both Chinese and foreign photographers were represented and had the opportunity to show and sell their work.

Anna Willett, a strong and valued Mifan Mama supporter was one of the exhibitors and showed canvases from the collection of photographs which comprise her book, "In A Chinese Orphanage", featuring the children of Lao Wang's. Anna donated all proceeds to Mifan Mama and a Hand to Hold. Other participating photographers also kindly donated a percentage of their sales to both groups. Along with the raffle takings all the proceeds of the day will directly benefit the children of Lao Wang's.

In addition to Anna, the event was attended by Mary Ho, Valerie, Lisa and Julie G.

Thanks go to Martina from Crown Relocations, Joe from Pure Wines, Sasha's, Anna Willett and all the other photographers, raffle donors and attendees for organising this event. The event was a great success, which will bring in more than 12,000 RMB to allow Mifan Mama to continue to help the children of Lao Wang's. Thanks again to all who took part.

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