



...fying their inner skills, to discover themselves (and their creative selves!) in new ways they hadn't previously explored.

The truth, however, is that no amount of preparation sessions can come close to matching the experience itself. While each experience is like no other, all former volunteers share many things in common: they all thoroughly enjoy the experience with the children, be it telling jokes, making children smile, playing games, giving educational talks, painting faces, helping the children with some homework, making arts and crafts, or teaching!

Truth be told, however, it is generally the case that the real students turn out to be the volunteers themselves, because for every little bit of English, or mathematics that they teach the children, the same volunteers learn a lot more in respect of appreciation of the many things they have got but often, however, take for granted. They may say that the proof is in the pudding, but we like to think of the proof as being volunteers returning to Malta humbled by the experience, and keen to return again on another future voluntary work experience!

