**Jean-Pierre, 10**

Jean-Pierre lives in an area of northern Lima where there is lots of poverty. Parents often travel long distances to work, leaving children alone and at risk from violence and accidents. Many children also fall behind at school or drop out.

Jean-Pierre goes to a homework club, a safe space where he can do his homework and study, planting seeds for the future. After the children have done their homework, they can play and do puzzles and games.

They also have a garden to tend to. The children have been learning how to grow plants. They have made signs to illustrate the rules of their garden. Jean-Pierre's sign is about not watering the plants when the sun is out and it’s too hot.

“When I’m in the homework club I feel good, I feel happy... I like to water the plants so that they grow. Without plants we can’t breathe.”