

9TH APRIL, BASECAMP

I LOVE RESTDAYS!!! OK, SO OUR PLAN IS ON EASTER SUNDAY, ANDRONICO, MISAIL, KIKO, ERNESTO AND MYSELF WILL HEAD UP TO CAMP 1 AND 2 ACCLIMATIZING BETWEEN THESE TWO CAMPS UNTIL 15TH OR 16TH APRIL UPON WHEN WE WILL RETURN TO BASECAMP.

I HAD BREAKFAST TODAY AND THEN BEGAN THE ARDUOUS TASK OF SORTING OUT ALL MY GEAR TO BE TAKEN UP TO CAMP 1 AND 2 AND THEN A HIGH CAMP BAG FOR CAMP 3 AND 4. MY CAMP 4 BAG HAS MY DOWN SUIT GIVEN TO ME BY MY GREAT GIRLFRIEND KAT POOLEY AND MY MINUS 40 SLEEPING BAG WAS GIVEN TO ME BY MY MUM AS HER GOODLUCK PRESENT TO ME, SEEING BOTH BROUGHT TEARS TO MY EYES AS I THOUGHT OF MY LIFE AT HOME. ONE THING BEING IN THE ICEFALL THESE PAST 3 DAYS HAS MADE ME REALIZE QUITE WHAT A HUGE CHALLENGE TRYING TO CLIMB MOUNT EVEREST IS.

AT MIDDAY I WENT OVER TO SEE DAVE, THE PRODUCER FOR THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL AND HE INTERVIEWED ME FOR ABOUT HALF AN HOUR. THEY ARE A GREAT BUNCH OF PEOPLE AND I SAW SHANNA WAS ON HER REST DAY TOO. I THINK THEY WILL ALSO HEAD UP TO CAMP 1 ON SUNDAY TOO.

I CAME BACK TO BASE CAMP FOR LUNCH AND IM JUST RELAXING DOING MY JOURNALS AND IM ABOUT TO WATCH A MOVIE. ITS AMAZING THE TECHNOLOGY THESE DAYS!!