

APRIL 7TH BASECAMP

TODAY IS MY REST DAY, I PLAN TO WASH MY HAIR FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ABOUT 10 DAYS.

AFTER BREAKFAST, ANDRONICO AND ERNESTO HEADED INTO THE ICEFALL AS ANDRONICO HASN'T BEEN IN YET. I DID SOME WORK ON THE COMPUTER AND THEN HEADED OVER TO THE DISCOVERY CHANNELS TENT. AS I PASSED DAVID S TENT I HEARD THAT BOTH THE DIRECTORS STEPHEN AND JOHN HAD MADE IT UP ONTO THE LADDERS IN THE ICEFALL, REALLY VERY IMPRESSIVE. I POPPED INTO CONGRATULATE JOHN AND THEN HEADED ON TO CHAT WITH BEN AND DAVID FROM DISCOVERY.

I'VE AGREED WITH THEM TO LET THEM FILM MY ATTEMPT TO MAKE THE SUMMIT OF MOUNT EVEREST. THEY WANT A VERY REAL PERSPECTIVE OF WHAT THE CLIMBS ABOUT SO I HAVE TO LET THEM HAVE FULL ACCESS, IF IM THROWING UP OUTSIDE MY TENT THEY WANT TO FILM IT! I JOINED THEM FOR THEIR PUJA CEREMONY FOR A WHILE AND THEN HEADED BACK HERE TO WASH MY HAIR!

MY FRIEND SIAN WHOM I MET IN DOLE CAME AND VISITED BASECAMP TODAY, SHE IS SO NICE! SHE GAVE ME SOME MINT CAKE FROM WALES, THE SAME CAKE THAT SIR EDMUND HILLARY AND TENZING ATE AT THE TOP OF MOUNT EVEREST IN 1953. I WAS REALLY TOUCHED AT HER THOUGHTFULNESS AND WISHED I COULD HAVE SPENT LONGER WITH HER TODAY.

TOMORROW IM HEADING HIGHER INTO THE ICEFALL SO IM TAKING IT EASY THIS AFTERNOON AS WE ARE GOING IN AT 7.30AM..