

The world's tallest 5-year-old boy: he's 5ft 7in and STILL growing

Indian boy, Karan Sing, stands at an impressive 5ft 7in (170 cm) tall even though he's just a five-year-old.

In 2008 this giant child made it onto the Guinness Book of World Records for being the tallest and heaviest baby.

Since then the Indian boy's incredible growth spurt has not slowed down and shows no signs of slowing.

According to the boy's father Sanjay, when Karan was born he weighed an amazing 15.4lbs (7kg) and measured more than 2ft (63 cm).



Sanjay, who is 35 years old, said: "When he was born, he was unusually tall and heavy. We thought that he might be suffering from some kind of medical condition. But the doctors said he was healthy and fine.

"The height and weight even shocked some doctors. Then Guinness recognized Karan as the heaviest and the tallest baby born."

If you see Karan's parents, it's quite obvious that his colossal height is due to his genes.

You see, Karan's father Sanjay is 6ft 7in (201 cm) tall and - not to be outdone - his mother Svetlana, who is 26, towers over most everyone at 7ft 3in (221 cm)!

She was recognized as India's tallest woman and is also famous for being one of the tallest women in South Asia.

"We are a tall family. If I go somewhere, I find myself to be the tallest person in the gathering. But when I come home, I am dwarfed in presence of my wife. Maybe a couple of years on, my son will also make me feel like a dwarf." Sanjay said.

Karan gets a lot of extra attention where ever he goes and he enjoys it.

"Because I am bigger than them all, I don't get bullied by anyone here. But they all say that I am cheating when we play basketball or cricket," said Karan.

Karan will turn 6 in November. He goes to a primary school and wants to become a professional basketball player when he grows up. Fortunately for him, his mother is a great basketball coach.

Karan's mom is a basketball coach in the local schools and even played basketball at the highest level in India.

Svetlana knows Karan is doing fine and he will grow up to be a nice and healthy man. But she acknowledges that raising a child who is unusually tall has been hard.

She said: "It is always tough. The hardest part is finding the clothes that fit him. When he was baby, kids stores would never have his size of diapers. Thank goodness we are beyond that stage now.

"Now, I just buy him adult size garments. They fit him perfectly well.