

1. A word from the project coordinator Marianne Izaaks

The roads of 2011 ends and we start the New Year 2012 in an exciting way. The big ones left and we had so many tiny little faces to take care of this coming year. It is the vision and mission of UNCSO to give the children a chance to escape the vicious circle of poverty and empower them to become stable members of the society.

There are many roads to cross this year and changes we will make. We are serious about service and quality at all levels. We would like to make changes in the life of our children in Usakos and bring a smile on their faces. It is our aim as a NGO to contribute towards positive changing conditions for orphans and vulnerable children.

Therefore I want to thank each one, who makes this possible. Without you, the stakeholders, donors, volunteers, parents and workers, UNCSO will not become this successful programme. Therefore, all credit goes to all, who are a part of this organization and who helps us to make this vision come true.

2. Volunteers



Werner Bojert (63), teacher, Bremen, Germany,
13.01.-23.03.2012

Dustin Voss (20), High school graduate, Frankfurt,
Germany, 13.01.-06.04.2012

Anne Hanika (24), student of social work, Nürnberg,
Germany, 15.01.-09.03.2012



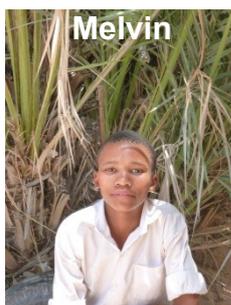
Sina Beckmann (26), teacher, Augsburg, Germany,
13.01.-06.04.2012

Katja Kraft (23), Student of cultural studies, Bayreuth,
Germany, 13.01.-06.04.2012

Britta Klimmek (27), teacher, München, Germany,
30.03.-22.06.2012

3. Leavers

With sadness we say goodbye to the senior learners of the center. We wish them lots of luck for the high school.



4. Welcomes

We welcome all new faces of UNCESO and we are looking forward to have a nice time with the children.



Andreis



Jakobi



Lukas



Markus



Taleni



Stanley



Jan



Collins



Theopaulina



Ollvia



Aletha



Margreth



Petricia

5. Work at UNCESO

Parents meeting

To find a new board for UNCESO we had a parents meeting. This evening we also had the chance to step in contact with the parents and to talk about their problems and needs.

A new worker will be welcomed in June to support the daily work of UNCESO. This mother of a UNCESO child will work permanently at the center. We are looking forward to this cooperation.



Riverparty in the Khan River

There, the children started to play soccer and other ball games right away, while the volunteers, Marianne, the cook Petra and Auntie Lena made a fire for lunch. After a couple hours of playing and exploring the dry river bed area, singing and dancing, everybody sat

together for a lunch. We had Hot Dogs with different sauces and self-made donuts for desert. For a light snack in between, we had watermelon.

After lunch and a short period of rest, we began with our main event of the day, the „Khan River Olympiad“. The kids were distributed into groups of 5 and participated in various activities. The children competed in games like sack racing and the egg and spoon race, but also had to prove their knowledge of Namibia and Africa in a quiz. In the end, everybody got a small price for his efforts.

It was a great, adventurous and exciting day for the kids! Thank you to all donators, who helped Katja to collect the needed sum.



playing



dancing



and eating “Hot Dogs”

HIV- and Hygiene Day

During our time in Usakos we were able to learn what poverty concern. The families don't have a shower facility at home. Because of this we had several hygiene days with the children, where they took a shower and brushed their teeth. They also got a toothbrush and toothpaste as a present. Thank you for these donations!



Furthermore we had counseling sessions with the children about AIDS / HIV.

Daily activities



doing Crafts and Arts



beauty day



playing in the rain water



feeling boxes to improve the senses

House visits

During our time in Usakos we visited almost every house of the children. To identify social and financial problems of the children and their families, as well as to see the living conditions of them, there are house visits every school term (every 3 months). The house visits ensure a professional help based on the individual need of the families.

During the house visits we had the chance to step in contact with the families, to analyze the needs of them, to give them counseling and we saw, how the children have to live. For this occasion, we prepared some questions, which we asked the families. The families welcomed us nicely and answered all our questions. This was the most emotionally part of our work, because we saw what poverty concern.



6. Changes at UNCSO

New book shelves were built by volunteers and Werners friend. Thank you!



7. Donations





8. Votes of Thanks

- Deutsch Namibische Gesellschaft (DNG)
- Furthermore, we take the opportunity to say thank you to all our sponsors and donors over DNG and the private ones for your loyalty and support.
- Sister Angela Plassmann
- Mr. and Mrs. Pfannkuchen
- All previous volunteers, who donated material and financial donations.
- All friends and families of the volunteers Werner Bojert, Katja Kraft, Sina Beckmann and Anne Hanika, who donated money. Thank you for your money, which we used for example for new school uniforms and our riverparty.
- Thank you for all material donations, which we used during our daily work at the center (like balls, games, and books) or gave out to the children as a present (like stationaries, clothes).

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9. Future

Hopes and wishes for the future

- Microwave for the center to warm up the lunch for the children, who attend afternoon classes
- Computers for the center to learn the children basic knowledge and to do educational games
- Reading and counting learning material

10. Support

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