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Greetings

The end of the first school term is here, we were able to enroll 55 kids for the new school year. After the very dry drought of more than 5 years, most parts of Namibia received very good rain. The Khan River was flooded. The projects undertaken this quarter were successfully completed. I would like to extend my gratitude to all donors and volunteers, without you, it would not be possible. With your contribution we were able to make many children's hearts happy so we want to thank all donors and volunteers for their wonderful work. A cheer or appreciation to our donors. Visitors this quarter it was great to have you here.

Appreciation can make a day even change a life. Your willingness to put it into words is all that is necessary

Greetings Marianne and Ingrid

New Centre kids

This term we welcomed 2 new kids to the Center.



Rowen, Grade 7



Genade, Grade 4

Volunteers

UNCSO was very happy about the support of 11 volunteers from Germany.



Helene Schuele [18]
Goettingen
High school graduate
15.01.2017-25.04.2017



Katharina Greiner [23]
Dortmund
Student of special
education
16.01.2017-01.03.2017



Lena Eckert [23]
Wuerzburg
Nurse
23.01.2017-16.03.2017



Christine Weber [18]
Muenchen
High school graduate
13.01.2017-25.04.2017



Leona Kemmer [20]
Heidelberg
Student of primary school
lectureship
14.02.2017-16.03.2017



Johannes Geck [18]
Recklinghausen
High school graduate
15.01.2017-10.04.2017



Antonia Elfe [18]
Frankfurt
High school graduate
16.01.2017-25.04.2017



Mareike Brueggemann [22]
Dortmund
Student of special education
16.01.2017-01.03.2017



Helen Kemmer [18]
Heidelberg
High school graduate
15.01.2017-28.07.2017



Anna Barkavitz [23]
Leipzig
Student of special education
16.01.2017-25.02.2017



Susann Lehmann [28]
Leipzig
Student of special education
16.01.2017-25.02.2017

House Visits

The house visits is one of the most important steps in the whole Term. It shows the living circumstances of the children and explains their behavior. In this term we visited 23 houses and were able to see both, the developments within the families and the grievances that are yet to improve.

Many houses have already been built or upgraded by previous volunteers, so that most of the children at least have an own bed including pillow and blanket and sometimes even an own room by now. But there were still some issues to see. The abuse of alcohol, illnesses within the family or parents not having an employment or living somewhere else are main problems concerning the family situation of the children.

We hope that the projects we initiated will help to improve the kids' living circumstances.



Projects

Thanks to the donations we received from our family and friends we were able to start with our projects. We built a new room for Jonas, Richard and Loloki, put a cement floor into **Hendrienas** house and stabilised her roof. Moreover we bought four new beds, mattresses and blankets for some of the children who did not have their own ones before. Furthermore we were able to buy clothes bags as well as carepackages which contained hygienic products for every kid in the center.



Kids happy with their new clothes bags



After loading 50kg from the river



Exhausted workers in front of a finished shack



Before



After



Jonas happy about his new room



Richarge happy about his new room



Lolokie happy about her new room



In front of Andreas new shack



In front of Richards new shack

Visitors

It's always nice to see old faces again: This term Fiona Nagerski, a previous volunteer from 2016, visited us with her mother and delighted the kids with little presents like sweets and soap.



Athletics Day

Furthermore Katharina Welling, who volunteered in 2015, visited also the Center with her friends on their journey through Namibia.



Also Marion Wallek with her boyfriend came visiting. They delighted the kids with new shirts.



All kids received new shirts

Easter Party

On the last day of school for this term, the volunteers organized an Easter party for the kids and Marianne. The kids did an “Easter Hunt” in the dried out riverbed of the Kahn river in Usakos. During which they could play games or solve puzzles at 8 different stations. Afterwards everyone ate and played in the shadows of the big trees. There was fresh fruit and cake as well as refreshing ice cream and cool drinks to enjoy for each kid. A former Centrekid even gave the children a little music performance. When everyone had rested enough, every child could search for their easter baskets, which were prepared by them on a previous day in the center. The basket was filled with sweets. All the children had a lot of fun and at the end of the day when everyone went home they were exhausted but very happy.





Future Wishes

We wish Marianne and the whole organisation good luck for the future. Hopefully the new property for the Center will develop as planned and become a joyfull new home for UNCSO. Furthermore, we of course hope that all the children evolve further into responsible, kind grown-ups. Hopefully we could improve their life standard

Thank You

In this Term, as you can see, we were able to improve the life standard of many children, in forms of house building, activities and general essentials like hygiene articles. We hereby want to thank all the donators of UNCSO. Without your support we could not have achieved as much as we did. Already small donations can make a difference – it could be a toothbrush for a new Center-Kid, a soap to wash the children on a friday or even a pack of cookies as a treat. Bigger donations allow us to do even bigger projects like to build houses and provide them with cement floors and beds. Long-term donations give UNCSO a constant support and therefore a stable future.



Donation account

As we already described, donations are keeping UNCSO running, and help us to improve the life of the children. Permanent donators guarantee a stable future for our organisation.

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