# NEWSLETTER



## **News January and February**

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### **GREETINGS**

This year Namibia is blessed with good rain, we received so much rain that our water sources was able to rehabilitate now. We also want to express our gratitude to our donors, supporter's, stakeholders and every volunteer and their families for their support and contribution towards the sustainability of the organization. We open our doors on the 10th of January for operate, hence our low covid rates the schools are operating at a capacity of 80%.

### **WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS**

Uncso is blessed with volunteers from Germany. The volunteer's assistance with homework and activities is very important and helps the children to discover their talents in the daily life's. Uncso is always in need of helping hands and appreciate all the help we can get. We understand and appreciate your care so deeply, and you step up to support the things you believe in regardless of the personal cost. Thank you for being an inspiration to us. We look forward to work with you and continue to make a difference together.



Luisa (25), Imogene (29) a Namibian who is also part of the team for 2022, Carlotta (18) and Lesley (24)

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.

**Henry Ford** 



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# Achievements at school

Maneko, a grade 7 girl at the Erongosig primary school has been selected as a prefect at her school.

We congratulate her with this achievement and we are very proud of her.

## **New school clothes**

### It's called a story for a reason.

Most parents can't afford the necessary school clothes for their children and school uniform is compulsory in Namibian schools. We are thankful and grateful for donor, stakeholders, volunteers and families who made it possible for 50 children to receive school uniform as well as a school bag this year. It was a lot of work to figure out all the sizes and fitting sessions but in the end all that counts is the smile on the children's faces when they show up with their brand-new, school outfits!





## Intake of new children

Uncso focuses yearly to add more children to our group. This children selection is done very careful with the help of our schools and welfare. The most needy children and their families are helped to improve their life's. The families need especially assistance with clean water, food and housing.

Volunteer donations help the children to sleep in a safe bed and have a nice blan- ket to cover them.



**Grade 1: Toivo, Sem , Henriette , Sharon and Tonata** 



**Grade 2:** Ismealdo and Maria **Grade 3:** Blessing **Grade 4:** Winter and Ismael





**Grade 6: Rauna Grade 7: Ileni** 

## <u>Cultural</u> dav

On the cultural day everyone could showcase their different culture and the diversity in the Uncso center. The children brought their traditional food as well as dressed in their traditional clothes to show the German volunteers. In the Center, there are a lot of different languages due to the different cultures, like Damara, Oshiwambo and Kavango. Also, the volunteers talked about the German culture and brought some typical German Apfelkuchen.





## **Daily Center activities**

Daily duties and tasks in the center: toothbrushes and cups for the new children and the birthday calendar had to be updated with pictures and names of the new children. This was helpful to learn the names of all 50 kids!

Besides all the organization, the first weeks was not just all work, we had some fun as well with games and dancing, to get to know each other. The volunteers also enjoyed teaching games like "Eierwettlauf", "Reise nach Jerusalem" and dancing "Waka Waka" by Shakira. They loved it and learned it quickly! Everybody had a lot of fun.





### The new start

The schools started at the 10th of January and the children needed books and stationary. We assisted the children with writing books as well as stationary. The hardest part was to cover all the writing books. The first challenge for the new volunteers was help covering the children's school books the first two weeks.



### The month of L-O-V-E!

Since Valentine's Day is right in the middle of this month, we decided to build everything around the topic of love. Starting with a lovely arts and crafts week: building wind charms out of mostly recycled materials. We made lots of different glitter paper flowers and napkin-art shells. The grades 1-5 made spiral wind charms out of plastic bottles. The older ones built their own wind charms out of air-dry clay and yarn. By Friday before Valentine's Day we were all done and could hang the charms up on the ceiling.











### **VALENTINES DAY**

With the 14<sup>th</sup>, the LOVE- week started. The kids made Valen- tine love-cards for whoever they wanted and ending the with choco- late cake made by the volunteers.

The week continued with a talking day. The kids collected very nice and suiting words and phrases, on what they think is love. The older ones even talked about sensitive topics like "Love is Love". We had our challenge day where they got split up in 4 groups, in which they had to create group posters with love as the topic. When they were done, the kids presented their results to the "judges". The winner team was allowed to start painting their ideas on an outside wall of the Center! The ones not busy painting made friendship-bracelets out of wool. Everyone had a lot of fun.











### For any intended purposes of your donations:

Daily warm meals in the centre -

Warm clothes, blanket and school tracksuits.

Gas for cooking and Electricity.

Vegetable seeds and a playground.

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