

## Word from the Program Coordinator



Start the New Year with revived hope, energy and a lot of excitement. 2012 was a good year with the help and assistance from donors and sponsors we could achieved most of our goals set and change the lives of many OVC. We want to express our appreciation to our donors for their valuable support. With a team of committed volunteers that deliver their

best UNCSO is geared for 2013. Management wants to thank all involved for their loyal support.

### A GOOD HEAD AND A GOOD HEART ARE ALWAYS A FORMIDABLE COMBINATION.

#### VOLUNTEERS.



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**Natalie Graeff**, 22 years old  
Nurse from Friedrichshafen,  
Participation in the project  
14.01.– 17.02.2013



**Susann Matthiesen**, 23 years old  
studying to become a teacher for Geography, Art and German  
Greifswald  
Participation at the project  
14.01. – 26.02.2013



**Kathinka Schröder**, 19 years old  
high- school graduate from Berlin  
Participation in the project  
14.01.– 14.02.2013



**Hiltrud Fischer**,  
Pensioner  
Participation in the project  
06.02. – 20.03.2013



**Nicole Schulze**, 27 years old  
student from Duisburg/ Essen  
Participation in the project  
09.03.2013 – 18.04.2013



**Christina Mohr**, 27 years old  
social worker  
Participation in the project  
21.01. – 28.02.2013



**Leyla Kikiernicki**, 25 years old  
Studying Psychologic  
Greifswald  
Participation in the project  
28.01.-28.03.2013



**Johanna König**, 22 years old  
Studying Psychologic  
Greifswald  
Participation in the project  
28.01-28.03.2013



**Marlen – Charlott Fischer**, 25 years old  
Studying Politics and Art  
Greifswald  
Participation in the project  
11.02.2013 – 18.04.2013



**Daniela Gentschow**, 27 years old  
Student of German and Philosophy Schwerin  
Participation in the project  
25.02.2013 – 18.04.2013

### ***Kids leaving us – Farewell, guys!***

For different reasons some of our children have left the center after 2012. We say goodbye to Collins, who is now at the Secondary School in Windhoek as well as to Ellen and Franziska, who are also going to the Secondary School since 2013. We say also those children goodbye who moved out of Usakos. All the best for Hedwina, Hilaria and Johannes, who went to family members in Tsumeb as well as Theopolina, who is going to school in Henties Bay.



### ***Newcomers – We welcome you!***

Seven new first graders are in the center to bring fresh air into the life there. We welcome Michel, Lollotjie, Palomieta, Melody, Dezi, Michelle and Michael to the UNCSO.



### ***River Party!***



It was Susann's last day and Christina's almost last day that we decided to take the kids out for a lovely afternoon on the waterless river. As a Highlight, we brought the kids with the Buggy there and we took games, balls, parachute and pick nick-stuff like chips, plums and cool drinks with us and

we all had so much fun! The kids were playing and climbing all over; laughing the whole day...sometimes it's just an awesome experience and something very special to everyone to bring the kids out of the Center.



It makes them so happy!

## ***New school uniform***



Once a year the children are getting a new school uniforms. It was time for new cloths. The kids were Happy and proud of their new cloths, so they didn't want to take them off anymore.



## ***New Chairs and Tables***

All commitment was incredibly helpful and allowed us to reach our goal. Your assistance means so much to us but even more to the children. Everyone can now have a nice chair for study time and eating. Thank you from all of us for the nice chairs and tables.



## ***Painting***

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Schröder (Katinka's parents) and Mr. Gerhard Louw from Neo Paint Walvisbay for the generous donations. It is now a great pleasure to work in fresh colorful and bright rooms.



## ***House Visits***

Something special for us were the house visits Marianne took us with. That gave us the opportunity to learn and understand a part of the life of our children better. Their circumstances, families and structures they live in and also the problems some of them have to face day by day.

In the families of our children I could clearly see the consequences that poverty brings with, low level of education, unemployment, hunger, violence, diseases, alcohol abuse and drug abuse. Some of our kids lost one or both of their parents and they live now with other relatives or foster families. In almost every family the number of kids is pretty high, what makes their circumstances even more difficult.



## ***Parent's event***



Our parent`s event of this trimester was a happy and colorful happening. For our motto" the four seasons" the volunteers prepared together with the children songs, dances and colorful costumes for each season. Every volunteer had in average 10 children in her group; it was an intense and also sometimes very hard time. On the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013 all were rewarded for their efforts. After all kids had put on their costumes the program started. The introduction was made by Marianne

singing with the kids a song in Afrikaans. After that all four seasons followed, beginning with spring up to the winter. One child was our little gardener who worked through all the four seasons. The final made the “four-season- song” and “oh happy day” sung by all kids together in front of our completed colorful four-season tree. It was a pleasure for us and the parents to watch the children having so much fun performing and being so proud of themselves.



### ***Visitors from Germany***

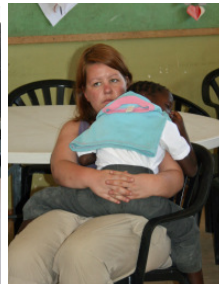
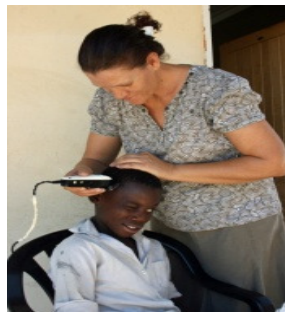
***Thank you! It was great to meet with you! We are glad we got the opportunity to talk.***

This term we also welcomed nice visitors from Germany. Together we shake hands, sang along and laughed a lot. We shared some impressions of our daily program and a lot of our love. Thank you!



## Day to Day Activities

The children enjoy the attention and love they get



## Support

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## ***Future Wishes***

Printer for daily worksheets at the centre

- Repair of the windows of the centre
- Over locker needle work machine
- Embroidery needle work machine
- Curtains for the centre
- Daily used objects like pencils, sharpeners, rubbers, etc.
- Play park = fencing and swings and a trampoline
- Fridge

