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Wake up! News

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Taking stock

At the end of the school year we look back at a busy year with many highlights and challenges and look ahead for new perspectives. Not all the projects we hoped for materialised. We managed to raise funds to build one additional classroom but plan to build two. So we are still in the process of talking with local companies to help us realise the next building phase.

The Reading Club took off and then stopped due to a lack of volunteers to help Grade 1-3s with reading. A new drive to find volunteers is on its way. Similarly the Baking Project still needs a volunteer to steer its activities. Martina our cook finished the Chef's Course and is now ready to take on a whole lot more. What held us back with a number of projects was the lack of a fence around the centre's property. However the year closed with great news: The Lions Club Windhoek Alte Feste let us know they will sponsor the fencing around the whole perimeter of our property, assessed at a cost of N\$85,000 (€9000). This will happen early next year. Now we can plan for an extension of the playground and garden. Furthermore we will receive two wooden containers from a local building company, which can now be fenced in and serve as additional classroom and storage space. We will keep you posted on all these developments!

From the Editor

Dear Readers,

This last term the school year was over before we realised. This had to do with nationwide teacher strikes in November, which made a lot of children stay home with their older siblings, who had no teachers for almost two weeks. In this letter we would like to share the highlights and some current developments with you. From the Wake up! Team we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy and Healthy 2013.

Last Term's Highlights

Children playing 'Cinderella'



Fishing on the Fun Day



Happy Graduates

Outing to the Children's Zoo



Planning for the Future

At the end of November we started a Strategic Planning Process, inviting partners, stakeholders and friends for a workshop to look into the centre's future. The main point on our agenda was how to survive financially as a private school for children from low-income parents. We need more networking and lobbying in Namibia to find local sponsorships and build commitment to pre-school education for all. We will post the report on our website.



Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help us realise various projects:

- ⇒ Playground development & landscaping
- ⇒ Setting up a Reading Lab
- ⇒ Setting up a Catering Business
- ⇒ Computer Training for Teachers

And of course: Teaching in the Classroom

Do let us hear from you!

Learning moments

