



# News Update – June 2012

Dear friends!

In May, Projecto Horizonte celebrated its 8th Birthday. I was fortunate to be able to participate in the events live via Skype. I could experience how all employees, volunteers, children and parents celebrated the day. Not only the fact that we have been working 8 years, but also that we can connect live via the Internet to the development of Projecto Horizonte and the community is impressive. This opens many opportunities for the children and also allows our friends to find out more about life on the ground. Do you want to get to know us "live" as well? I would be happy to introduce you to Projecto Horizonte.

Yours Christian Ruehmer

### Please help us. It is lots of fun!

Projecto Horizonte has about 70 employees locally. In addition there are many volunteers in Bolivia as well as internationally. We have the perfect task for each time budget and have many ideas for you. In particular, small fund-raising campaigns to help us. How much fun can make the employees, you can read on our blog of volunteers. One of the best quotes is: " Each volunteer's experience is only limited by his or her own motivation. That sounds like something out of a fortune cookie, but it's completely true". Have we sparked your interest? [Talk to us!](#)

## Here are some examples of our activities of the past weeks!

### Volunteers in the school

This year four volunteers started to support the 1st and 2nd class of the school. This allows the teachers to better proceed with their schedules while the children receive support with specific assignments. The volunteers also support the English classes and the teachers in special education classes. With this approach we can further improve the quality of our education and can ensure that each child receives the support according to their needs.



### Projecto Horizonte turns 8!

The 8th anniversary of Projecto Horizonte was celebrated in conjunction with "dia de familia" on the 13th of May. The event included a variety of games mainly for the fun of the children of the community. Numerous food stalls offered a large variety of dishes and were run by the teachers of Projecto Horizonte. Live, traditional music from local musicians was appreciated by all. Projecto Horizonte's 8th anniversary proved to be a great celebration for staff, volunteers and the community.



### "And it tastes great"

Across the schoolyard one could smell delicious soups and other freshly prepared local cuisine. As our kitchen was recently upgraded, the school canteen had its grand opening. Students now have the opportunity to enjoy a hot meal everyday for which they pay to cover the operating expenses. The opening of the canteen is another significant milestone to provide a better and healthier lifestyle for both children and teachers.



### New Computers for the School

Thanks to a significant donation, we were able to expand our compute room in the primary school. Students are taught school subjects and basic skills using educative programs. The school is also offering weekly computer classes to the rest of the community and to our neighbors as well as the staff of Projecto Horizonte. The program consists of a 10-week course, where the participants receive tutoring in Excel and Word. For many children and community members, this course is the first contact with computers.



### Let's speak English

As part of our concept to complement the school program, we started to offer English classes. The first term will round up in early June. 27 children from the community participated in this program that was offered for 10 weeks by our Professor Mary. Soon we will offer this class also to our staff. In combination with the new computers and the fact that we reach out to more and more friends, the English classes will facilitate the communication of our team with people from around the world.



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