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## News from The Namibian Support Unit

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We wish Roeline good luck with her next step!



Pre-school in Outjo with the teachers Merlyn, Clerinda and Belinda



Meeting with the community in Masambo

### New VSO volunteers in the office

On 14 March Manish Mishra and Ineke Ouwehand arrived in Windhoek. Manish comes from India. He will work as an Organisational Development Advisor with The N̄a Jaqna Conservancy.

Manish: 'I am really happy to have this opportunity to contribute to Namibia and especially to the N̄a Jaqna Conservancy. I will support the development and implementation of community projects and management capacity.'

Ineke comes from The Netherlands and will work as communication officer in the Namibian Support Unit.

Ineke: 'I like the idea of sharing skills with my colleagues in the Wimsa office. I am very impressed about the work they are doing for and with the San and look forward contributing to the goals of WIMSA.'

We wish them a fruitful period at WIMSA!

### Graduation

The graduation of Roeline An-aobes on 26 March was a joyful moment. Accompanied by family and friends, Roeline obtained her Basic Education Teachers Diploma. Roeline is one of the students who grabbed the chance to study Education thanks to the financial support of WIMSA. As from 2001 this project is going and until now 35 students have been graduated. Roeline: 'I loved to study and thanks to WIMSA I can start my career.'

### Fieldtrip to Caprivi West 5-9 April

Good to see the kids and the ECD teachers in the classrooms. Brighten Simasiku, Namibian Support Unit Manager, and Ineke Ouwehand visited several ECD schools in West Caprivi. The kids gave them a warm welcome and sang the most beautiful songs. Brighten talked with the communities about several solutions for issues they raised.

### Education Programme Officer

The newly appointed Education Programme Officer, Kingston Makoni, has started his job at the Namibian Support Unit. In the next newsletter he will introduce himself and tell us more about his tasks and ideas in the Namibian Support Unit Office.

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