

# Newsletter

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All you need to know about March and April 2017

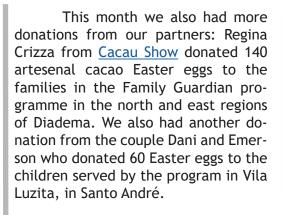
## **Easter Egg Delivery**

In April children at ACER got a great treat for Easter: parents of <u>St Paul's School</u> pupils collected donations for 350 chocolate eggs for them. Many of them would have not received traditional Easter eggs this year, so this kind act made them really happy at a time of the year children love the most. Every child who is part of the education and culture activities, the Family Guardian programme and some of the classes in the Football and Citizenship project received Easter eggs.



"I had the chance to get an Easter egg that my parents might not have been able to give me. I am going to wait to open it on Easter Sunday and I am really happy to have received it", said André, one of the children who took part in the hunt in a Brinquedos and Brincadeiras session.

A special thanks to <u>St Paul's</u> <u>School</u> Parent and Teacher Association and Leda Machado who raised money to buy the 350 chocolate eggs.



Dona Romilda de Santo André wanted to share the following with us: "Good afternoon, I would like to thank Kelly and all the staff who





made my grandchildren so happy this Easter; thank you for the Easter egg, I don't have words to thank you for your thoughts and actions. It doesn't take much to make a child happy, and you were able to do that for my grandchildren. Thank you not only for my grandson but for all the children, thank you very much and God Bless. "

At ACER Brasil we thank Regina Crizza, Dani and Emerson for their donations that provided a happy Easter for the children of the Family Guardian programme.



### Interview with our new volunteers

What's your name? Simon Gilroy

How old are you? 28

Where are you from (city and country)?
Bradford - England

What did you do before volunteering at ACER? Sports teacher

How long will you stay at ACER? 6 months

What's your name? Ayesha Ismail

How old are you? 24

Where are you from (city and country)?
Bradford - England.

What did you do before volunteering at ACER? Special needs teacher

How long will you stay at ACER? 6 months

What's your name? James Abbott

How old are you? 19

Where are you from (city and country)?

Sandwich - England

What did you do before volunteering at ACER?

I finished school in June last year and worked in England. I will start university in September, studying medicine in London

How long will you stay at ACER? 4 weeks

What's your name? Sarah Yeung

How old are you? 24

Where are you from (city and country)?

Saffron Walden - England

What did you do before volunteering at ACER?

In England, I worked with children, doing art and providing emotional support. I worked at charities, teaching adopted children art.

How long will you be at ACER? 1 year









# Second Graduation for the Family Guardian Programme

On 29 April, ACER Brasil held the second graduation who took part, it was a moment gramme. About 50 people were recognise the difficult situations present, with 17 guardians going through the certification process. for the future and the healthy

ACER Brasil, it was a time to celebrate the well-being and proper care children and adolescents.

event, the potential and ability of these families to keep their children safe and free from violence.

According to the families Family Guardian pro- for self-awareness, a moment to they had overcome and to plan development of their children.

We wish to thank all of the families who attended, our vice president Inês Maria, Jonathan Hannay, the members of the ACER Bra-We recognised, through the sil percussion band, who played the National Anthem beautifully, and Vilma Libano, who, with great love, prepared our celebratory supper!



## Interview with volunteer Ashley



What's your name? Ashley Viteri

What country are you from?

Equador

How did you come to hear about ACER?

Through Oyster Worldwide, a volunteering organisation that works across the world

How long did you stay at ACER?

3 months

## What did you like most about ACER?

I built my volunteering experience where I had the opportunity to work with adults and children, and I liked working with children. I also liked that at ACER, you can do anything and you can try new things.

What surprised you about your time at ACER?

The level of the inequality that exists - seeing that made me want to continue working for social causes.

## Fifth training session for Sports for Social Impact

In the last week of April, ACER Brasil received its fifth training session for Sports for Social Impact, given by Nora Dooley from our partner Coaches Across Continents. In addition to our sports team, other participants in the session included professionals from the Rio de Janeiro organisation Terra dos Homens, the Gol de Letra foundation, the São Paulo local government, and the organisation Instituto Passe de Magica, among others. We had 23 participants in total during the week of training, and the week ended with all those participants receiving certificates from Coaches for Continents.

This year, the emphasis for Coaches Across Continents is on its Ask for Choice curriculum, which addresses gender issues. The group focused on the issue of why it is so difficult to increase female participation in sport, and looked at the individual, cultural and social barriers that contribute to low female attendance at sport sessions. Every person at the training vowed to take action to change this pattern. We wish to thank everyone for taking part, and we give special thanks to Nora and Coaches Across Continents for their technical help and Childreach International for their financial support which enables us to develop this work.











Last Tuesday (28), our Young Mediators held an action at Eldorado Ecological Park.

30 Mar

On April 1st, 19 children from the sport nucleus participated in the tournament for children and adolescents at the Sports Practice Center of the University of São Paulo.

Our incredible partners making the joy of the kids! Thank you Regina Crizza and Dani and Emerson

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## AGENDA MAY

- 11 ACER officials attend the workshop 'Online fundraising with social engagement'
- 18 Pre-event for International Day at St. Paul's
- 27 International Day at St. Paul's