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## National Children's Day 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016

Whilst in Santa Maria we bumped into Aldir, the teacher from Centro Nos Kaza. He informed us of an event to celebrate National Children's Day at the Viveiro, Tropical Garden and Petting Zoo next to Vila Verde where many children that attend Centro Nos Kaza would be enjoying a fun day. He suggested that we may like to attend and invited us to come along between 3-6pm, which we duly accepted. We arrived at Viveiro just as the mini bus transporting all the children arrived. We didn't count the children, but it was very well attended, approximately 30 children plus.



The children were paired up and divided into two separate groups, each group were then



led around the petting zoo and given a talk on all of the animals there, donkeys, goats, rabbits and ducklings to mention a few.

Everyone there was given a full plate of food, handed out by both the many



helpers that were there and the children themselves. Orange juice and water was free flowing and was topped off by a slice of cake, this resulted in full tummys all round. The children ran off plenty of energy by either playing football, tag or generally running around making their own entertainment.



The day ended at 6pm when a group photo was taken, although I don't think that everyone was able to get into the frame!



A quick headcount was performed to ensure all were present, or that no extras were taken! Then the minibus was loaded and the children taken home.



A big thank you to Paola, Viveiro for providing a beautiful location for the day, to all the people that organised and assisted during the day and to Aldir and Katia for allowing us to be part of this special occasion but most of all to the children that attended for putting a huge grin on our faces throughout the day.

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