

FUN-TASTIC ENGLISH CLUB



Newsletter



Fun-tastic English Club - looking back at 2017

And what a 'fun-tastic' year it has been! On Saturday, 10 June 2017, we celebrated extensively what had started modestly with two weekly English lessons in 1997 in the Kirchgemeindehaus in Horgen. Initially, the intention was to support and extend the English skills of our own children. However, over the last 20 years, the Club has developed into a language school offering a comprehensive English programme catering for all ages and abilities.

So we decided to celebrate with a big party! There was something for everyone: snacks ranged from hotdogs to Jubilee cake, and syrup to celebratory wine with artistic labels inspired by Jackson Pollock, created by our enthusiastic preschool children.



We launched nearly 80 balloons in our balloon competition. Sadly only a few cards were posted back to us. With the northerly wind, most balloons must have gone astray in the mountains. However, two balloons successfully crossed the Alps and were found near Flims! The happy winners received vouchers for the local ice cream parlour.



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As we have done in previous years, both before and during our Open Day, we collected 5 Rappen coins for the Deaf and Blind Foundation in Langnau and broke a new record collecting 1909 coins! Many thanks to all those children who raided their piggy banks, and family and friends who emptied their purses to contribute to this worthy cause.

And once again, Leonie joined us with her amazing selection of Usborne books, making many a bookworm happy.



Apart from many current pupils and their parents, we were very happy to see some of our former teachers like Danny (with her little son Jayden), Claire, Frances and Michelle. After the party we treated ourselves by taking an extensive boat-trip on the lake of Zürich where we had time to dwell on old times and share our new experiences.

At the end of the school year in July, we sadly said goodbye to Susan, who retired after 20 years of happy collaboration - including five years of running the Club. Our thanks go to Susan for her unfailing commitment and support. We miss her not only for her competence and experience, but also for her friendship.



Despite all these festivities, we did not neglect our teaching mission for our 20 classes of children and some adults. From their point of view, Halloween might have been the highlight of the year.



During the year, we were pleased to welcome Lindsey and Karen to the team. Both of them quickly became valued members of the Fun-tastic Family. And at the beginning of next year, we will have another new teacher - Catherine - who will be joining us as Maria will be busy with her new baby!

On this happy note we send you and your family our warmest "Season's Greetings" and wish you a very happy and healthy New Year.



Your Fun-tastic Team

Bea, Deb, Maria, Lindsey, Karen, Max