

Summer Time Casa

Welcome back to the second edition of our, hopefully already popular, newsletter. By now we trust that our readers have enjoyed a taster of what life is like for us here at Casa do Caminho and can now delve deeper into the inner technical workings of the summer holidays. For those of you freezing your socks off on the other side of the world, we hope you don't get too jealous!



Summer Fun

-Midnight movie. Stretched out under the stars, the children and adolescents got a late night outdoor cinema experience, complete with popcorn, blankets... and *Nacho Libre!*

-Olympics. We held our very own week long Olympic games at Casa with the teenage boys. In two teams they fought it out for champion, with events ranging from relay races to swimming, basketball, chess and of course football.

-BBQ. No summer is complete without a BBQ, and we did it Brazilian style; with stacks of steak, refrigerate/soda to wash it down, and funk pumping on the stereo

-Cachoeiras. We are lucky enough to live in an area full of natural beauty, so we don't need much of an excuse to cool off from the sweltering sun in one of the waterfalls just a short walk from the orphanage.



-Júnior Réis trips. One of our main sponsors, politician Júnior Réis, gave Casa free reign of his bus, allowing us to take both the children and adolescents together on trips around the state of Rio. We got as far as Praia Vermelha beach to soak up some more sun, Tingua national park, and Rio zoo.



Meet the new children!

Twins Saulo and Lucas joined us recently with their little sister Ana Gleice and older sister Fabilaine, who has moved into Casa Amigas.



The brothers are boisterous and love attention, making them quite a challenge some of the time, whilst Ana prefers to sit and play quietly They are all settling into Casa life. Fabilaine loves to play soccer and during our weekly soccer training with the boys she is one of our STARS.



Super Allison

Allison is a 27 year old USA girl from Chicago. She arrived at Casa do Caminho at 01.01.2008 and will work here for 5 months Her job at Casa do Caminho is being Volunteer Cordinator and performing Educator shifts with the children.



The things she loves the most at casa is learning the different dynamics from the children and meeting people from all over the world. This was the first time that she has ever been out of the city environment. Being surrounded by the beautiful nature and landscapes is really refreshing for her. She loves teaching the kids Classic American Games which she played as a child. She spends a lot of time with the kids and she takes the children to Capoeira twice a week. The kids love Tia Allison!!!

