In this letter you can read some news about the Campaign, with puppets from Germany, Madagascar, France and Mauritius Island.

You can also read about special events in different countries for the 50th anniversary of Tapori and the messages written and read by children. In DRC, the children wrote:

“Everybody should have a place to live.”
Calvin, 9 years old
France

For October 17, you can also create a puppet show from a true story of friendship.

You can also sing the Tapori song (music on en.tapori.org)

Please send us the puppet you made if you have not send it yet.

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Activity
October 17 is the World Day to Overcome Poverty. It is a day to say STOP to poverty, YES to friendship and peace!

You can write a message for this day:

1) Think about your message.
2) Trace your hand on a sheet of paper and write your message on the hand.
3) Color it.
4) Send it to us.

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Dear Tapori friends,

We wish you a Happy Birthday!
We are sending you our chain of Friendship and peace...!

With our best wishes!

Faithfully yours,
Society “Our Children” of Opatija

Croatia

“With a friend, you are never alone”

“You are worthy!”

“Together, we are stronger!”

“Never give up.”

In a neighborhood of Berlin, Germany, from July 21 to July 23, there was a Festival of Knowledge for children, their parents and facilitators. They were very interested and moved when they listened to the story of Irenge.

In this neighborhood, the families come from many countries: Turkey, Lebanon, Palestine, Morocco and Germany. Every child made a puppet. They helped each other. They showed how to do it to those who didn’t understand German well yet. They helped their younger brothers and sisters. They had much fun making their puppets. They hope to continue this Fall when the street libraries start again. They want to build a puppet show on the theme of friendship and peace.

Yassin, Yasmin, Yussef, Mahmoud, Lamis, Hisham, Faisla, Oktay, Mohammed, Ege, Efe, Nezlihan, Mara, Ronja, Don, and some parents and facilitators of the Street library: Leoni, Maria Cruz, Nicolas, Konstantin, Josi, Ani, Roswitha, Hélène, Ursula and François.

Great Britain

Children from London answered the question in Tapori Nº411: “How do you live with your friends?”

“My friends and I, we like to go to the park and we are having a good time there. I hope that all children can have lots of fun too.”

Lily, 10 years old

“My name is Regina. I am 10 years old. I am Congolese. I drew my friend because I like her very much. I wish that all children find some friends to build friendship and peace everywhere in the world.”

Regina, 10 years old

“My friends and I, we play together all the time. I hope that all the people who are poor and those who are sick anywhere in the world get what they wish for.”

Rebecca-Grace, 10

“I play with my friends. We help each other to do our homework or when we have problems.”

Rachel-Joy, 10

Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC)

“With a friend, you are never alone”

“Never give up.”

Germany

Have a wonderful celebration for the 50 years of Tapori!