

PROGRAMME PROGRESS REPORT

JULY 2018

"NOW I CAN DO ANYTHING"

Matheus Oliveira, 21 years old, Dark Blue (Completed Secondary School, July 2018).

"THIS IS MY FOCUS, ONCE I GET THROUGH IT, WHO KNOWS WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS":

Caio Henrique Macena, 18 years old, Dark Blue

(In six months has accelerated through two years of primary education, July 2018)

SUMMARY

July means school holidays for most school students in Brazil, but at UmRio the month kicked off with a visit to our friends at Fight for Peace in Complexo da Maré. This month has also been marked by the arrival of several volunteers, who have been working with the UmRio team on administrative as well as programmatic tasks through July and August.

DEVELOPMENTS

PROGRAMME ACTIVITY:

Rugby:

OURFC Payers visit: Oxford Univeristy Blues, Ed Hart, Violet Smart and Katie Collis have arrived this month to support our rugby training sessions. Having got his Blue for Oxford at Hooker, Ed' has focused on providing specialised training in set-pieces particularly the line-out. This focus will be continued by Ed's Light Blue counter-part Andy Burnett who played against him as Hooker for Cambridge at the 2016 Varsity Match, and alongside him for the Oxbridge Under 23 Squad the year before.

We are also very excited to have welcomed Violet and Katie who both received Blues in 2017. Violet and Katie are the first OURFC Blues women to come to UmRio since Leanne and Sophie in 2016, and we are confident that it will give our girls at UmRio an extra boost as they move forward in their rugby careers.

Dallaglio's RugbyWorks: Former England and London Wasps captain and British Lions Legend, Lawrence Dallaglio set up a rugby for development charity in the UK back in 2013, Tom Painter, who leads their employability programme came to volunteer at UmRio for a shared learning experience. He supported the development of a more consolidated rugby curriculum at UmRio, and provided general administrative support.

Extra rugby: In recognizing that our young people are more vulnerable when school activities are not running, we have added an extra day of rugby during the school holidays. Furthermore, many UmRio students have gone on to study at one of Brazil's top 5 secondary schools (Colégio Pedro II) which is one of the few schools to run in mornings and afternoons from Monday to Saturday. This has meant, however, that they are unable to train during term time, so extra training during the holidays has enabled them to get back involved with rugby.

Education:

Exchange Programme: 28 young leaders from all age ranges at UmRio went to Complexo da Maré to visit one of the world's most renowned sport for development organisations – Fight for Peace. The young people were given a tour by former Fight for Peace Youth Council President Ana Caroline, had a seminar with the current Youth Council about youth leadership,

and a wrestling workshop run by two former students. The parallels between the organisational model at Fight for Peace, and UmRio's story so far and potential were clear to our programme coordinators and students alike, who returned to Morro do Castro full of energy and new ideas.

The exchange programme was sponsored by longstanding UmRio supporter Rishawd Watson, who organized a health and well-being event in Morro do Castro in April.

Preparatory Course for University Entrance Exams: building on the successes of our two students who passed the State University of Rio de Janeiro's first entrance exam last month (Ref. June report), another student from our course, Hermina Oliveira has been accepted to the Federal University Fluminense to study Art.

Primary Education: We are very proud to announce that UmRio Dark Blue, Caio Henrique Macena (18) who returned to education this year, has been accelerated through two years of primary education.

Secondary Education: We are also very proud to announce that UmRio Dark Blue Matheus Oliveira (21) completed his secondary school education this year. Matheus will be taking part in our new TEFL programme which will kick off in September, and is also looking forward to being part of the 2019/20 Pre University Entrance Exam course cohort.

28 Hours Touch Rugby: Our Blues have been working with UmRio Events Coordinator Roberto Campos to set-up our 28 hour rugby event. Roberto has been using the event to help develop skills (particularly in Portuguese and Mathematics) that can also help them through the conventional school curricula.

Planning has almost concluded, and our Blues are already finalizing their allocated deliverables. Having since seen that the world record was broken two months ago, our challenge will be 30 hours. The event will take place at João Brazil School, from Friday 3rd August, 11:30am, to Saturday 4th August, 5:30pm.

MOVING FORWARDS

IMPORTANT DATES IN JULY:

03rd **August:** 28 hour touch rugby event

03rd August: Arrival of Cambridge University Volunteers (Andy Burnett & Caspar

Ramsay)

16th **August:** CV Workshop (Employability Programme)

29th August: UmRio English Administrative Transition Begins

FINANCIALS

Financial Statements, and monthly audited accounts can be made available by our partners at **Multiplic Contabilidade** (a Brazilian-based accountancy firm) upon request.