

2017 Winter Special Games

160 children attended the Winter Special Games in Cavnic

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On February 28, 160 children and young people with special needs from the child protection services in Maramureş County participated in the 17th edition of the Winter Special Games, which took place on the Cavnic slopes. The sport event was organized by Hope and Homes for Children Romania and supported by Bridges for New Beginnings, USA.

On the occasion of the Winter Special Games, on the Cavnic slopes, the fun was the word of the day. The children and young people took part in 12 teams, Bees, Buburuzele, Puppies, Fluturas, Ghiociei, Hearts, Tulips, Daisies, Snowmen, Pisicuţele, Poneii, Steluţele and participated in the competition. They played football, X and 0 and snow on the snow, fought at the rope pulp and the egg scoop batter, took the sledge on the piste, threw bullets on the target and made snowmen.

Fun on the slopes ended with a festive moment, where children received diplomas, medals and gift bags. Children and young people - some of them participating since the first Winter Winter Games - were very pleased with the day spent on the piste in the snow, but especially the activities that were a great opportunity to compete with each other .

*" Little joys are the ones that bring us happiness and that's what we wanted today to feel the children who participated in the snow games on the ski slope in Cavnic. It was a sunny day and we will keep this tradition because hundreds of children are waiting for this event this year, "said **Stefan Dărăbuş**, regional director of Central and South Europe at Hope and Homes for Children.*

Hope and Homes for Children has been organizing the Special Winter Games since 2000 with the aim of socially integrating children and young people with special needs through leisure activities and sporting competitions specific to the winter season. These games include children and young people from child

protection services in Maramureş County, as well as from ASSOC and Esperando Association, organizations with which Hope and Homes for Children collaborate.

