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A sign for peace

25. February 2022

We have just returned from two months of research in Antarctica. Due to the current political situation, we are sending a message from the Atlantic Ocean to the world! Here on board Polarstern, people from twelve nations work and live together peacefully and amicably. We wish the same for the rest of the world. Even for us here at sea, the outbreak of war is a shock. Therefore, we would like to set a sign for peace and international cooperation with our weather balloon today.



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“All inclusive”

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Here on board the Polarstern, we have a pretty good time when it comes to food. Three cooks provide us with four meals a day: Chief Cook Sven Schnieder, Cooksmate Sebastian Matter und Baker Philipp Hermann are in the galley every morning from 4:30 a.m. to bake fresh rolls and bread, cook a hearty lunch, create delicious cakes and also prepare a warm dinner for us expedition participants. Food is one of the most important mood-setters here on board and we all appreciate the hard work of the galley crew every day.



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Our shanty choir

22. February 2022

May we introduce: Our official Polarstern shanty choir! For several weeks now, music-loving expedition participants from science and crew have been meeting to sing together. They warble old sailor classics like “Wir lagen vor Madagaskar” or “Drunken Sailor” loudly. Bernhard Diekmann and Ebbe Nürnberg accompany the choir with their guitars and thus provide the necessary rhythm. For the participants, the main thing is to have fun making music together. There are no performances on board planned yet, but we all hope that this will change during the remaining days of the expedition.