

NEWSLETTER NO.8

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Dear parents,

Allow me to wish you a wonderful Easter and briefly inform you about the events awaiting us in April.

April is traditionally the period for enrolling in the first grades and admission exams for high schools. I would like to express support to all our students facing entrance exams and wish them the best of luck, and to you, parents, strong nerves.

In the "What to Expect" section, you will find a list of the most important events planned for April. Additionally, the respective class teachers will inform you in detail about the activities prepared for their classes, as always. Among other things, this will include the program at the Ostrava City Library for our first graders (April 3rd), a visit to the Minikino Café by class 8E1 (April 8th), an educational program by the University of Ostrava for class 7E1 (April 11th), English theatre for classes 6E, 8E1, 8E2 (April 16th), a financial literacy program by ČS Bank for classes 2E1 and 2E2 (April 16th), a visit to the zoo for classes 2E1 and 2E2 (April 22nd), and an educational program "The Incredible Human Body" at the American Center for classes 5E1 and 5E2 (April 30th).

I also remind those of you who have registered your children for the Cambridge exams held at our school of the dates of their administration - May 10th and 11th.

On the occasion of Earth Day, another project day from our year-long project "Ostrčilka Has Talent" will take place. This time it will focus on natural sciences, which Earth Day naturally lends itself to. Classes can choose which day or days, during the week of April 22nd to 26th, they will dedicate to the project theme.

We are not only focusing on seeking out and supporting talent due to our year-long project. We aim to offer development in areas that interest the child and provide activities that can help them discover and further develop their talent and potential. The "Talent Circles," which teachers are preparing for 1st-grade students, are an ideal means to achieve this. The dates for the talent circles for each year group will be communicated to you by the class teachers. It will be one day for each year group. Likewise, the class teachers will inform you about their progress and offer areas from which each student can choose one to focus on intensively one morning. An article on this topic was published in Ostrčilka News (issue 26).

A lot is happening in our school thanks to the Erasmus+ mobility program. Our students recently returned enthusiastically from a two-week stay in Tui, Spain, and another trip to France is being prepared. Students from grades 7 to 9 had the opportunity to apply until the end of March, as communicated to you through Komens by our colleague Mgr. Petra Lexová, who arranges and organises all the trips, for which she deserves great thanks. As part of Erasmus+, a specialist from Slovakia, the director of a Montessori primary school, visited us at the beginning of March. Her presentation and demonstration lessons were very inspirational for our 1st-grade teachers. I believe the two-week trip of my two colleagues from the bilingual section, Mgr. Natálie Szlauer and Mgr. Radka Faltýnková, to a primary school in Sundsvall, Sweden, will also be inspirational. Two teachers from this Swedish school will visit us in the second week of April, shadowing our teachers, and it's possible that they will meet your children during classes. We are very pleased with all these opportunities offering new experiences to our teachers and supporting the use of students' acquired language skills.

Dear parents, thank you for your cooperation, and I wish you a beautiful spring.

On behalf of the entire bilingual team,

Táňa Bahnerová

Deputy Director for the Bilingual Section

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 3rd-4th
Visit of future first graders from our kindergarten to the school (3E1, 3E2)

April 9th and 10th Enrollment into the first grades

April 11th - 24th - Health Stay for class 4E, Jeseníky, Pepovka.

April 12th and 15th - Entrance exams for high schools (9th grades)

April 16th and 17th - Entrance exams for multi-year high schools.

April 16th - 3rd Pedagogical Council Meeting

April 22nd - 26th - Project Theme "Science"

April 22nd - 26th - Outdoor School for classes 3E1, 3E2, Pustá Polom

April 30th - Maypole Construction

April 30th - Witches' Night - Joint meeting with students and parents for kindergarten and after-school clubs, school playground, 15 p.m.

April 30th - 1st Stage Assembly

May 1
Public Holidays

May 8
Public Holiday

