

Review of all MYP3 Community projects

2019/2020 school year

Community Project is On!

Our Community Project Journey for MYP3 students has successfully concluded for this school year. The students went through a long process of investigating and addressing the needs of different communities through service action. Our MYP3 students have been excellent ambassadors in their community and we can all be relied upon to represent the school with pride and dignity.

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There is no planet B

We have to take care of the one we have!



Climate change protest

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planet B

For our community project, we decided to raise awareness about climate change, waste minimisation and management. We wanted to educate the MYP students about the importance of protecting the environment and what will happen if we don't. Our project name was "There is No Planet B". First, we interviewed some professionals that would help us understand the topic and educate us more about it. We also participated in a climate change protest on St. Mark's Square. We wanted to have neighbourhood clean-up actions with each class, hold presentations with each class and do a workshop about waste minimisation with MYP0 students. In February, we also organised the charity tombola, whose proceeds we split with Maša and Antea. We donated the money to only children's only children's ecological association in Croatia 'Eco-Ombličići'. Eco Ombličići is a children's eco association that work on educating people about the environment and do various activities to help the environment. Due to the pandemic, we managed to do one clean up action with MYP3, we did one by ourselves and sent our presentation out to the students.



Charity tombola



Clean-Up Actions

Zahvalnica

Draga Mia ,
Nedavno smo bili na banci i jako se iznenadili za Vašu donaciju od 750 kn. Dimuli ste nas Vašom pažnjom duboko u sree jer smo baš bili bez donacija ovih mjeseci zbog Corona virusa! Božji Blagoslov vam šaljemo svima J

Sa štovanjem i vidimo se u rujnu
Jadranka, Goran i Mihaela :) :)



Lucia and Mia (MYP 3)

People Are People No Matter How Small

Action for Children's Home Vrhovec

In our community project we decided to help the unfortunate children in the Vrhovec Home. The home is a group of children that are living together in one place without their parents because they were abandoned by their parents, or their parents have died, or are not able to take care of their children, due to different reasons such as alcohol, and drug abuse, financial problems, or they do not want to take care of them. In the Vrhovec Home there are 27 children. They are taken care of by the nuns. Firstly, we needed to find out what their biggest need was. We did this by interviewing the head nun in the Vrhovec Home. In that interview she addressed the Home's biggest need - lack of money, so we decided to help them by raising money. The goal of the project was to participate actively in the Vrhovec Home by going every second Sunday, from late October until the beginning of March, as well as to raise an awareness by creating a presentation that helped teach the MYP students that they should be thankful for what they have, and know that not everyone has a home and/or parents who can take care of them. We planned to raise money through different activities. The first time we visited the home we felt very sad and touched, the kids were very loving and polite. After we played and spent time with them, we realized how happy we were that we could help. . Through our visits we created Christmas cards which we gave out to the people that donated money to the home on the Christmas Fair held in our school. In the fair we collected 1.400 HRK. We also organized a **Valentines' Day Hunt**. It was like an Easter Egg Hunt, but for Valentines' Day. The PYP2 and PYP3 students participated. We hid different chocolates around their classroom and the student who found the most chocolates got a reward.



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Since our project is about helping children, we wanted to give back to some of the students in our school. Prior the hunt we wrote an email, which was sent by the PYP coordinator, to the PYP parents informing them that about our Community Project, and that we set up a box at the pick-up area, where they could donate. Next to the box, we also set up a printed version of the mail. We collected 90 HRK. We also organized Charity Carnival Tombola with the MYP students. We raised about 1400 HRK, but there was another group participating so every group got 700 HRK. For the tombola we made a presentation about our Community Project to raise awareness about the unfortunate children. We planned to give them the check with the money that we raised throughout this entire project, but due to the Coronavirus that was not possible. Instead we transferred the money to their bank account. In our opinion we think this was a very educative project where we learnt to share and help people in need. We learned that helping can be really fun and interesting, especially if you are interested in what you are doing. Helping is a great thing, but also helping someone sends a message that you care. During this project we felt sad for the children and for all the things that happened in their lives, but we were pleased to be able to make the children happy, as well as make them feel loved and give them all our attention. We were also delighted after we helped the nuns of the home financially because we knew how much they struggled with financing the children's needs. The project was received very well by others, everyone participated in donating and through all the activities we had, they really tried to help as much as they could. All in all, we think that we accomplished our goal and we are very happy with the final result.



Many Hours in the Gym is What it Takes to Get the Win

Rhythmic gymnastics workshops for PYP3 students



Every year the MYP3 students are obligated to complete the Community Project either alone or in a group no more than 3 students. The Community Project needs to have a clearly defined goal and community whose need we decide to address. We have chosen to organise lessons of rhythmic gymnastics in school for PYP3 students. That would be introducing a new type of extracurricular activity in the PYP program. Rhythmic gymnastics unlike the artistic gymnastic is not really famous because people mostly know about movements of artistic gymnastics. The greater purpose of our project is to promote a healthy lifestyle through physical activity, stretching and a new type of sport. We have had several interviews with our mentor teacher Linda before taking action. We made surveys for the PYP3 parents and PYP3 students in order to find out how many interested students there were. We visited the PYP3 class about 4-5 times to demonstrate some rhythmic gymnastics movements and present how rhythmic gymnastics looks like during competitions. As a final outcome we decided to compile the instructions for healthy stretching that makes our body stronger and more flexible. Upon switching to the online learning we were unable to hold rhythmic gymnastics lessons but we decided to record the instructional video. During our collaborative work we split our jobs – Emma recorded the stretching exercises, Angeline and I edited the video. It turned out to be very easy to follow and fun to watch. The instructional video is sent to the PYP3 students and hopefully they will like it and accept it eagerly.

Angeline, Emma and Yuyao (MYP3)

Activity	Time	Day	Location
Breakfast	7:30 - 8:00	Monday - Friday	Cafeteria
Math	8:00 - 9:00	Monday - Friday	Classroom
Science	9:00 - 10:00	Monday - Friday	Classroom
Language Arts	10:00 - 11:00	Monday - Friday	Classroom
Physical Education	11:00 - 12:00	Monday - Friday	Gymnasium
Art	12:00 - 1:00	Monday - Friday	Art Room
Music	1:00 - 2:00	Monday - Friday	Music Room
Recess	2:00 - 3:00	Monday - Friday	Courtyard
History	3:00 - 4:00	Monday - Friday	Classroom
Foreign Language	4:00 - 5:00	Monday - Friday	Classroom
Homework	5:00 - 6:00	Monday - Friday	Home



Not Disabled but Differently Abled

Action for children with Down syndrome



We decided to do the community project that would benefit the community and also make people happy. So we decided to work with a group of kids that have Down syndrome. Our plan was to attend multiple training sessions organised by their trainers and observe a bit in order to get to know them better. Then we planned to organise our own training session, and be their trainers for one session. But it turned out even better - their trainers didn't show up three times in a row, so we held our sessions three times. Thus we achieved our first goal right away.

Our second goal was to make an instructional video that would help and benefit people that have any relations with people that have Down syndrome. Our video would be a guide through some exercises that would be good for them. At the end this goal was also achieved and we made the video with different exercises. It wasn't easy to achieve our goals due to the global pandemic and global health crisis but we managed to do everything on time and at the end it all turned out even better than we would have ever expected. We all had fun, the three of us, and also the kids, and we really enjoyed this journey where we learned many new things while helping the community whose need we chose to address.

Antonio, Ivan and Viktor (MYP3)



Give Somene a Meal, Their Hunger is Real

Volunteering at the Soup Kitchen



As part of our community project, we decided to volunteer in the Soup Kitchen as we thought it would be nice to help the homeless and make their lives slightly better. We volunteered there multiple times and we raised 1750 kuna for them, so in the end we made an impact and made the lives of less fortunate who go to the soup kitchen slightly better with the resources that we provided to them. One of our main causes here at Soup Kitchen Croatia is feeding the less fortunate, an issue that touches many lives, particularly those in the greater Zagreb area. We spend a significant portion of our resources on tackling this problem. As I have heard and seen many people have been very happy with them that even one amazing person said "Bio sam gladan, I dali ste mi jesti, bio sam beskućnik, I primili ste me, bio sam bolestan, I došli ste me posjetiti." Which roughly translates to "I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was homeless, and you gave me a place to live, and I was sick, and you came to visit me." This is only one part of his amazing short paragraph that shows how great this place is and how amazing the people who work there are. If you read the biography, I think that you would also assume that this is a happy place, a place where the less fortunate meet, gain food, get visited and receive a place to call home. Many people there have been broken, shed to tears but with this, this amazing place, they have something that puts a smile back in their face. More information about our Community Project can be found at our website: <https://clementeozza75.wixsite.com/website-soup-kitchen>



Anzhelika, Arlind and Clemente
(MYP3)

Live It and Love It

Sport workshops for PYP students

As our community project we have chosen to organise a series of sport trainings and matches for PYP students. The community project is one of the hardest and most rewarding projects that we have ever done. Through this whole period we developed a lot of important skills that we will use in close future. It was a great experience to participate in such a big thing. What makes this demanding project easier is collaborating with my group members and a precious help from our mentor teacher. Throughout the project we ran into some difficulties especially when the quarantine was announced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It was hard at first but later we continued to dominate the work through internet. Our mentor actually came up with a great idea to make a video simulating the sports workshops. So far as we know it worked out great. Overall, I believe our project was a success, and I don't think I would change anything if I could, I am happy with what we accomplished, especially given the hard circumstances.



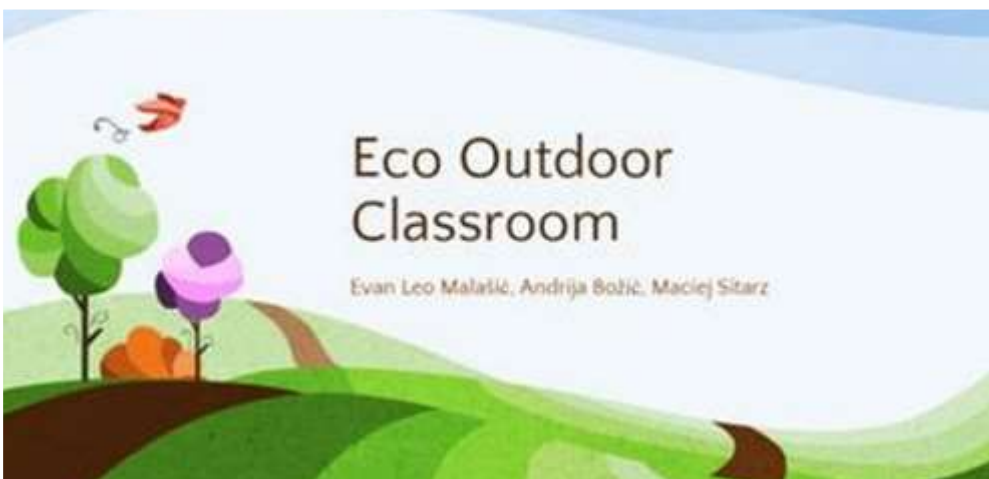
*Domenik, Kamil and Karlo
(MYP3)*

Building an outdoor classroom

Action for our school



For our community project we wanted to contribute to our school as it has contributed to us. But we wanted to contribute it in a way that both future generations and teachers would get the most from it. Using our idea from 6th grade we decided to build an outdoor classroom that students and teachers could use for everyday classes. This could be both an educational and relaxing area to make students and classes more productive. We started off great with a ton of enthusiasm in our heads to do what we wanted to. We started with the dismantling of the old garden features, but we were halted by the rapid outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. We knew we were not going to have enough time to build the outdoor classroom even if we were sent back to school soon. So, we came up with a new idea which we could pull off from our homes, an outdoor classroom making guide in a brochure. This brochure helps anyone assemble all the features of an outdoor classroom we wanted to have. It shows the need for an outdoor classroom, the need for the features, and how to assemble them in steps. It is a project we are highly proud of and we hope it will inspire others to achieve what we first set to do. To make a relaxing environment everyone will enjoy it. An outdoor eco classroom.



*Andrija, Evan and Maciej
(MYP3)*

How technology can improve the lives of elderly people

Action for the Elderly Home



As our Community Project we have chosen to focus on one of the elderly homes in Zagreb - "Home for the elderly and disabled Trešnjevka" through setting up a computer lab and organising computer training for members. We were planning to teach the senior citizens how to surf the Internet, how to send an email and how to use some social networking sites to keep in touch with their loved ones. Many companies and individuals purchase new computers so they can upgrade to the latest software applications and technology, leaving old computers that are no longer needed even though they are fully functional. Often, old computers are simply set aside or thrown away, when they have been replaced with newer models. Therefore we sent some emails to a couple of addresses and asked some donations of old computers that were no longer needed and could be put to good use. With the help of our Physics teacher Mr. Marko Šolić we assembled some old computers in our school. But the COVID-19 unfortunately changed our plan - we were not able to organise some computer trainings in the elderly home. Instead we created some IT tutorials using the OBS software (Open Broadcaster Software) with the following topics:



- How to create a gmail account and how to send an email
- How to download and install Google Chrome
- How to browse the Internet
- How to create a Skype account and how to use it

We are so sorry we couldn't interact more with the senior citizens in the elderly home. Hopefully they will find our IT tutorials easy to use and helpful in their virtual communication with their loved ones.



Jaša, Marko and Nikola (MYP3)