Osnovna škola Matije Gupca

International School

Welcome to the MG Scrapbook 2017/2018

Dear Students,

As our academic year draws to a close we have many wonderful learning experiences and educational opportunities to acknowledge and celebrate. It has been an action-packed year full of accomplishments, events, fun times, hard work and happy memories that have brought us closer together. We have learned much and shared experiences that will long remain with us in the years to come. When you look back at this school year we hope that we have given you at least one memory that will make you smile.

With the end of the year also comes family moves. We would like to take this opportunity to wish those students and families leaving us this year all the best in their new schools and homes.

Best wishes to our graduating MYP3 students who are onto a new stage in their academic career. We wish them all the success in their further education and sincerely hope they will all take advantage of the opportunities ahead of them!

Wishing all of you a great summer holiday,
Matija Gubec Team

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Viktor, Anzhelika, Marko, Mia
& MYP1 homeroom teacher Ms. Ivana

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Bartul, Leona, David D., Vito, Ante, Francesco, Era, Roko, Konstantin, Christina, Marko, Nika, Zoe, Tonka, Alexander, Lara, Luka S., Luka T., Lucijana, David Z., & MYP2 homeroom teacher Ms. Barbara

MYP3 Students

Timur, Roko, Yuxuan, Andi, Ea, Lucija, Ljubo, Olaf, Matej, Aris, Jadran, Noella, Noora, Fiona, Mara, Hui Di, Ana
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Linda Zelić Design Teacher

Newsletter

Field Trip to Postojna

September 19th, 2017

On September 19th we travelled to Slovenia as we were invited for a joined field trip with Danila Kumar International School students. First we visited the Postojna Cave. During our walk through the Postojna Cave, we were really impressed with what we saw. Some parts looked like they came right out of a fairytale - the *White Chamber*, the *Brilliant Stalagmite*, the *Spaghetti Hall*... But the underground train ride through the cave channels was the funniest part! After lunch we visited the Predjama Castle, an amazing Renaissance fortress that was built in the entrance of the cave on a high cliff. Our guide told us great stories of people who lived in the castle. We explored all five floors of the museum inside the castle that showed us an armoury, dungeon, halls, living quarters and secret passages. Despite the rainy weather, this was a great tour and we enjoyed seeing such interesting places.

Noora (MYP3)

Field Trip to Postojna

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European Day Of Languages

Language Fair

September 26th, 2017

On September 26th and 27th we marked the *European Day of Languages.* It is a very important day in our school because we promote language learning, but also cherish linguistic and cultural diversity in our international programme.

Teacher Jelena, teacher Tea and teacher Petra organised the *Language Fair*. The PYP and MYP students eagerly participated in the French, German and Italian quizzes, solving puzzles and riddles and other educational games to check and expand their knowledge.

Our MYP3 students – Noora, Fiona and Yuxuan held free *Mother Language Courses* in the school library and taught third and fourth graders of the national programme the basics of their mother language –Indonesian, Estonian and Chinese. Under the supervision of teacher Ina the students prepared the language learning materials and stepped into the teacher's shoes. They all were very helpful and patient while generously sharing their knowledge. The students were great and motivated teachers and their enthusiasm triggered the students' interest for language learning.

European Day Of Languages

Mother Language Courses

ZAGREB CITY TOUR

September 28th, 2017

On September 28th, as an integral part of our annual project 'Street Life', we went on the Zagreb City Tour as a fun walking tour through the streets of Zagreb learning about people behind Zagreb street names and interesting cultural-historical sights.

First we visited the Botanical Garden and we were amazed by the fact that more than 5000 plant species live in the heart of Zagreb. Then we visited the street art locations that impressed us with their colour burst and realised that city walls could be great canvases for displaying artistic work. After exploring and admiring urban art lifestyle we visited another cult place – interactive exhibition at the **Grič Tunnel**. The most attractive sections of the tunnel were the rain tunnel where we saw holograms of Manda, Marija Jurić Zagorka, Ban Josip Jelačić and other famous persons in drops of water; Nikola Tesla tunnel where we 'built' human electrical circuit and played music on the Tesla's musical coin and Balthazar's Adventure Laboratory. Afterwards we took a sightseeing tour of the Upper and Down Town where the MYP2 - tourist guides taught us about people behind Zagreb street names - Petar Preradović, Ivan Gundulić, Antun Mihanović, Josip Runjanin, Josip Jelačić, Stjepan Radić, Ljudevit Gaj... Traditionally we ended our Zagreb City Tour with an ice cream treat.

It was an entertaining tour – we explored the hidden side of our town, visited an exceptional exhibition and learnt a lot about history of our town. It was a lovely sunny day that made this tour even more enjoyable.

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Journey Through Istria

Three-day Field Trip

October 2nd - 4th, 2017

Within our annual project "Street Life" we went on a three-day field trip to Istria from October 2nd to 4th.

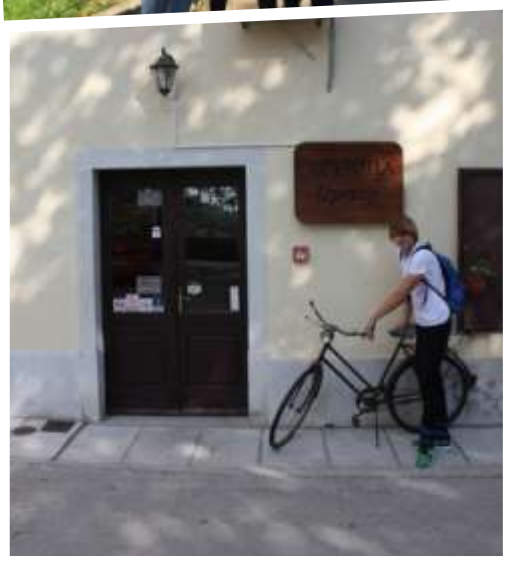
We visited Motovun, Oprtalj, Grožnjan, Bale, Rovinj, Kažun Park in Vodnjan, Pula and ended our tour in the Glavani Adrenaline Park. We were accommodated at the Amarin Hotel in Rovinj.

On the first day we visited Motovun - an old and charming Istrian hilltop town. We learnt a lot of interesting and historical information from our guide. Motovun is known as the town of freedom-loving giant Veli Joze, but also famous for its film festival and truffles. But no history is more fun than the free time we got. We spread all around the town, searching for souvenirs, ice cream and the best viewpoint of the Mirna River.

Motovun

Town of the Freedom-Loving Giant

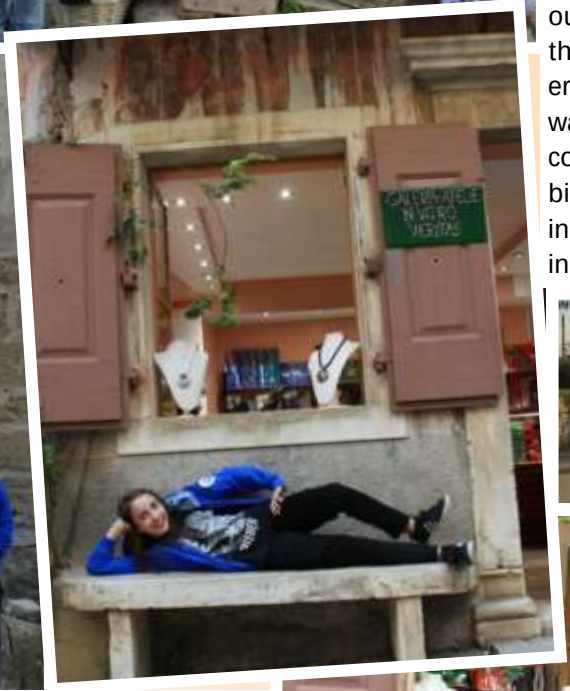
Oprtalj
Town of Frescoes and Truffles



Our second stop was Oprtalj, another small Istrian hilltop town. We took a short sightseeing tour and found two spots, one with a magnificent view of the Učka Mountain and the other one with a view of the sea. We could hear pen scrubbing while we were taking notes for our Host Country Studies projects. After a tour we settled in a restaurant where we had lunch. We tried out the local truffle cuisine along with other Istrian delicatessen – manestra, fuzi and pljukanci.

Grožnjan
Town of Artists

After Oprtalj we made our way to **Grožnjan** – the town of artists, painters and musicians. We walked through its old cobblestone streets for a bit and enjoyed a charming view of the surrounding land.



Beach Club Disco Party

Morning Jogging Team

Second day started with the morning jogging. A group of enthusiasts guided by our P.H.E. teacher Marko went jogging around the hotel.

Cycling Tour de Rovinj

After breakfast we split into two groups, while one group went on a beautiful cycling tour along the Rovinj's sea-side, the other one went bowling. Then the groups switched.

Cycling Tour de Rovinj

Half the Wheels, Twice the Fun!

Cycling break at the sea

Bowling Alley Fun

Bale

2nd day

After sport-packed morning we went to the town of Bale. We visited the Kaštel Bembo and Holly Spirit Church where we admired the frescoes painted on its walls and ceiling.

Rovinj

2nd day

After lunch in Bale we took a sightseeing tour of the Rovinj Old Town. We visited the Balbi Arch, Grisia Street and St. Euphemia Church. At the Batana House Eco Museum we learnt about another Rovinj's symbol – batana, the traditional wooden fishing boat. We found out that its construction technique was safeguarded as intangible cultural heritage of Croatia. It started to rain so we couldn't go on the batana ride as we planned but we participated in the bottle knitting workshop.

Batana House

The Heart and Soul of Rovinj

2nd day

Knitting workshop

Pool time

2nd day evening

Olive picking

3rd day

On the third day we visited the olive grove near Bale. We learnt how to pick olives using an electrical comb and enjoyed our picnic there.

Olive picking

Olive grove picninc

Kažun Park Vodnjan

Open Air Museum

3rd day

After lunch we visited the **Kažun Park in** Vodnjan where we saw four phases of the kazun construction.

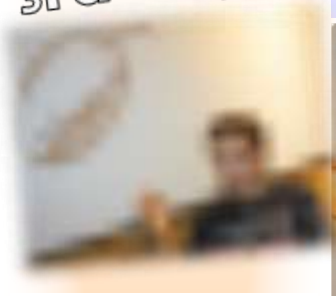
Pula Amphitheatre

Wonder of the Ancient World

Museum of Istrian Olive Growing

3rd day

Step into the world of olive oil



Then we visited Pula Amphitheatre. At the Museum of Istrian Olive Growing in Pula we learnt the history of olive growing and olive oil production from ancient times to the present days, how olive oil influenced our health, how to properly taste olive oil and how to recognize a top quality olive oil and differentiate it from industrially produced oils.

Glavani Adrenaline Park

La Vida Loca

3rd day

Our field trip ended in the Glavani Adrenaline Park. That was a real adventure and we had the perfect adrenaline challenges that took our breath away – a swing, high ropes and a zip line. We came back to Zagreb exhausted but impressed. This journey really covers the best of the Istrian region and uncovers its hidden beauty to many of us! It was really educational, adventuring, enjoyable and fun!

Bartul (MYP2)

Glavani Adrenaline Park

Veni, Vidi, Vici

3rd day

Capturing the moment

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... back to school

School Co-Op Contest

State Review in Zadar

October 4th - 6th, 2017

Our School Cooperative "That's it!", guided by the School Co-Op Leader Ms. Ivana Devernay Cimić, proudly participated at the 29th State Review of School Cooperative Society of the Republic of Croatia that was held from October 4th - 6th, 2017 in Zadar.

Book Month 2017

Book Month 2017

Dear Students, Parents and Teachers,

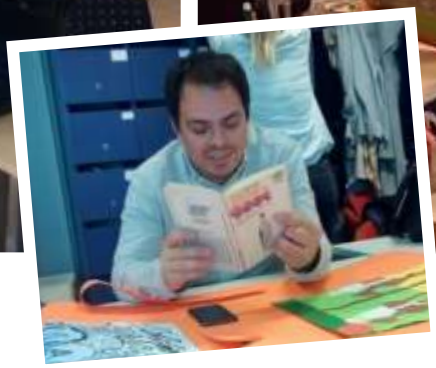
It is our pleasure to announce the upcoming annual event, the Book Month (October 15 - November 15). This manifestation is sponsored by the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Croatia and organised by Zagreb City Libraries. Our school library will once again join through numerous activities and, hopefully, emphasise the importance of reading, studying and using the information properly.

This year's theme is ENCYCLOPAEDICA. Therefore numerous activities are scheduled to take place in our library on the topics of encyclopaedia, source of information and basis of knowledge, in which all of our students will participate, and hopefully - you too. For the whole month, numerous workshops will be held with the common activity "Keepers of Knowledge". Students of all grades will participate with topics including: definition and importance of encyclopaedia, lexicon, dictionaries, past and present sources of knowledge and how to use them, copyrights, information search and storage.

- October 17th - Reference Sources (workshop for MYP0 students)
- October 18th - Cravat Day (workshop for PYP3 students)
- October 23th - Reading Day (all classes)
- October 24th and October 31st - Drop and Read (15 minutes for a book)
- October 27th - Reading competition (for PYP4 students)
- November 8th - Visiting Interliber with MYP2 and MYP3 students
- November 10th - Night at the Library (MYP0 and MYP1 selected students) with the following activities: meeting a writer, creative writing workshop, movie night
- November 11th - Day of Croatian Libraries

Also, since the Knezija mapping project is currently under way, we decided to contribute by creating the Picture English-Croatian Dictionary (PYP2 students) and the Knezija Encyclopaedia (PYP0/MYP1). You are invited to join us in our efforts to mark the Book Month and, of course - enjoying reading!

Ina Tomić



Reference resources

Library activity

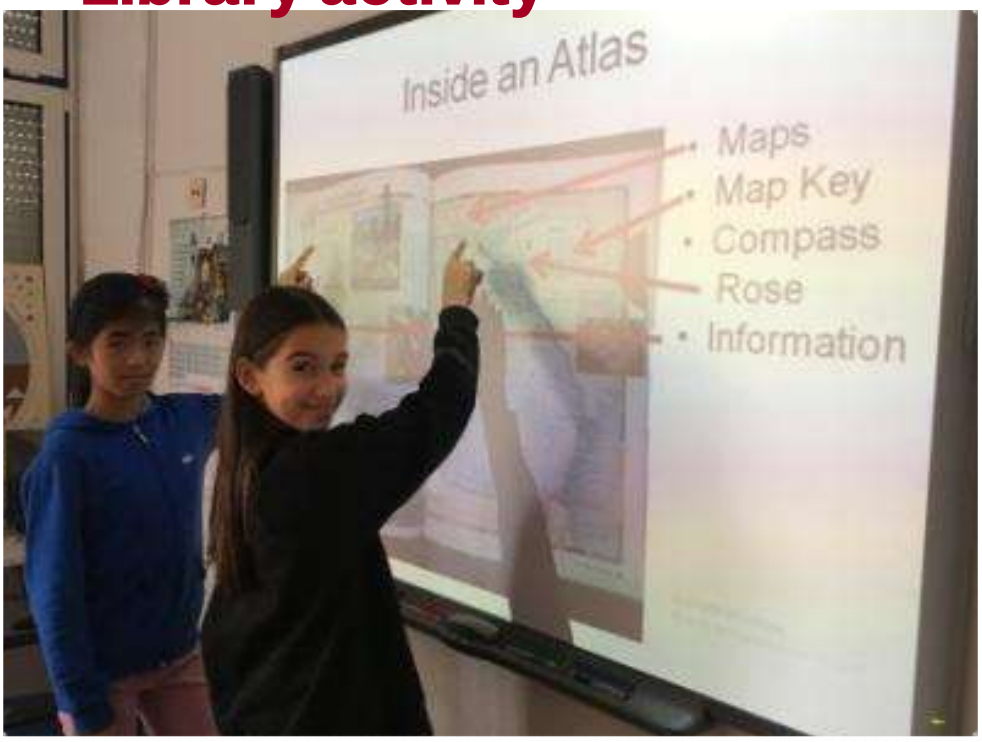
During the Book Month teacher Ina, our librarian and Croatian teacher organized a lesson where she showed us types of reference resources. We learned about::

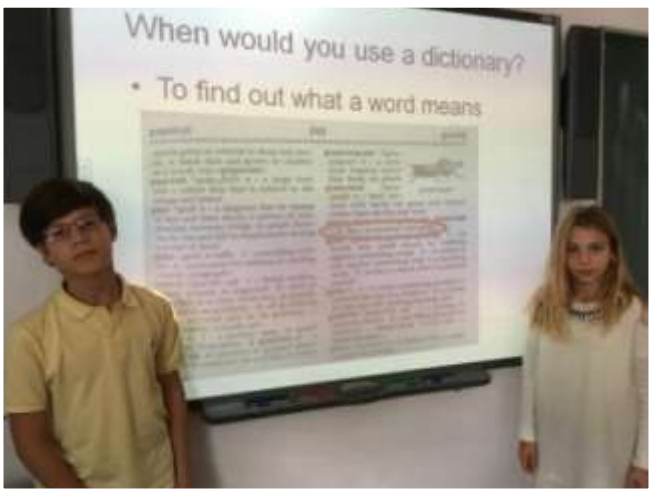
- Atlas - used to search for places and countries
- Encyclopedias – explain a broad range of subjects in an alphabetical order
- Dictionaries – used to find the definition and meaning of words in a given language
- Thesauruses – dictionaries of synonyms and antonyms.

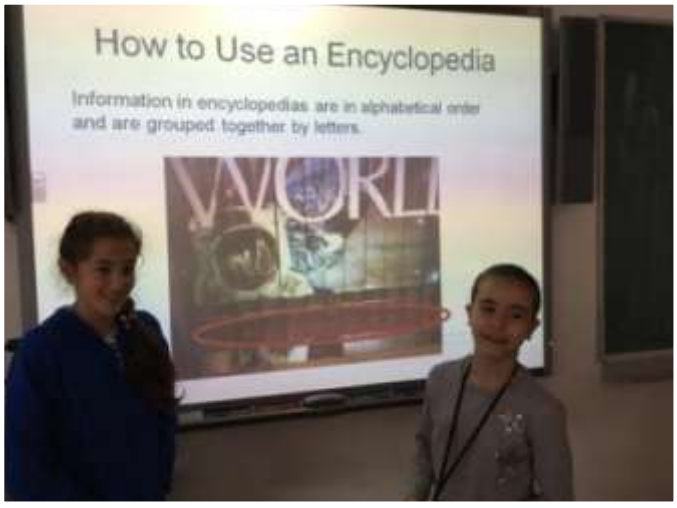
Teacher Ina also showed us some kid friendly search engines, such as: KidsClick.com, Awesome Library, Yahoo Kids, Ask Kids and tons more!

This lesson has been a valuable learning experience for us, and we will definitely use what we have learned from this useful lesson.

Mia (MYP0)





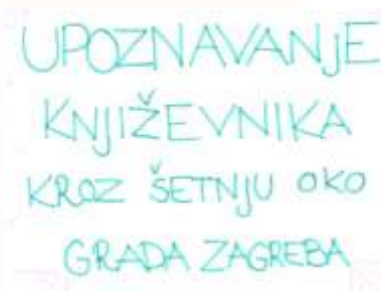


Annual Project:

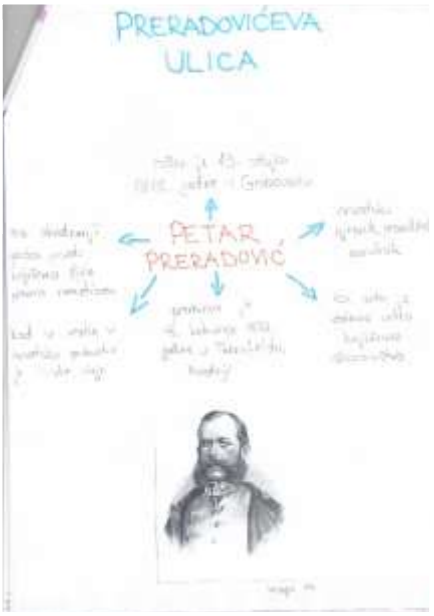
Street Life

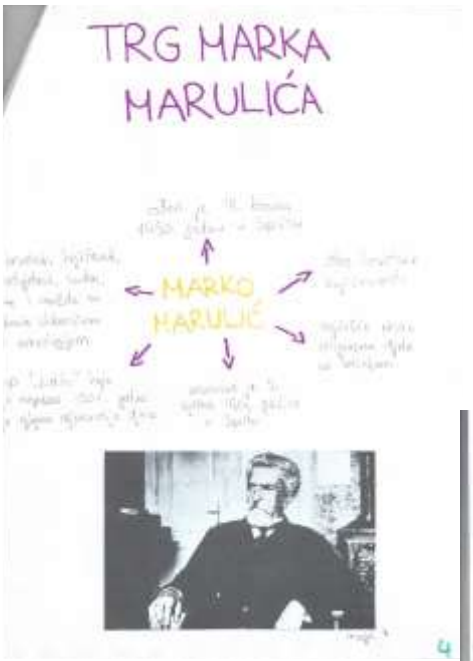
Writers Behind Street Names

Croatian classes



As an integral part of the *Street Life* annual project and the Zagreb City Tour post-field assignment the students researched about the writers behind street names of Zagreb and made the *Writers Behind Zagreb City Street Names* brochure. They learnt about Petar Preradović, Ivan Gundulić, Ljudevit Gaj, Marko Marulić, Ivan Mažuranić, Antun Mihanović and many others.





International Community Day

October 19th, 2017

We are lucky to have such a diverse international community within our school!

On October 19th our school celebrated the International Community Day. Its goal is to promote intercultural awareness, one of the IB fundamental concepts. We share information about our own culture and learn about traditions and cultures of other countries. During this event we had the opportunity to 'taste' school diversity through costumes, music, languages and delicious food.

Our International Community Day was enriched with two corners, one of them being the Community Corner organised by the MYP3 students in order to raise funds for our community projects, and the second one with the home-made products by our School Cooperative 'That's it!'.

We would like to thank you for supporting our Community projects. Thanks to your generous donations MYP3 students collected 5.000 HRK. All the funds raised will be used for funding the communities whose need we have chosen to address.

We had a lot of fun because we tried new food, met new people, saw many wonderful national costumes and reunited with former Matija Gubec students. Although next year we will not be a part of Matija Gubec we will make sure not to miss this annual community day.

Ea & Mara (MYP3)

Different is beautiful

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Canada

Croatia

China

Hungary

Different is beautiful

Indonesia

A great number of countries presented this year

This year we had representatives of 16 countries: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, China, Croatia, Hungary, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Korea, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovenia, Sweden, Turkey and Ukraine.

Kazakhstan

Korea

Poland

Romania

Different is beautiful

Russia

Serbia

Slovenia

Sweden

Turkey

Ukraine

The representatives of each country presented their national specialties, souvenirs and other fascinating national items.

Different is beautiful

Giornata Mondiale della Pasta

World Pasta Day

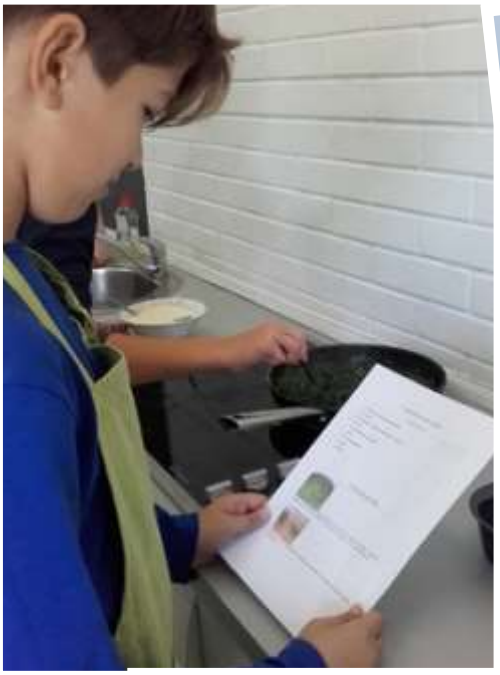
Italian

On the 25th of October MYP1 and MYP2 students celebrated the day dedicated to pasta which is considered the queen of the Mediterranean diet.

The MYP 1 students prepared a famous Italian dish called *cannelloni*, round pasta filled with spinach and *ricotta* cheese. Not only did they cut, stir, roll, mix and bake all the ingredients, but they also set the table, enjoyed the dish that even an Italian *nonna* would be proud of and did the dishes afterwards. By cooking they expanded their Italian vocabulary regarding the ingredients and kitchen utensils. The MYP2 students got the chance to taste the *buonissimi cannelloni* prepared by the MYP 1 students and brainstormed the most famous Italian dishes and found photos of them online. The next step was dividing the dishes into four different categories: *l'antipasto* (starter), *il primo piatto* (first course), *il secondo piatto* (second course) and *il dolce* (pudding). After that they created the yummiest poster in the school.

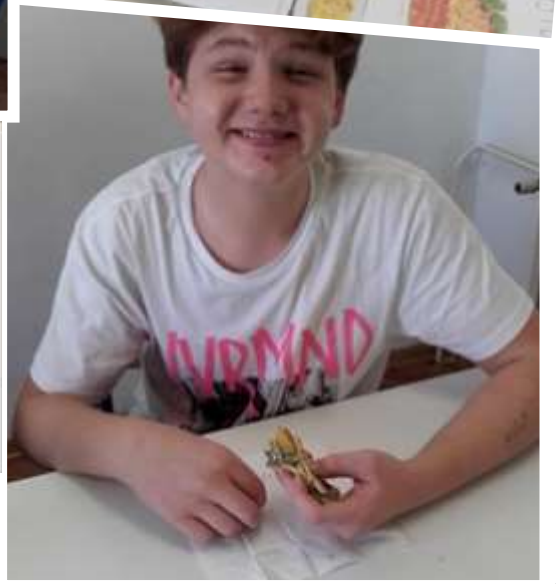
Feeling hungry? Something Italian is always a good idea!

Petra Vedriš



Giornata Mondiale della Pasta

World Pasta Day



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Croatian Book Month

Visit to the Knežija Library

November 9th, 2017

On November 9th MYP0 students visited the Knežija Library. The librarian, Ms Dražena greeted us very warmly and showed us around the library, especially children section and reading room. She explained us how we can use public library and what is needed to become a member of the public library. We would like to thank Ms. Dražena for useful and great time in the Knežija Library.

Teacher Ina

INTERLIBER 2017

November 10th, 2017

On the occasion of the Book Month, the MYP3 students and the school librarian Ms. Ina Tomić visited the Interliber, Book Fair on the 10th of October 2017. There we got the chance to look at the newly published books and novels as well as buy books at very good prices. We spent our time by browsing through books in different languages with different topics, eventually buying some of them and in general having a great time. In addition, in Interliber, the librarian Ms. Tomić found interesting new books for the students of Matija Gubec International School to add to our forever-growing library. We are thrilled to have had the opportunity of visiting this grand event and we cannot wait for the next one!

Ana (MYP3)

Night At The Library

Creative Gathering and Sleepover

November 17h - 18th, 2017

Getting together with Sanja Pilić

Speed Reading Contest

It was a regular Friday night during the middle of November. The happiest night for many students all over the world. But for some of the students in Matija Gubec International School, it would be a quite unusual night. We got a chance to spend a whole night in the school's library. It was a unique experience and a unique night for many of us. It surely changed our opinion about the idea of a sleepover. It was a fun way of learning and bonding with other students and making some new friends, of course. To make the atmosphere even better, a famous Croatian children's story writer Ms. **Sanja Pilić** came to our school library to spend some quality time with us. We got the opportunity to ask her some questions and she told us that she had an idea for a new book. She also told us a few of her life stories and not long after that, she unfortunately had to leave. After she left, we had a short reading competition in quickest and most interpretative reading. After that we went to choose our sleeping spots. In the library, the movie "E.T." was played and who wanted could watch it. The night was very quiet. One of our friends totally disappeared, we couldn't find her until tomorrow morning. Who knows where she was? Did E.T. maybe take her for a pyjama party? Or did she just disappear? Who would believe that this happened in just one night in the school's library!

Andrija (MYP1)

Night At The Library

Polar Dream

First Croatian expedition to the South Pole

"His name is Davor Rostuhar and he has one dream – a polar dream. He wishes to undertake the last great classic expedition that Croatians have yet to achieve: the first Croatian expedition to the South Pole!" He wishes to do so all by himself, without having food or equipment delivered to him, and without using external energy.

During a six-week period, a brief text on the topic of polar regions will be published on the following web site: https://kek.hr/category/polarni-san-novo/virtualna-ucionica/.

Students will read and discuss the text with teachers and answer quiz questions. The quiz itself was designed to increase students' awareness on the effects of climate change and encourage them to set an example for how to change the world for the better. MYP1, MYP2 and MYP3 students are participating in the quiz.

We send our greetings to Davor and wish him a safe trip!

Teacher Ina

Quiz at the school library

Žar Ptica Theatre Visit

November 24th, 2017

On November 24th MYP1, MYP2 and MYP3 Croatian Language and Literature students went to the City Theatre 'Žar ptica' to watch the play 'Kako je tata osvojio mamu'.

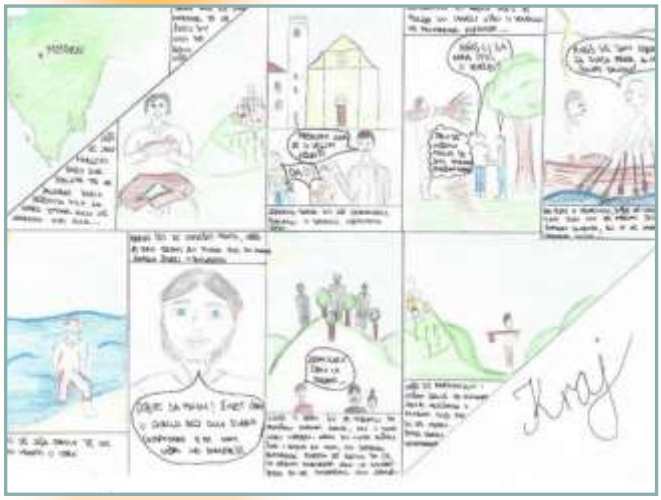
Post-field trip assignment

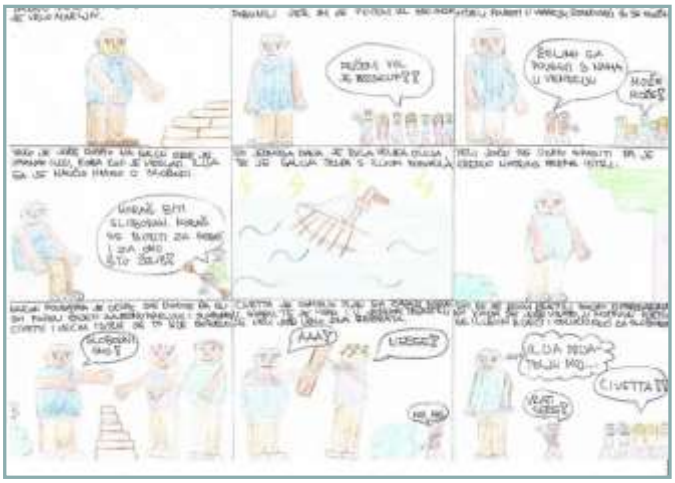
MYP3 Croatian classes - Veli Jože Comic

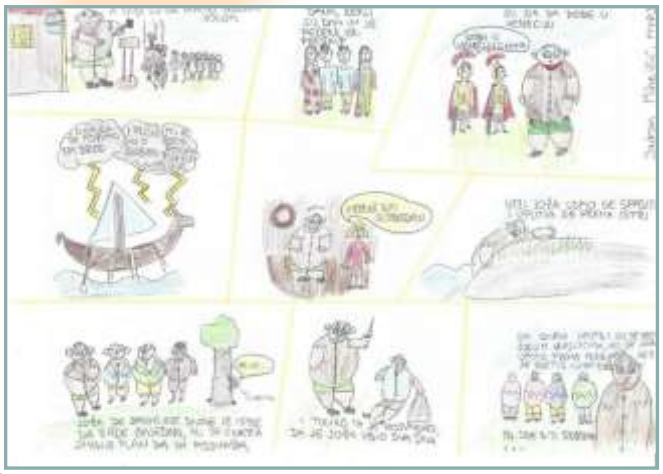
As an Istria post-field trip assignment the MYP3 students created a comic on Veli Jože.

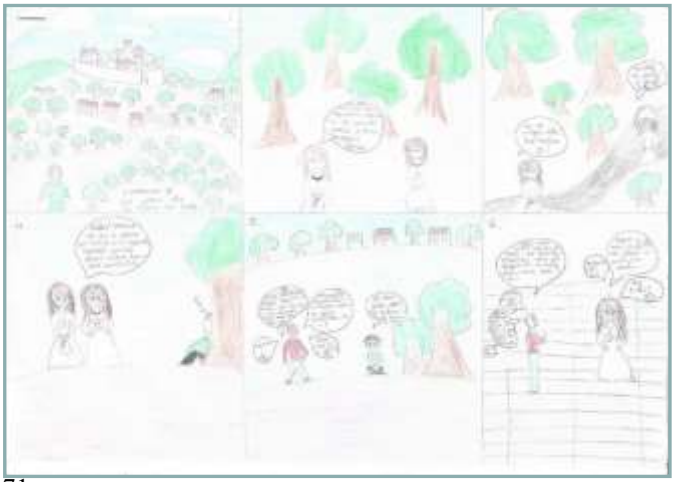
The tale Veli Jože features a helpful and kind hearted giant named Jože, living in the area around the town of Motovun in Istria. It is a tale written by the Croatian poet and writer Vladimir Nazor. The students enjoyed this task and created the comics with main characters of Veli Jože, Ilija, Civetta and Libert.

Teacher Ina









School COOPERATIVE

Dobro jutro, Hrvatska

November 27th, 2017

On November 27th our School Cooperative's work and collections of hand-made products were presented on the Croatian National Television in 'Dobro jutro, Hrvatska' by our MYP1 students Mia, Lucia and Yao and the School Co-Op leader Ms. Ivana Devernay Cimić.

Service as Action

Visit to the Centre for Autism

November 30th, 2017

On the morning of the 30th of November the students of MYP1 and MYP2 visited the Centre for autism in Zagreb as a part of their Service as Action programme. The children and stuff welcomed us warmly and showed us around the centre. The organization of the educational classrooms in this facility is very well organized, in my opinion it is an excellent learning system and also very well coordinated. The teachers who work there really try hard to help the children with special educational needs. At the centre we participated in different workshops – *Communication Skills Workshop* where we learnt how to get to know each other better and *Winter Art Workshops* where we made Christmas decorations using the felting technique and the cardboard Christmas trees. One of our main goals of this workshop is to make the items and sell them on the Christmas bazaar to earn money for buying presents for the children in the Centre for autism. Our students organised the *Language workshops*. Lucijana and Nika taught the children English. Francesco and Yao taught them Chinese language and shared some interesting facts about China. My friend, David Z. said: "We have done this not for the sake of us and our needs, but for people who actually need it." The atmosphere was very cheerful and we were most impressed by the warmth and love they welcomed us with. We have also experienced a special bond between our students and special needs students, one that will certainly and hopefully last for a long time. We are looking forward to their return visit to our school in spring.

Roko (MYP2)

Visit to the Centre for Autism

December
Newsletter

Friends with Down syndrome

Marking the International Day of Volunteers - December 5th, 2017

As a part of our Service as Action programme we have chosen to volunteer with the children with the Down syndrome. At the beginning we had no idea how much we would like them and how much we would learn from each other. When we got to know each other better we had so much fun. We shared so many special moments – we danced a lot and they taught us some dancing steps. We made Christmas decorations, visited the Zagreb Advent attractions and played basketball in the Sport Centre Cedevita. On December 5th on the occasion of the International Volunteer Day we decided to share with our classmates our volunteering experience but we wanted to do that together with our friends. Therefore we invited them to see our school and meet our classmates. They enthusiastically accepted our idea and prepared a great dancing performance for all of us. All MYP students and teachers were amazed how good and talented dancers they were. We have learnt a lot about people with the Down syndrome – they have feelings, thoughts, interests, hopes and they know what they want from life. Like us they enjoy their lives when they are well supported. We need to treat them at the same way as all – with respect, fairness and friendship. They show us every day how beautiful, openhearted, kind and pure people they are.

Antonio and Viktor (MYP1)

Getting together with our friends from the Children's home

Cooperation with the Children's home "Alojzije Stepinac" in Brezovica

On the morning of the 6th of December the students of MYP 0, 1, 2 and 3 visited the Children's Home "Alojzije Stepinac" in Brezovica as a part of the Service as Action activities. Before the visit the students had been collecting presents and gifts for the children who live there. The students brought everything from shoes to toys. After we came to the Children's Home we were kindly welcomed. Then we were divided into two groups, the first group was engaged in a football match inside the gym of the centre, while the other group participated in the Art workshops. We made Christmas decorations side by side with children there and talked trying to get to know each other better. So far out of all of the years I think that the amount of presents we brought this year was far greater than in the last four years. We hope that we can improve the children's lives every time we bring something to cheer them up and make them feel happy. All in all the visit was excellent and we hope we helped out a lot. It is always important to be helpful, sympathetic, kind, compassionate and considerate to each another, especially to children and people with special needs. Because small things like presents can have a huge impact on the people around you, which is why we also encourage you to be that way as well.

We would like to thank all the students, their parents and teachers who participated in this community activity.

Roko (MYP2)

Evening of Mathematics

December 07th, 2017

As we all know, maths is not only useful, but also fun. And we have proved it once again last Thursday on our annual Maths Evening event! This educational event is organized by the Croatian Mathematical Society in cooperation with Maths teachers across schools all over Croatia. Apart from getting a chance to solve mind-boggling and fun mathematical tasks, the goal of Maths Evening is to spend pleasant informal time socializing with students and their parents. The Maths Evening challenged students and parents with all sorts of math board games, forensics problems, tangrams, dominoes, three-dimensional puzzles, *Spirograph* drawing, and many other math riddles. We would like to thank all the teachers who helped organise the event, and especially students and their parents who participated and made this evening interesting.

Teacher Marta

Opera Night

La Bohème at the Croatian National Theatre

On December 7th, as a part of the Music classes, MYP 3 students accompanied by the Music teacher Ms. Antonia Mimica visited the Croatian National Theatre in order to watch the opera "La Bohème" by Giacomo Puccini. During the Music classes we learnt about opera and terminology of an opera itself. This Italian opera consists of four Acts in which the romantic tragedy of Mimi and Rodolfo unfolds. The opera lasted for around 3 hours during which the students actively embraced the piece of art before their eyes. The opera featured magnificent music, performances, scenography, costumography and special effects. We experiences the glory of an opera and a great interpretation of it. It was very dynamic and it perfectly depicted the genius of Puccini's music. The opera progressed from a charming romance to something comparable to a Greek tragedy, in every sense of the word.

Personally I quite enjoyed the whole piece, although I found the first Act to be more stagnant than the rest of the acts, whereas the final Act was heart-breaking - dynamic elevation of the heart and ears. The actors truly did a great job and disregarding the unnoticeable mistakes it was perfect! Definitely recommendable for all ages.

Jadran (MYP3)

Opera Night

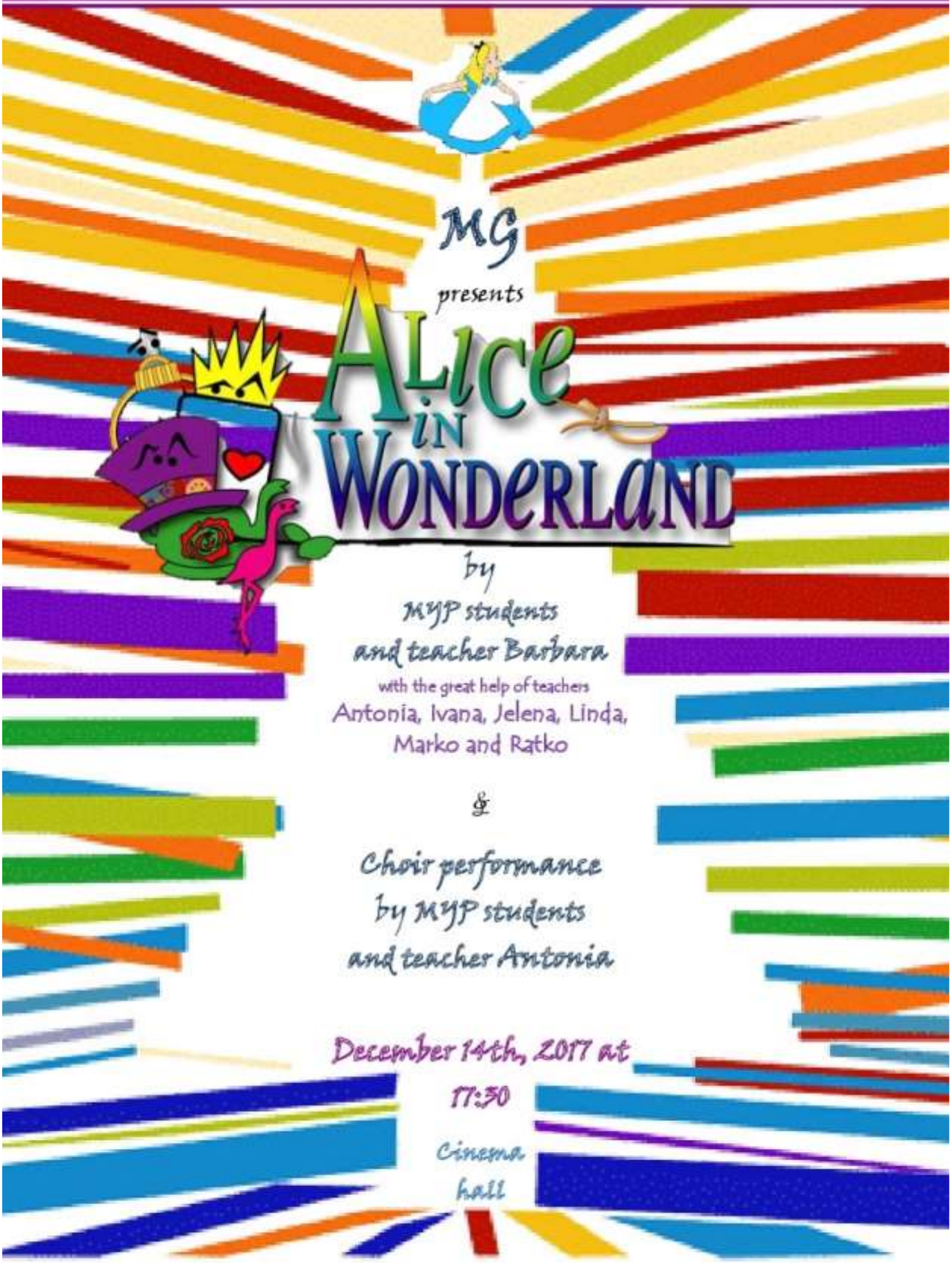
Hour of Code

December 08th, 2017

On December 08th MYP3 students participated in the Hour of Code activities. Hour of Code is a global event held annually in 180 countries around the world during the *Computer Science Education Week* from December 4th - 10th. MYP3 students learnt how to create their own Google logo and how to build their own Star Wars Galaxy with Code. We would like to thank to Ms. Elena, Ms. Josipa and Mr. Vedran for this game-like tutorial class that boosted our spark for programming and revealed us how coding could be very engaging and fun.

MYP3 Students & Teacher Linda

Christmas Show



Christmas Show Program

Christmas Show Program

December 14th, 2017 at 17:30, Cinema Hall

Our Christmas Show Program features performances by all the students and includes acting, singing and dancing.

Program Hosts:
Petra & Tamar

Preshow – Individual Ensemble:
Christina & Nika

Production Sound Mixers:
Jadran & Lyuba

ALICE *in* WONDERLAND

Cast:

M2P0

Daniel, Jasmin, Jurja, Nikolina, Sabrina ..... Narrators
Bella, Eva, Mia, Nella, Mikael, Tarin ..... Mice
Neill ..... Duck
Ana ..... Eagle
Ana, Dominik, Jan, Martin, Sara ..... Parrots
Ana, Ana, Bella, Dominik, Daniel, Jasmin, Eva, Jan, Jurja, Neill, Martin, Mia, Nella, Mikael, Nikolina, Sabrina, Sara, Tarin ..... Mythological Creatures
Ana, Ana, Bella, Dominik, Daniel, Jasmin, Eva, Jan, Jurja, Neill, Martin, Mia, Nella, Mikael, Nikolina, Sabrina, Sara, Tarin ..... Scenographs and Costume Designers
All M2P0 Students ..... Choir

M2P1

Cheshire Cats:
Andrija, Ana, Antonia, Arcadelka, Clemente, Dominik, Evan, Ivan, Jala, Laura, Lucia, Matej, Marko, Mala, Mia, Nikola, Ilya, Viktor, Yaryan
Andrew ..... Mad Hatter
Evan ..... Cheshire Cat
Mala ..... Lily the Lizard
Arcadelka ..... Caterpillar
Mia ..... Twin
Viktor ..... Twin
Matej ..... Twin
Lucia ..... Queen
Nikola ..... King
Andrija, Ana, Antonia, Arcadelka, Clemente, Dominik, Evan, Ivan, Jala, Laura, Lucia, Matej, Marko, Mala, Mia, Nikola, Ilya, Viktor, Yaryan ..... Scenographs and Costume Designers
All M2P1 Students ..... Choir

M2P2

(in order of appearance)
Christina & Nika ..... Individual Ensemble
David Z. ..... Narrator
Lucijana ..... Alice
Marko ..... White Rabbit
Lana ..... Alice
Francesco ..... Duck
Lara ..... Parrot
Luka G. ..... Eagle
Zia ..... Mouse
Kanta ..... Pat the Lizard
David D. ..... Animal 1
Vito ..... Animal 2
Reka ..... Caterpillar
Rachel ..... Cheshire Cat
Nika ..... March Hare
Luka T. (Alexander) ..... Dormouse
Alexander, Ana, Rachel, Christina, David D., David Z., Francesco, Nadia, Lara, Lana, Lucijana, Luka G., Luka T., Marko, Nika, Reka, Vito, Zia ..... Scenographs and Costume Designers
All M2P2 Students ..... Choir

M2P3

(in order of appearance)
Nana & Tamar ..... Birds
Ana & Lovela ..... Narrators
Yaryana ..... Alice's Sister
Nana ..... Mad Hatter
Zia ..... Alice
Eva Di & Ana ..... Duet – Love Begins
Jadran & Lyuba ..... Production Sound Mixers
Ana, Andi, Ani, Zia, Nana, Eva Di, Jadran, Lucija, Lyuba, Matej, Maya, Nadia, Nana, Nasi, Reka, Tamar, Yaryana ..... Scenographs and Costume Designers
All M2P3 Students ..... Choir

Choreography

What Are You Waiting For – Jadran Stefanac & Shut Up The Black Eyed Peas
Andrea, Arcadelka, Laura, Lucia, Mala, Mia, Yaryan

SONGS

The Mad Hatter
Nana

Love Begins
Eva Di & Ana

Jingle Bell Rock
All M2P3 Students - Choir

Teachers' Team

Barbara Cesnik ..... Head Director
Andreja Mavsa ..... Music Director
Ivana Zivanovic Cvitan ..... Scenographs and Costume Director
Jelena Tomasic ..... Choreography Director
Marko Vatlar ..... Sound and Special Effects Supervisor
Katka Sokac ..... Production Supervisor
Marta Vucic & Petra Stefol ..... Backstage Managers
Maja Arnaut ..... Hair Coordinator
Lana Peluc & Ina Tomic ..... Costume Managers
Dalia Prpic & Tia Jakic ..... Assistant Choir Directors
Ina Tomic & Nevine Kovacevic ..... Hair
Linda Celic ..... Make Managers

Looking forward to seeing you!

M2P Students & Teachers

Scenography Designers

Scenography Designers

BACKSTAGE THRİLL

Alice in Wonderland

Alice in Wonderland

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Alice in Wonderland

We are pretty much sure we all know who we were this morning on the 14th of December 2017, but have we all changed a few times today?, as Alice asks herself...

Over the last month we have jointly worked on the scenography and costume designing with teacher Ivana, singing and acting with teacher Antonia, choreography with teacher Jelena, and the script, casting, rehearsing lines, acting, performing, sound production and stage production with teacher Barbara.

Throughout this extensive process we have changed a lot. We have realised how much dedication is needed to put a show on the stage. We have learnt about leadership and about teamwork. We have learnt how to work together but still be individuals. We have proven that one of the beautiful aspects of performing a play is working together as a team. We have been inspired to think outside the box and to fuel our imagination.

Finally, to quote Lewis Carroll, a great writer, poet, essayist, but also a photographer and a math teacher: "Imagination is the only weapon in the war against Reality."

We wish you all the best, with some imagination of your own, not only at this time of the year, but also in the year to come.

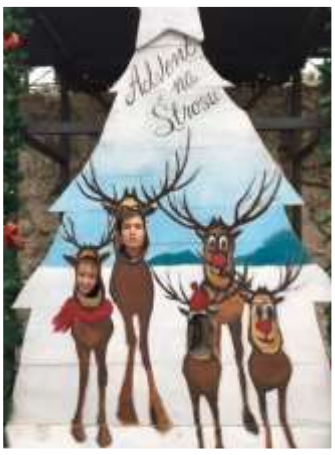
Matija Gubec Wonderland

Annual Project:

Street Life

Zagreb Advent Tour

December 20th, 2017



Zagreb Advent Tour

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Zagreb Advent Tour

The most beautiful time of the year has arrived! Advent week's are full of lights, ornaments, songs, fairs, events, delicious delicacies and a great holiday atmosphere. As an integral part of our annual project 'Street Life' we visited magic Zagreb Advent attractions in Grič tunnel, Strossmayer Promenade, Vranyczany Plateau, Gradec, Ban Jelačić Square, Cvjetni Square., Marić Passage, Zrinjevac Park, Strossmayer Square (Fooling Around), European Square and Croatian Republic Square. We also went ice skating in the Ice Park at the King Tomislav Square. After enjoying the festive Christmas atmosphere in our town we treated ourselves with some delicacies. The photo gallery speaks for itself!

Winter Bazaar

Our traditional Winter Bazaar was held on December 21st. It featured a variety of homemade crafts, homemade soaps and Christmas themed gifts that have been lovingly hand-made by the students within the School Cooperative sections. The MYP3 students - Ana, Ea, Fiona, Lucija, Noora and Yuxuan with the help of their Community Project Supervisor, Teacher Olga also organised the booth at our Winter Bazaar to raise funds for providing real hair wigs for children that have sadly lost their own hair due to cancer treatment.

Newsletter

Žar Ptica Theatre Visit

Mrvice iz dnevnog boravka

January 23rd, 2018

On January 23rd MYP1 and MYP2 Croatian Language and Literature students went to the City Theatre 'Žar ptica' to watch the play 'Mrvice iz dnevnog boravka".

Goethe Institute Visit

MYP1 visit

January 26th, 2018

On January 26th MYP1 students accompanied by our German teacher Ms. Jelena Penava visited the Goethe Institute. In the institute we explored the library where the librarian Ms. Martina told us a few facts about it. Ms. Martina gave us a task to find three books using the books' codes. After that activity we were divided into two groups. Each member in both groups had a paper which we had to fill in. As a reward each of us received a one-year membership card. With that membership card we can borrow books in the Goethe Institute library.

We would like to thank our teacher Jelena for a fun and interesting learning experience outside the classroom.

Maša (MYP1)

Newsletter

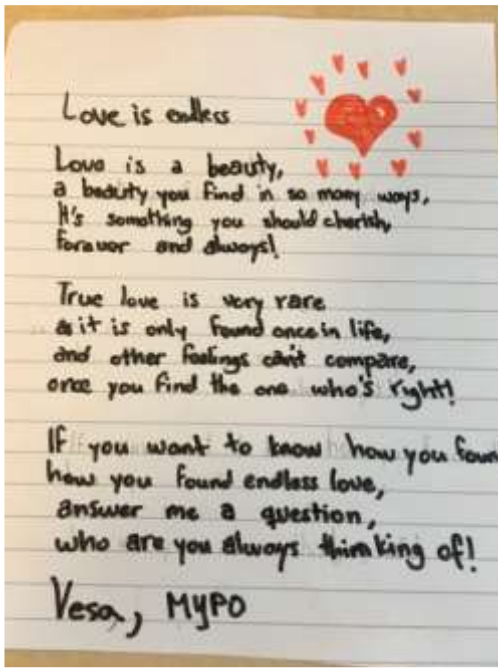
February
is the month to mark...
2nd February – Groundhog Day
3rd February – The Day the Music Died
4th February – Facebook's Birthday
5th February – Nutella Day – there is no need for further explanation...
6th February – Wear Red Day
12th February – Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
13th February – Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday
14th February – St. Valentine's Day
14th February – Ash Wednesday – the first day of Lent
16th February – Chinese New Year – 2018 the year of the Dog
21st February – International Mother Language Day
"If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes into his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart". Nelson Mandela
23rd February – Galileo Galilei's Birthday
2nd February – Be Humble Day
28th February – Tell a Fairy Tale Day

Love Poetry

February 14th, 2018

If you have not fallen in love yet, you surely will after reading these beautiful verses. The MYP0 students had a workshop on writing love poetry in the library. Here are a few samples of their writing in English, Chinese and Serbian.

Teacher Ina



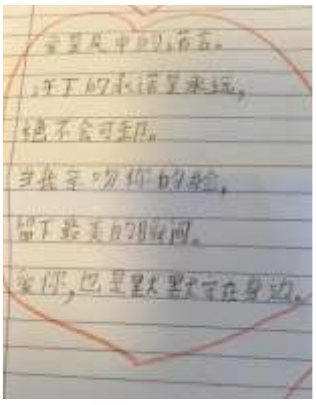
Love is endless

Love is a beauty,
a beauty you find in so many ways,
It's something you should cherish,
forever and always!

True love is very rare
as it is only found once in life,
and other feelings can't compare,
once you find the one who's right!

If you want to know how you found
how you found endless love,
answer me a question,
who are you always thinking of!

Vesa, MYP0



Happy Valentine's Day

Chinese Culture Week

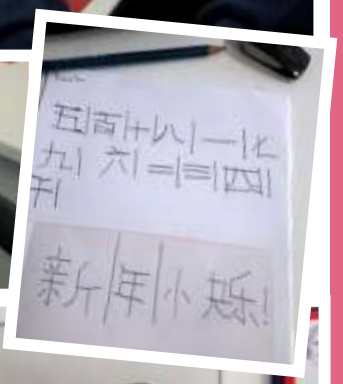
Chinese New Year

From February 1st to 15th we organised a series of educational workshops within the Chinese Culture Week. The workshops embraced Languages, Geography, Visual Art, Music and P.H.E. classes where the students learnt about the Chinese language, geographical and cultural features, music, calligraphy and martial arts. The students got an excellent opportunity to understand the brilliant and profound culture of China and to experience the broad range and great variety of Chinese traditions and customs.

Language workshops

for 4th graders

February 7th, 2018



Since the Chinese New Year is coming soon, our school held the Chinese Culture Week. On February 7th Yuyao, Hui Di and I held a Chinese workshop for fourth graders of the national program. We had a presentation about Chinese culture and we taught them how to write "Happy New Year" in Chinese. This was also our Service as Action activity in which we enjoy at the same time.

Yuxuan (MYP3)

Geography workshops

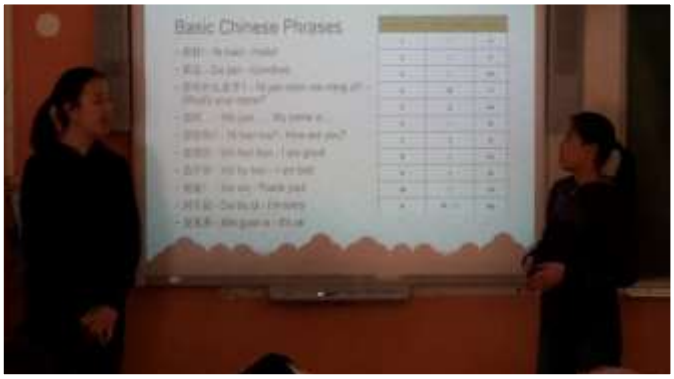
February 8th and 15th

As a part of the Chinese week activities students of MYP 2 class participated eagerly in the *Mapping China workshop* on February 8th. The students were divided into 4 groups, each of them with a specific mapping task: Mapping Chinese provinces, 50 biggest cities, landscape, rivers and relief and making graph of the population number change and population pyramids. The students produced some very interesting maps and graphs and learned quite a bit about the country itself. A special thanks goes to Francesco who managed to participate in the work of all groups...

China for Croatian 6th graders by Yuyao and Yuxuan, February 15th

We could hear the proper pronunciation of Chinese geographical names, so now we finally know how to say them because Cai sisters - Yuyao and Yuxuan presented their home country like they do it on daily basis. From Mt. Everest (Chomolangma, Sagarmatha) to Gobi Desert, from monsoon forests to empty deserts and from remote Shangri La (yes, it exists) to futuristic images of Shanghai and Hong Kong, we witnessed China opening up for our sixth graders who ended up fluently repeating main phrases in Chinese - which means preparing for the future world.

Teacher Hrvoje



Visual Art workshops

Kung Fu workshops

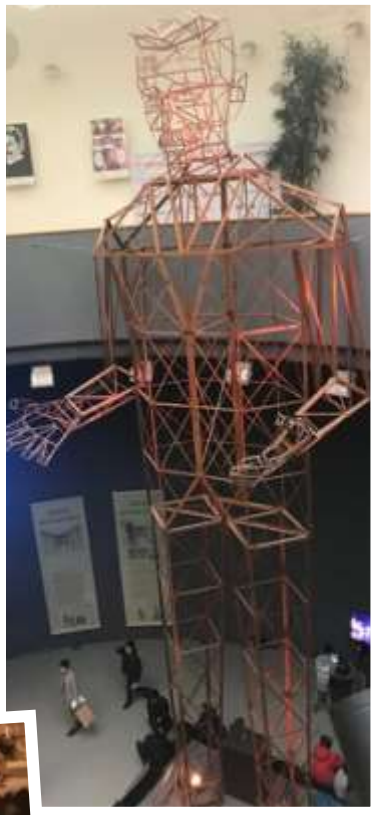
P. H. E. classes

Visual Art workshops

Learning outside the classroom

Nikola Tesla
MIND FROM THE FUTURE

February 21st, 2018



Nikola Tesla
MIND FROM THE FUTURE

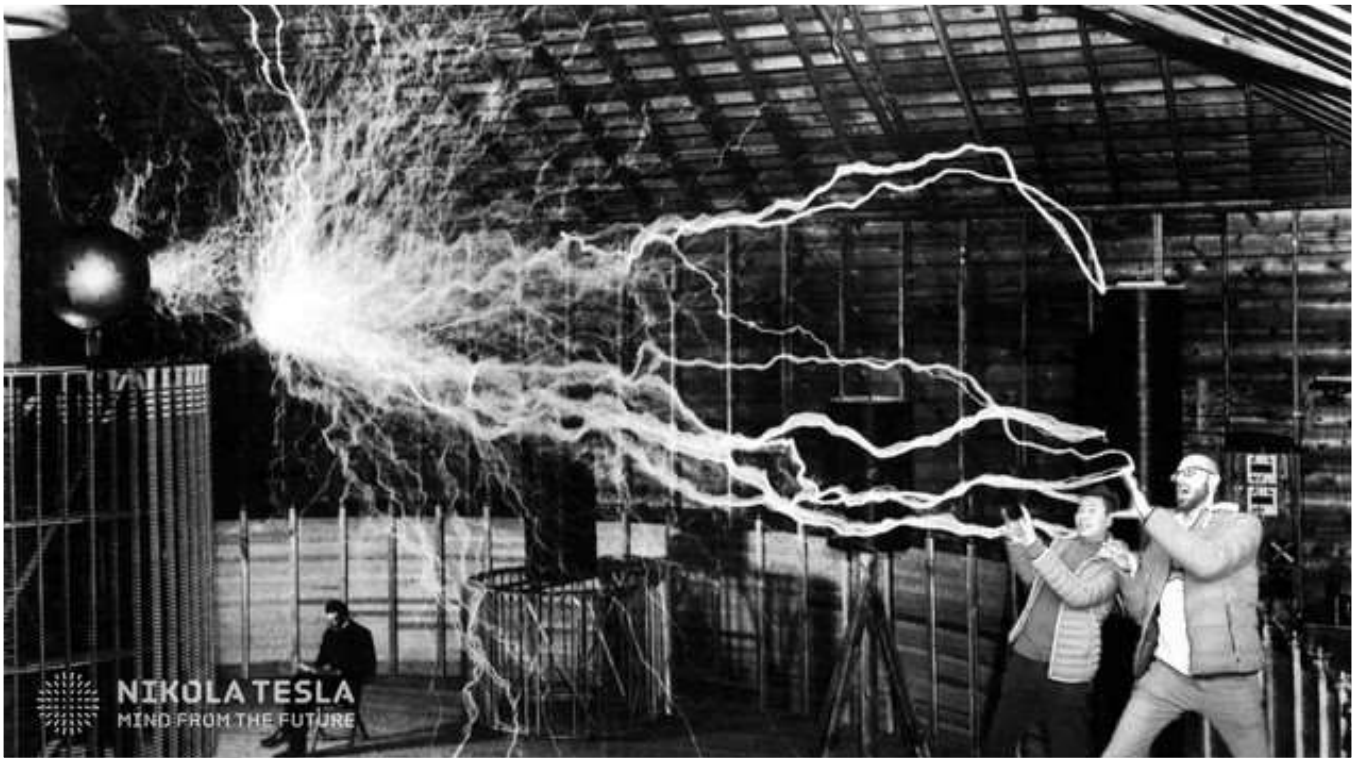
On February 21st the MYP students visited the multimedia exhibition 'Nikola Tesla: Mind from the Future' in the Mestrovic Pavilion. We had an opportunity to see the top art and science event inspired by the great visionary Nikola Tesla. At the museum we have seen some of the technology that Nikola Tesla worked with and experimented with. We found out that Nikola Tesla came up with many of the inventions that other scientists claimed for themselves. But Tesla just said: "I don't care that they stole my idea. I care that they don't have any of their own."

We experienced things like plasma generators, light receptors, light sensors and even brain reading. We were led by a guide through Tesla's life from his early childhood through his life in Budapest and Paris to his life period in New York. We found out many things from physics to chemistry, the origin of electricity, how it works and how he envisioned the world with free energy. We enjoyed experimenting with the interactive devices and machines that exhibited optical illusions, virtual reality, light physics, motion tacking devices...

We liked this exhibition a lot. We got to know better Tesla's inventions, thoughts, ideas and figured it out his never-ending need to keep digging new wells of his potential. Tesla's creative and scientific work is still so relevant and visible wherever we turn. He is mind from the future!

Roko (MYP2)

Nikola Tesla
MIND FROM THE FUTURE

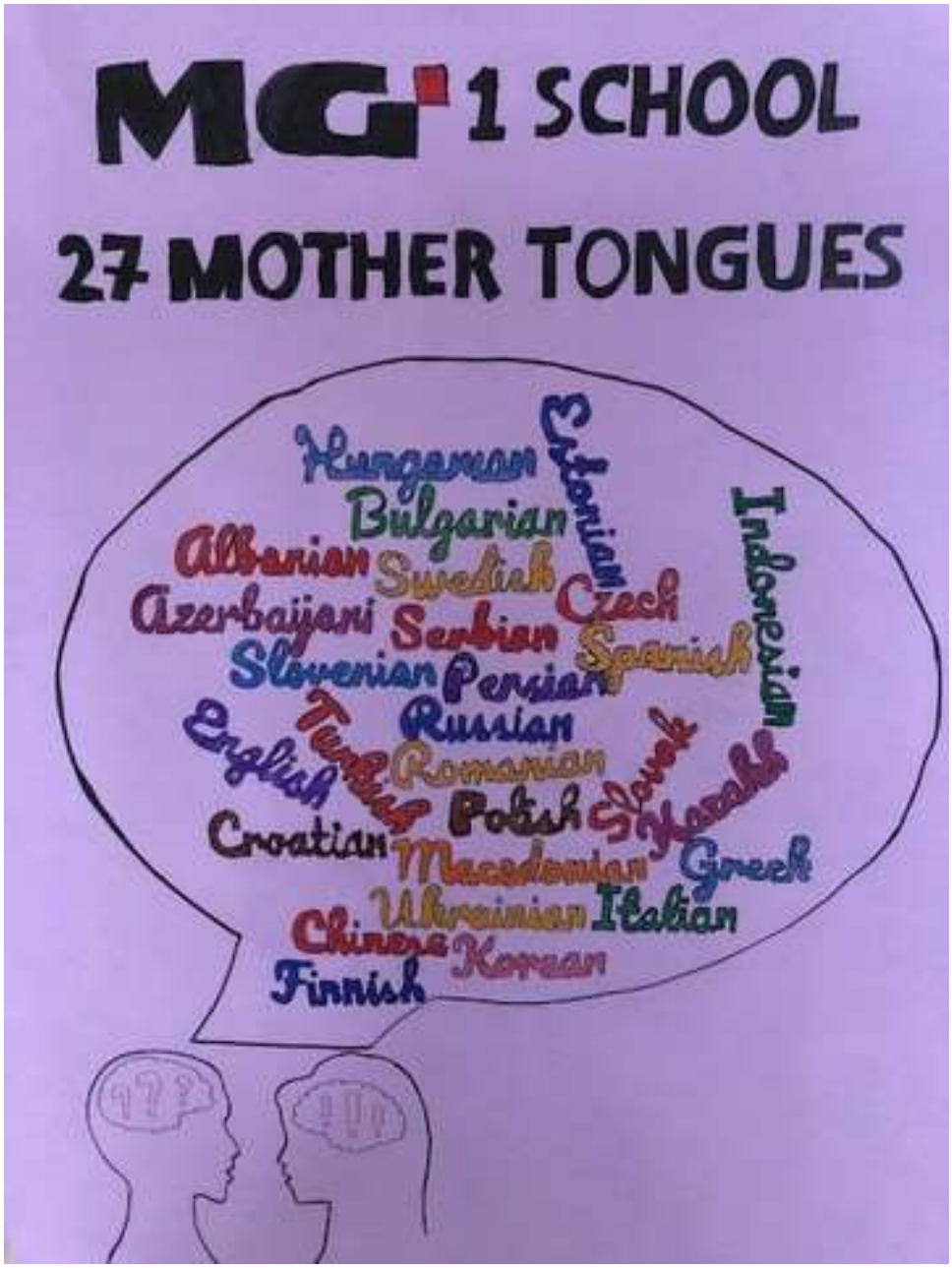


On Snow-Shoveling Duty

LANGUAGE FESTİVAL

on the occasion of the International Mother Language Day
February 22nd, 2018

MG MOTHER TONGUES



On February 22nd we celebrated the International Mother Language Day with a series of mother language courses led by our students and their parents. International Mother Language Day provides a chance to celebrate diversity, increase understanding and engage in dialogue.

The mother language or "mother tongue" is the language in which first words are spoken and thoughts expressed by an individual. Cognitively, the mother language is a crucial tool every child uses to understand the world. Culturally, the mother language is a fundamental expression of history and identity.

We have explored the diverse languages our students speak in our classrooms and found out that 27 languages are spoken at MG: Albanian, Azerbaijani, Bulgarian, Chinese, Croatian, Czech, English, Estonian, Finnish, Greek, Hungarian, Indonesian, Italian, Kazakh, Korean, Macedonian, Persian, Polish, Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Slovakian, Slovenian, Spanish, Swedish, Turkish and Ukrainian.

Kazakhstan at MG

Parents Teaching About Their Countries

Lecture on Kazakhstan

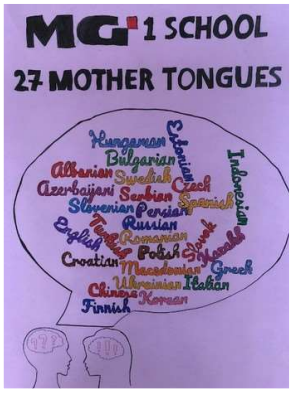
The Mother Language Day Celebration started with the presentation about Kazakhstan held by Ms. Alvina Tursynkul, Ms. Dinara and Mr. Aidar with the assistance of Gauhar (MYP0). Through the wonderful presentation we got an insight into Kazakhstan and its geographical features, culture, national costumes, economy and poetry. We have learnt that the Kazakh language is a Turkic language that contains many words from Russian, Arabic, Mongol and Persian. We have also learnt that 99 out of 118 elements in the periodic table of elements were detected in Kazakhstan; that Sputnik, the world's first orbiting satellite was launched from Kazakhstan and that the first manned spaceflight with Yuri Gagarin took off into space from Kazakhstan.

Thank You Note

This interesting lecture showed us how fascinating country Kazakhstan was and we are very thankful to Ms. Alvina Tursynkul and her family for this educational and enjoyable lesson.

MOTHER LANGUAGE TEACHERS

Students to Students



The celebration was continued by the *Mother Language Courses* where MYP students – Era & Vesa, Arho & Marton, Alexander & Konstantin, Antonio & **Jaša, Clemente & Andrija, Ilsu & Őzge** were teaching us the basics of Albanian, Hungarian, Russian, Slovenian, Spanish and Turkish.

The students diligently prepared the language learning materials and stepped into the teacher's shoes. They all were immensely helpful and patient while generously sharing their knowledge. We are all thankful to our students who put so much effort and enthusiasm in teaching us the basics of their mother language. It was great to be a student again!

MOTHER LANGUAGE TEACHERS

School Library Exhibition

Linguistic Diversity Make Us Stronger

The exhibition organised on the occasion of the International Mother Language Day at the school library emphasised the importance of cherishing the multilingualism and multiculturalism along emphasising the reasons why we should love our mother language.

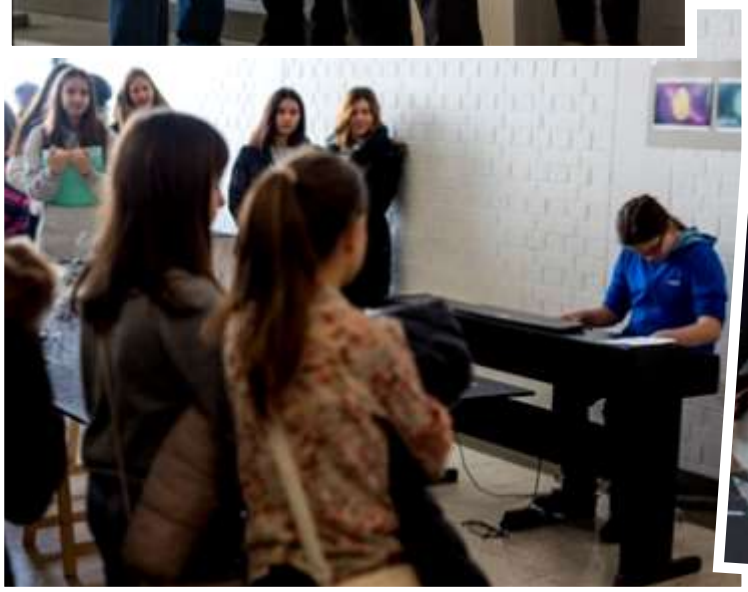
LIK 2018

LIK 2018

February 27th, 2018

Visual Art & Design Exhibition
Opening ceremony

Our school had traditionally the pleasure of hosting the Visual Art and Design Exhibition - Contest of the primary and secondary school students of the City of Zagreb. This exhibition is a joyful celebration of students' creativity that enhances and acknowledges students' art work. Our students, under the guidance of the Visual Art teacher Ms. Ivana Devernay Cimić, participated with a great enthusiasm and created their artwork related to this year's theme "Mystical Miracle World". Opening ceremony was held on February 27th, 2018. Our principal Ms. Ljiljana Klinger opened the LIK 2018 with a warm welcome speech to all the guests. Jadran (MYP3) enriched the opening ceremony with a piano performance and MG klapa choir "Manda" with a singing performance.



LIK 2018

Rewarded Students

We would like to congratulate to **Domenik (MYP1), Lucia (MYP1), Yuyao (MYP1), Bartul (MYP2), Tonka (MYP2), Ana (MYP3), Noora (MYP3) and Yuxuan (MYP3)** and their mentor teacher **Ms. Ivana Devernay Cimić** on their excellent achievement and praise them for their amazing artwork. Special congratulations to **Ana (MYP3),** whose artwork has been selected for the State Contest.

Newsletter

March
is the month to mark...
1st March – Purim
1st March – Zero Discrimination Day
2nd March – Dr Seuss' birthday (1904-1991)
3rd March - Dentist's Day
8th March – International Women's Day
13th March - Popcorn Lovers' Day
14th March – Albert Einstein's birthday (1879-1955)
Pi Day
17th March – Saint Patrick's Day
19th March – Saint Joseph
21st March – Nowruz (Persian New Year)
21st March - Zodiac sign Aries
22nd March - World Water Day
"We never know the worth of water till the well is dry."
30th March
Daylight savings time begins in Europe

European Week of Money

Financial literacy

March 5th, 2018

As an integral part of the 'In Medias ReStart' project the MYP class representatives – Clemente, Fiona, Maciej, Timur, Yuyao and Zoe participated at the European Week of Money held at the Ministry of Science and Education on March 5th.

The European Week of Money is organised by the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of the Economy, the Education and Training Agency and the Croatian National Bank. The main goal is to improve financial literacy and to enable children, young people and citizens to acquire financial competencies needed in everyday private and business life.

Fiona, Timur and Zoe presented the paper money collected from the countries of origins of the MYP students. Clemente, Maciej and Yuyao presented the Math financial project 'Home budget' that we have done during the Maths classes with the Maths teacher Ms. Marta Kvesić. We were playing a role of an adult for a week. At the beginning of the week we had a budget of 1550 HRK and we had to distribute it wisely on our children, food, supplies, dog, bills etc. We all ended up with a negative balance. We figured it out that being an adult is very difficult because there are a lot of responsibilities to take care of. We came back proud to school because all the visitors, participants and journalists were genuinely interested in our project and told us that we were doing a great job.

Clemente, Maciej and Yuyao (MYP1)

Počinje eksperimentalni program poduke iz financijske pismenosti

ZAGREB – Kako tijekom dana voditi financije kao odrasla osoba, projekt je poduke financijske pismenosti koji su prošli učenici šesting razreda zagrebačke OŠ »Matija Gubec«, jedne od 60-tak škola u Hrvatskoj koje učenike podučavaju u tome kako upravljati novcem. To je jedan od projekata za razvoj financijske pismenosti, financiranih sredstvima Europskog socijalnog fonda, koji su u povodu Europskog tjedna novca predstavljeni u Ministarstvu znanosti i obrazovanja.

Tijekom projekta koji je osmislila profesorica matematike Marta Kvesić, a odvijao se na nastavi matematike paralelno s upoznavanjem negativnih brojeva, učenici su raspolagali određenim budžetom i vježbali kako pametno raspolagati novcem.

– Usput su nailazili na prepreke, recimo pokvarila im se perilica rublja, trebali su kupiti novu i učiti u tim. Dobro su se snašli, bi-

lo je simpatično kako djeca također nisu bježala učiti u timu, već su htjela pratiti dijelove mašine i proći robu na ruke – prepričala nam je profesorica Kvesić.

Velika većina škola uvrštava se financijskim opismenjivanjem učenika, iako bi to moralo biti sastavni dio pripreme za život. Ministrica Blaženka Divjak najavljuje da će to biti sastavni dio međupredmetne teme. Podsjetimo, riječ je o eksperimentalnu pristupu u školama, a od iduće školske godine u sve hrvatske škole.

Ministrica je najavila da će svaki od 6.000 učenika koliko ih sudjeluje u eksperimentalnu fazu reforme dobiti svoj tablet. (I. L. V. M.)

ACES Conference at MG

March 10th - 12th, 2018

From March 10th to 12th our school hosted the ACES Conference. ACES, the Association of Central European Schools that our school joined in 2017, is an umbrella organisation which represents and provides services to IB schools in Central Europe. Representatives from 24 schools in Austria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia have been invited.

The Association of Central European Schools represents and promotes the educational and public interests of IB member schools and their communities, working together to support learning and fosters sharing among member schools and support professional development. Our principal Ms. Ljiljana Klinger opened the conference with a warm welcome speech after which the participants were taken on a 45-minute school tour led by our MYP3 students – Ana, Hui Di and Noora. The students have not only prepared themselves for the school tour, but were spontaneously and professionally engaged in the exchange with the heads of Central European schools, informing them about all the details that interested them and presented our school in the best possible way. The conference, besides bringing together all participants, is the platform where experiences are presented, shared and reflected. This evaluation process leads to the formulation of quality criteria for the values of international school projects as well as to the development of new ideas for joint cooperation. The conference wrapped up with a cultural experience during which the participants had the opportunity to get to know Zagreb and its cultural and historical sights.

Olga Arneri

Oliver Twist

at the 'Vidra' Theatre

March 14th, 2018

This month the MYP students have been focusing on the Oliver Twist story during Drama and Language classes. Oliver Twist is written by Charles Dickens, and it is about an orphanage boy who is trying to overcome the daily struggles which lead to many adventures. The students have been watching the Oliver Twist movie, as well as sharing their opinions on the situations occurring in the movie. This was a great way to prepare us for the Oliver Twist play we went to watch on March 14th at the **'Vidra Theatre'** performed by the American Drama Group Europe in collaboration with TNT Theatre London. The play lasted for approximately two hours and included all the main parts of the story. The most impressive thing was that it included only five British actors that were playing different roles and two scenography sets: a gallows and a coffin looking box. It was very compelling and entertaining to watch, which shows us that even simple scenography can offer such strong emotions. Now the students' task will be to compare and contrast the Oliver Twist movie and the Oliver Twist play, and will hopefully be able to learn something new.

Tonka (MYP2)

Logo Design Challenge

During the Design classes the MYP2 and MYP3 students got an assignment to design a logo to present our annual project 'Street Life'. We organised the Logo Contest where the students and teachers voted for the best design solutions. We proudly present the top-voted solutions:

Made by: Bartul (MYP2)

Made by: Roko (MYP3)

Francophonie celebrations

LA FÊTE DE LA FRANCOPHONIE EN CROATIE

PRAZNIK FRANKOFONIJE U HRVATSKOJ

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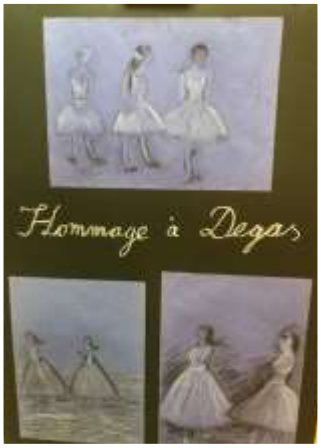
Soireé de la Francophonie

frAnCOpHonie Night



French Night at MG

March 16th, 2018

As an international school, we are always proud to celebrate our diverse cultures, traditions, and languages. Among our many different cultural events, the ***Soirée de la francophonie*** is the important milestone in celebrating cultural diversity. For the second time in our school, we decided to celebrate International Day of Francophonie on Friday 16th March.

The French students and the French teacher Ms. Tea Jahić organized a special and eventful Francophonie day for the students, guests from the other schools and parents. The evening began with the opening remarks from the Head of School Ms. Ljiljana Klinger, Director of the French Institute in Croatia and consultant for cooperation and cultural activities in the French Embassy in Zagreb Mr. Guillaume Colin as well from Canada's Ambassador to Croatia, Mr. Daniel Maksymiuk. Speeches were followed by short drama plays, dance, songs and others presented by kindergarten, primary schools and high schools of the city of Zagreb in which French language is taught.

We are proud to say that this evening was a true *homage to the French culture and language.*

Tea Jahić

Jutarnji list article

VEČER FRANKOFONIJE

Više od 150 učenika OŠ Matije Gupca odalo počast francuskom jeziku

Više od 150 učenika od vrtićke do srednjoškolske dobi u petak je pjevalo i glumilo u čast francuskom jeziku. U Osnovnoj školi Matije Gupca na Knežiji održana je 7. večer frankofonije na kojoj su djeca koja uče francuski izvela cjeloviti glazbeno-dramski program. Riječ je o tradicionalnom događaju u francuskoj kulturi pod nazivom "La Soirée de la francophonie sous l'égide de l'ACPF" u kojem se spajaju glazba, književnost i gluma, a na kojem učenici izvode i dio programa koji su sami stvarali tijekom školske godine. Večer frankofonije inače je manifestacija koja se slavi tijekom cijelog mjeseca ožujka. mb

French Delf Exam

FRENCH DELF A1 and A2 exam in our school

Traditionally during the month of February and March, MYP3 students attending French as an optional subject take part in an international exam called DELF.

This year, 5 of our students took part and we are sure that each one of them will receive the only qualifications recognized by the *French Ministry of Education* and that French language will help them achieve professional and personal goals later in the future.

Tea Jahić

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Kangaroo Mathematical Contest

International Math Competition - March 22nd, 2018

On March 22nd MYP students along with the students of the national programme participated at the world-wide event "International Kangaroo Mathematics Contest" organised in our school. The contest's main purpose is to promote mathematical thinking and foster student engagement in mathematics through problem solving. As the key competence tested by the Kangaroo is logical combination, and not just pure knowledge of formulas, the contest has been proven to be the most effective event to promote and popularize mathematics at all levels in schools. Our students used efficient strategies and shortcuts to solve competitive math problems as well as test-taking tactics. After the competition the students gladly discussed with each other the solutions and their ways of solving problems.

Test solutions will be posted on April 20th at the Croatian Mathematical Society website and the ranking list on May 2nd.

Library activities

World Storytelling Day

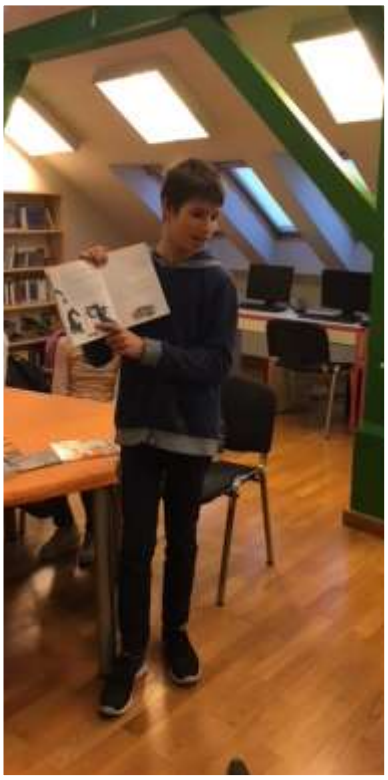
Stories Of My Country

World Storytelling Day is a day which is celebrated globally every year on March 20th for the art of storytelling. On this day, people spend time telling stories from their countries to other people. For several years we have the same tradition in our school. On March 21st MYP0 students - Gauhar, Jurja, Kirill, Marton, Mia, Sabrina and Vesa presented the most beautiful childhood stories from their countries to PYP2 and PYP3 students.

Our young storytellers' aim was to tell and share the stories from their countries of origin or the countries they had lived before in order to inspire students to listen, read, share and talk about them.

Teacher Ina

World Storytelling Day



Annual Project:

Service as Action within the annual project 'Street Life'

Soup Kitchen Volunteering

As a part of the Service as Action activity within our annual project 'Street Life' we launched the volunteering program in the Soup Kitchen of the "Missionaries of Charity - Sisters of Mother Teresa". The turnout has been great – 22 students signed up to volunteer in the soup kitchen on Mondays during the months of March, April and May. Prior to our first visit we were collecting some bread ingredients in our school. On March 26th our first group of students – Ana, Mara and Noella (MYP3) accompanied by teacher Ina started to volunteer. We brought flour, salt, sugar and dry yeast that the students and their parents generously donated. We were welcomed by Sister Dobrila and went on to volunteer in the soup kitchen. We peeled potatoes, chopped vegetables, and served meals. In the end we washed the dishes and tidied up the kitchen. It was a pleasant and useful experience for all of us. I would like to thank once again the Missionaries of Charity for opening their door and their hearts to us, and allowing us to help those most in need. We headed home with our hearts full, wishing to return some other time to help those living at the edge of existence, and also help the Sisters who radiate an incredible joy of life and love. We would like to thank all the students and their parents for their generous donations and to all the students-volunteers.

Teacher Ina

Soup Kitchen Volunteering

Impressions

Ana: "I really enjoyed our visit to the Soup Kitchen because it made me happy and content when I worked with my friends, our teacher Ina and the staff there to ensure that the people who are in need receive a nice and warm meal. The Soup Kitchen visit meant a lot to me because it was an outlet for my positive thoughts to be put into positive actions that will mean something to the people who need the help."

Mara: *"I felt that the Soup kitchen was very organized and very nice. I thought it was very nice to help out the community and those who don't have as much as we do. This made me feel very helpful and fulfilled and encourage me to help out more."*

Noella: "In the Soup kitchen, I felt glad that I was able to help someone in need. Helping out at the Soup kitchen helped me realize that even a small bit of help may mean a lot to someone else. I am very happy that my help was meaningful to others, and this encourages me to keep on helping."

April
hello
april

Service as Action

Creek Clean-Up Action

Service as Action

April 13th, 2018

TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP

As a part of the Service as Action program we were organising the Creek Clean-Up Action on April 13th in cooperation with the Public Institution "Nature Park Medvednica" that our school made an *Agreement on Cooperation* with in order to establish the Volunteer Program for the MYP students. While embracing the beautiful, sunny day, we were cleaning the Vukov Dol Creek and collecting a lot of trash until the creek looked clean. We found tires, cans, bottles, old clothes... After the creek clean-up we visited the Igrcov watermill and the beautiful permaculture estate Sovinjak where we enjoyed our free time in entertaining games.

We came back to school happy that we could help and do our part for our environment, nature and community. We are looking forward to our next clean-up activity!

TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP

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TEAMWORK!

Sovinjak Estate

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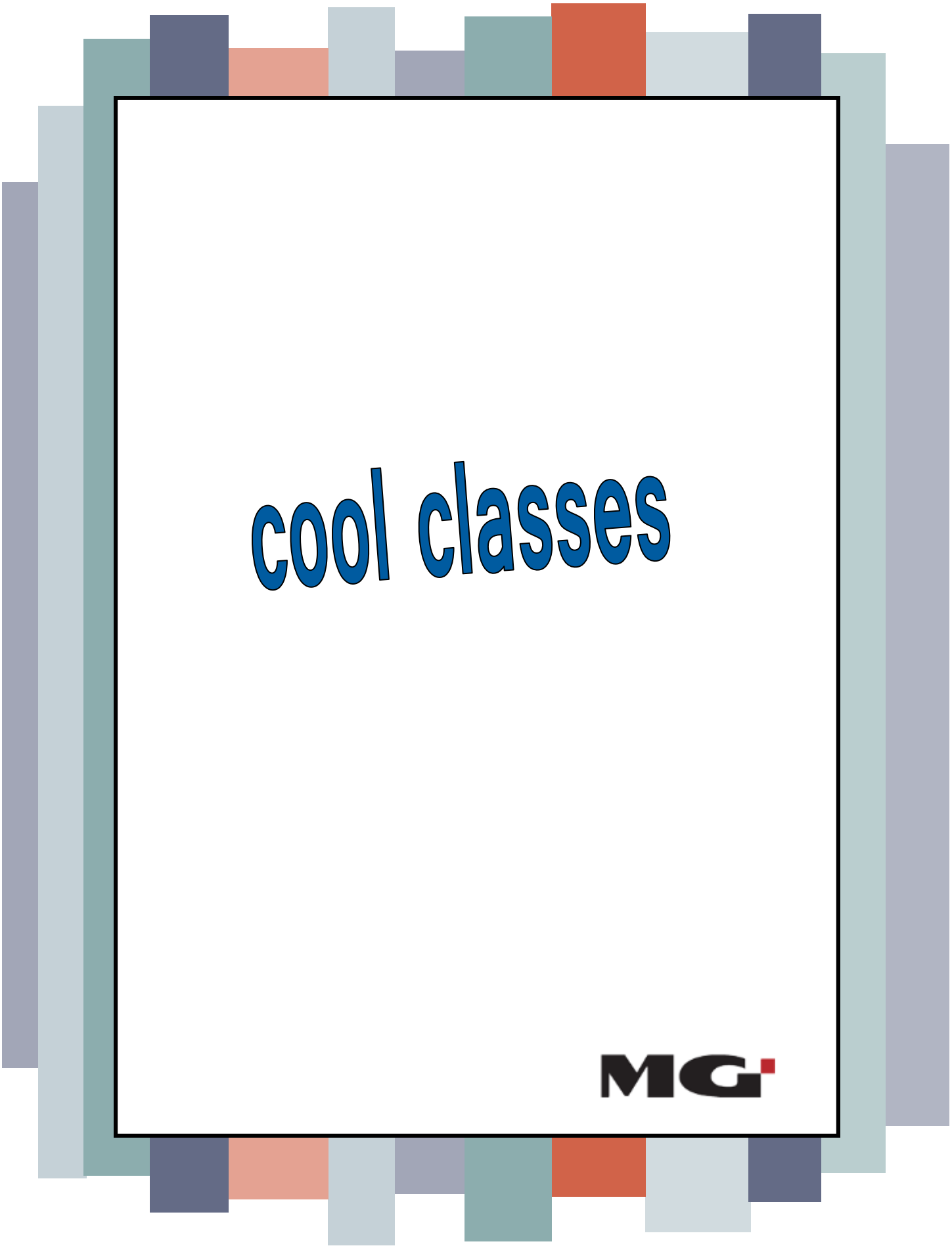
cool classes
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Food Festival

On April 16th, the Croatian Language Acquisition class was different than usual for our MYP1 students. After completing the second unit called Enjoy Your Meal, the students were expected to think of a dish/dessert that would represent their country. They had to write down the recipe in Croatian, cook the food and present it to their classmates. There was even some cooking going on during the class, as some students had to do some finishing touches on their food. In any case, the class was a big success both for the students and their teacher.

Ina Tomić

Library activities

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World Book Day

World Book Day

April 23rd, 2018

The World Book Day is celebrated every year on 23 April, the date of death of two renowned world authors, William Shakespeare and Miguel de Cervantes, and is based on the Catalonian custom of offering gifts of books and roses on Saint George's Day. Our school celebrated it with some special activities.

MYP3 students had a chance to debate the topic 'Book or e-**book'** and tried to figure out what the future holds for books, as well as debate about the advantages and disadvantages of paper vs digital books.

MYP0 students organised a puppet show, Fisherman and the Golden Fish, a well-known fairy tale by Aleksandar Puškin. The students directed the show, and crafted the puppets and scenography, all by themselves.

At the end of the day, the writer Ankica Blažinović Kljajo paid us a visit, presenting her collection of stories titled "It's Best to be Me". Our 5th grade students from national and international programme were there to meet her.

Ina Tomić

Field Trip zoom

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Trip to Italy

Three-day Field Trip

April 19th - 21st, 2018

On the first day we arrived at school around 6:45 and got on the bus with our luggage. We had a long ride around 7 hours till we finally reached the beautiful town of Ravenna, where we ate some fancy Italian food (pasta) and we had a short tour around the town. The town was very interesting and full of old monuments with beautiful historical stories behind them. In the evening that day we arrived at the hotel in the town of Rimini. Next morning after breakfast we went sightseeing the town of Rimini. After a tour we visited the thematic park 'Italia in Miniatura' with around 273 miniatures of famous Italian and European buildings in a scale 1:25 or 1:50. In the afternoon we went to Mirabilandia amusement park which was the best part because there were so many awesome rollercoasters and some really cool water rides. I wish we had more time in Mirabilandia because to me it was the best part of the field trip. Later when we arrived to the hotel we had dinner and after dinner we went for a walk on the beach. On the last day we went to San Marino. It took us about an hour to get there. San Marino has such a beautiful view, it also had beautiful monuments, history and architecture. After enjoying some free time and lunch in San Marino we drove back to Zagreb.

In general the trip was very fun and interesting. I hope there will be more field trips like this one where we go out of Croatia.

Leona (MYP2)

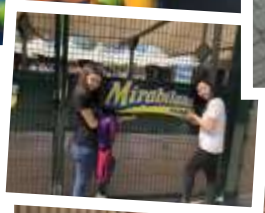
Ravenna & Rimini

Italia in Miniatura

The thematic park displays 273 miniatures of famous Italian and European buildings in a scale 1:25 or 1:50.

Mirabilandia

Vivi il divertimento!



San Marino

Newsletter

Žar Ptica Theatre Visit

Kraljević i prosjak, MYP1 (Croatian A)

May 10th, 2018

Visits to our school

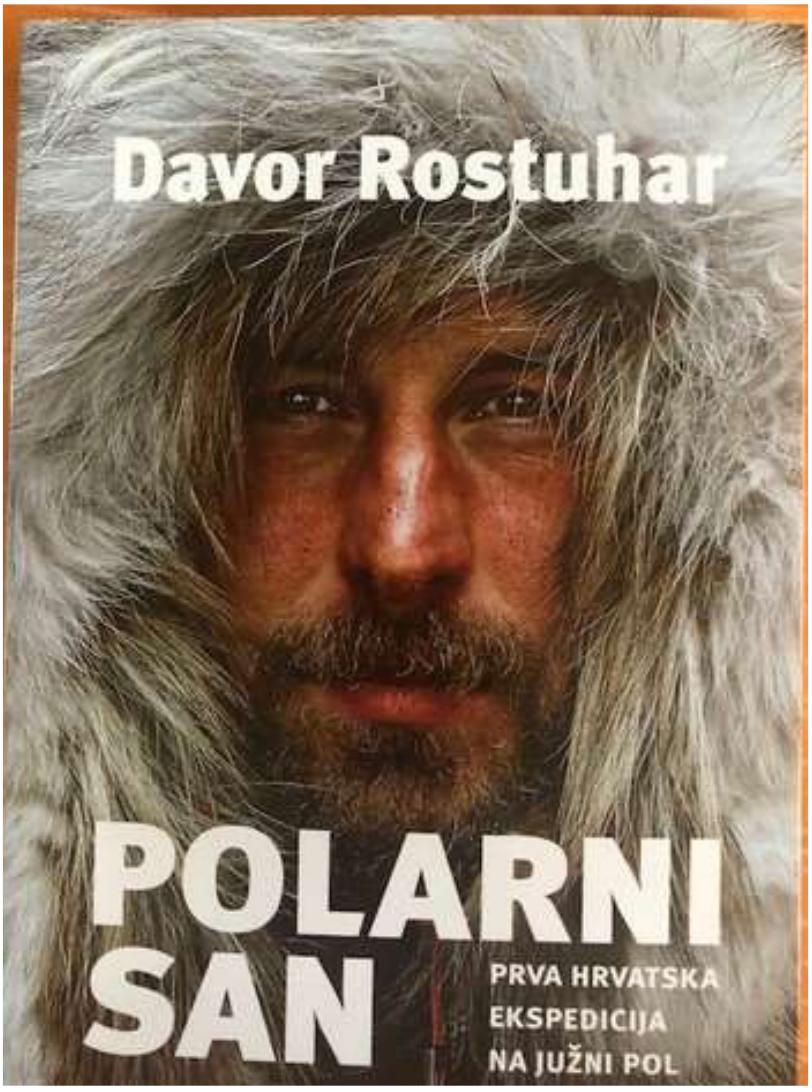
ACEnet at MG

Conference on Cultural and Artistic Education

May 9th, 2018

An International Conference on Cultural and Artistic Education - *Culture and Creative Practices for Better Education* was held at the Museum of Mimara on May 8th with the support of the Ministry of Science and Education and the Education and Training Agency in Zagreb. On May 9th our school hosted a meeting of ACEnet network to be attended by members of ACEnet from member states of the European Union. ACEnet is an international network whose mission is to place art, culture and creative education at the heart of our society. Besides the meeting the ACEnet members visited our creative classes of Visual Art, Klapa Singing, Food Technology and Sewing.

Polar Dream



On May 14th Davor Rostuhar, well-known travel writer, photographer, explorer and our former student visited our school and presented us his incredible adventure – the first Croatian expedition to the South Pole. He told us how he flew to the South America and sailed on the boat to the coasts of Antarctica. We listened his story how he walked 1200 km for 47 days on foot on skis from the coast of Antarctica to the South Pole completely alone and without using any external energy from wind, animals or engines. He pulled everything he needed for the 47 days that the expedition lasted on a sled weighing 137 kg at the start. He even showed us a video with his daily routine. We had a great time enjoying this interesting lecture which woke up a little child in our teachers as well. We are proud that MG former student is the first Croat and 24th person in history who conquered the South Pole on foot.

Konstantin (MYP2)

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Soup Kitchen Volunteering

May 28th, 2018

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Congratulations

To All Our Winners!

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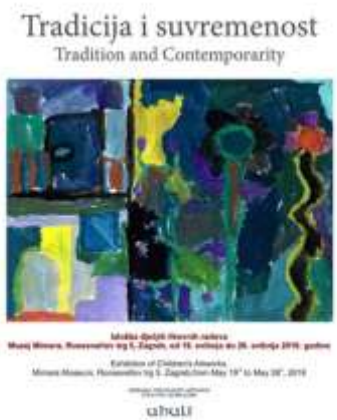
Football Champions

MG School Football Team, with our MYP1 students – Antonio, Ivan and Viktor, achieved outstanding sports results. They won first prize in the Primary Schools Football Championship of the City of Zagreb and qualified for the Primary Schools National Football Championship. Congratulations!!!!

Tradition and Contemporarity

May 19th, 2018

Our students visited the *Opening Ceremony* of the Tradition and Contemporary Exhibition on May 19th at the Mimara Museum. This year's theme was *Preserving the Heritage of Traditional and Contemporary Architecture of the Republic of Croatia* The students, under the great guidance of their Visual Art teacher Ms. **Ivana Devernay Cimić,** have greatly presented their artwork. We would like to congratulate to Laura (MYP1) who is ranked among the top 10 students in Croatia. We would also like to congratulate to the MYP2 students - Francesco, Tonka and Luka S. and Andrija (MYP1) whose art work was also selected for the Tradition and Contemporary Exhibition. Bravo!!!



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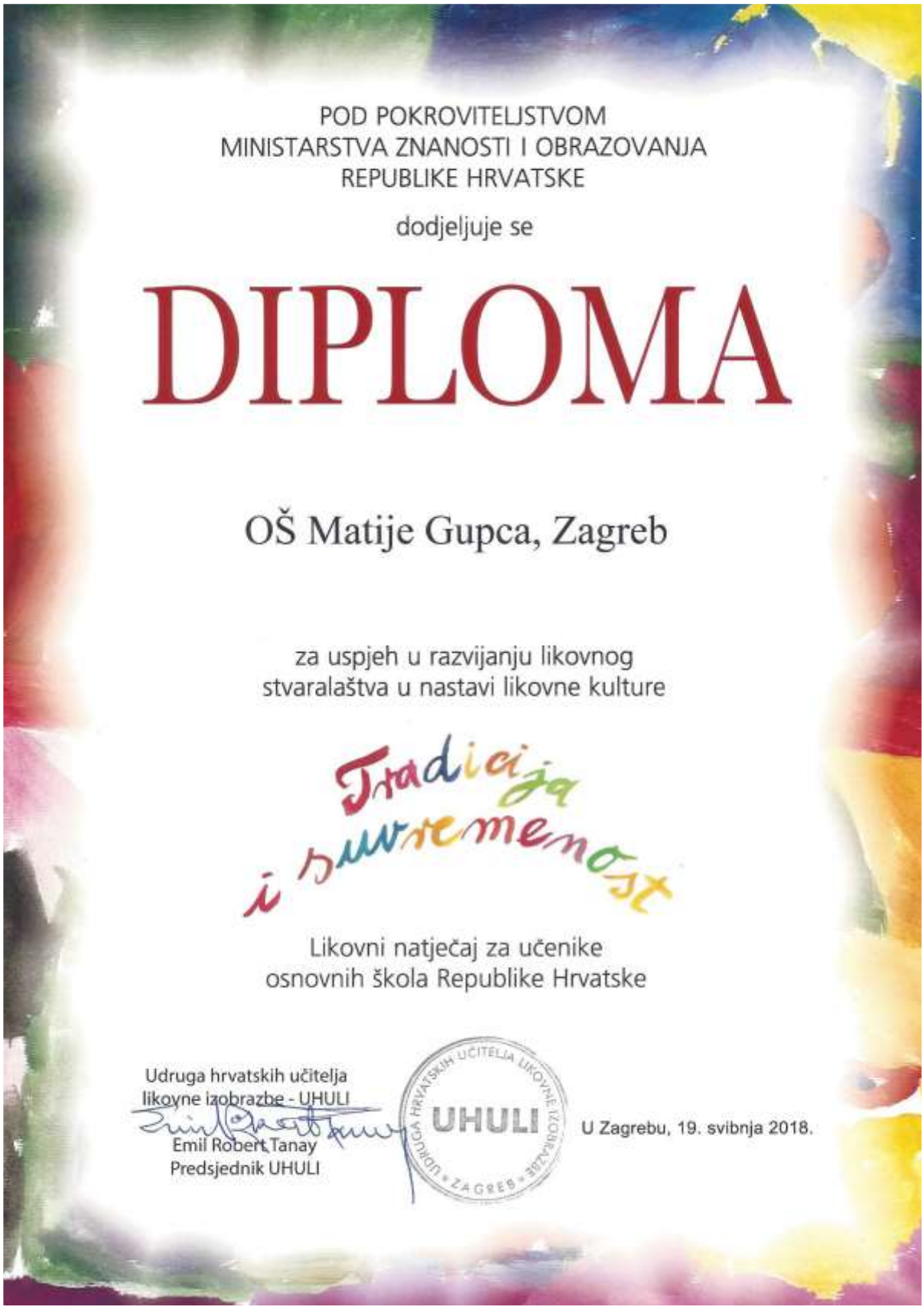

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School Co-Op Contest

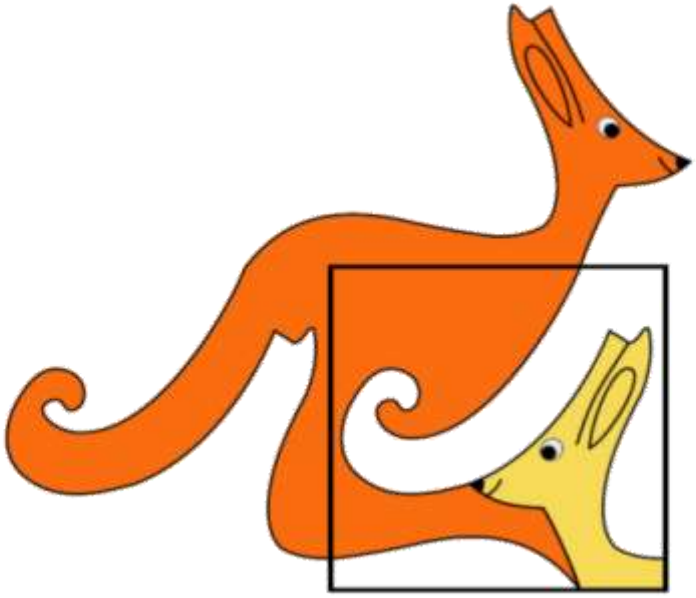
Our School Co-Op Won First Prize!

May 29th, 2018

Our School Cooperative "That's it!" participated at the 16th Review of School Cooperative Society of the City of Zagreb that was held on May 29th, 2017 at the Zrinjevac Park. Under the great guidance of the School Co-op Leader, Ms. Ivana Devernay **Cimić** the students presented the new collection of hand-made cosmetic bags called 'Cvijeta' that they had lovingly designed and made. Their effort, enthusiasm and creativity has been recognized and they won First Prize in the *School Co-Op Contest* of the City of Zagreb.

We would like to congratulate to **Lucia, Mia, Özge** and Yuyao (MYP1) and teacher Ivana along with all the students and teachers who worked diligently for this great success and praise them for their amazing creativity and excellent achievement. We are all happy and proud of the achievements of our School Cooperative and wish them all the success in their future work!

Kangaroo Mathematical Contest



And last, but not least, we got the results from the International Kangaroo Mathematics Contest that 130 students of our school have participated in. We are so proud of all of our students and their achievements, especially of Mihael (MYP0) who is ranked among the top ten percent of the students in Croatia! Congratulations!

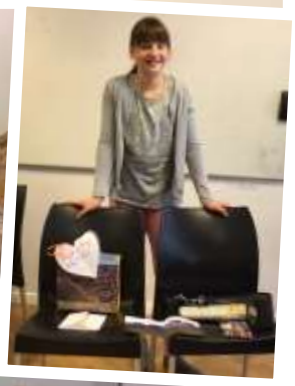
cool classes

Compulsory Reading Is Fun

MYP0 students were given the task to analyse the book 'Trojica u Trnju' by Pavao Pavlicic in a different way than usual. They created a movable map of a character, drew the character the way they imagined them and did the analysis. The next task was to fill the paper bags with various objects connected in some way with the given novel. The paper bags were artfully designed and decorated. During class the students summarized the novel and presented it by using their chosen objects.

Ina Tomić

Croatian classes



Thank You For Mountains

As an introduction to poetry, MYP0 students have read and analysed a poem by Benjamin Zephaniah: "Thank You for Word". In order to remind ourselves that many truly important words, and "grateful" being one of them, are slowly losing their true meaning, the students have written their own *Thank You For Mountains* poem. In the beginning some of the students experienced a writer's block, but pair work and great guidance of teacher Olga has helped them overcome this uneasy feeling and now they are all proud of their work.

English classes

Thank You For Mountains

Thank you for mountains,
Which I find fascinating
Thank you for the peaks,
That sometimes have creeks.

Thank you for the hills,
That I get chills,
When I watch it enlarging
Into a mountain.

There is a Croatian mountain we call Velebit,
And when the moon is seen, it is moonlit.

by Ilsu and Mia

Thank You For Mountains

Thank you for mountains with the great view
and which I can't chew.
Thank you for mountains where endangered animals live
and to which I drive.

Thanx for mountains that are cool and high
and the ones I won't buy,
and thanks for mountains
that are beautiful like fountains.

Thank you for mountains on which I reach the peak,
And on which I look like a freak.
Thanx for mountains I touch,
thank you very, very much.

Wait! You thought I was done!
If you did, I will shoot with a gun,
Climbing mountains is very fun,
And from the top I will shoot with an air gun.

When I climb the top it's very cold,
And thanks for the ones I can't fold.
Thanx for the mountain that was made by the Dutch,
Thank you very, very much!

by Mihael

Thank You For Mountains

Thank you for mountains,
That are so great.

Thank you for mountains,
That I can't rate.

Thank you for mountains,
That don't have a date.

And those mountains,
That are always late.

Thank you for mountains,
That have no weight.

And those mountains,
That look like number eight.

Thank you for mountains,
That I skate and also raise debate.

Thank you for mountains,
That I like to create.

And those mountains
Of food that I put on my plate.

And the ones,
I like to update.

Thank you for mountains,
That when they win, they say check mate.

Thank you for mountains,
That open my gate.

I wrote this poem,
With my best mate.
We met each other in West-Gate.

by Božo and Damjan

Thank You For Mountains

Thank You For Mountains

Thank you for mountains so high,
They make me want to touch the sky.
Thanks for mountains which are cold,
They look like piles of gold.
Thanx for those colourful mountains,
Which have streams that flow like fountains.
Thank you for that beautiful mountain which we touch,
Thank you very very much.

by Jurja and Sabrina

Thank You For Mountains

Thank you for mountains I climb
and the ones that feel rough from time to time.
Thanks for the mountains whose peaks are snowy
and those that tell a story.

Thank you for mountains that keep me calm
and the rocks that I touch with my palm.
Thanks for mountains so peaceful
and the view which is beautiful.

Thank you for mountains with a slippery slope
and the mountains when I reach the top.
Thanks for mountains I explore
and those that keep me off the floor.

Thanks for mountains so exhausting
and those that keep me climbing.
Thank you for mountains that I touch
thank you, thank you very much!

by Gauhar and Vesa

Thank You For Mountains

Thank you for mountains,
With a lot of fountains.
Also for those mountains,
Which have big empty plains,
that can be seen from airplanes,
like the biggest mountains in the United States.
Thank you for mountains with a lot of snow,
And the mountains over which I flow.
Thank you for mountains with beautiful views,
But not for mountains where people's stuff lose.
Thanks for mountains with lots of visitors,
And mountains with jails full of prisoners.
But don't worry, police will catch them,
Especially the criminal who's Dutch,
But thank you very much.

by Kairu and Marton

Thank You For Mountains

Thank you for mountains so steep
because they get me at the end asleep.
Thanks for the mountains with the highest peak
and for the ones with the lowest physique.

Thanks for the mountains with the widest creeks
because they are much more leaks.
Thanks for mountains so snowy
It really triggers Joey.

Thanks for the mountains so fascinating
It makes me want to start dictating.
Thanks for mountains with a beautiful view
They always strengthen my IQ.

Thanks for mountains that make me tired
and the ones that get me fired.
Thanks for mountains so calm,
They make me throw my smoke bomb.

by Arho and Daniel

Sports Day

May 22nd, 2018

Teamwork Makes The Dream Work!

Sports Day

Teamwork Makes The Dream Work!

Field Trip
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MG Goes Dalmatian

Three-day Field Trip

May 16th - 18th, 2018

From May 16th to 18th we went on a three-day field trip to the Northern Dalmatia. We visited the Vrana Lake Nature Park, hunted the treasure of the Zadar Old Town, explored the unspoiled nature of the National Park Paklenica through the Jeep Safari Tour, enjoyed the fishing cruise in the Biograd Aquatorium and had a great time in the adventurous Fun Park.

On the first day we visited the Vrana Lake Nature Park where we observed many bird species through the Birdwatching program. We learnt that there were around 260 bird species occasionally or permanently living in the area of the Nature Park, representing 65 percent of all bird species in Croatia. After the Birdwatching program we had lunch at the beautiful viewpoint Kamenjak.

Vrana Lake Nature Park

Entering the World of Birds

Kamenjak Viewpoint

Top Lookout in Croatia

Sightseeing Treasure Hunt

Interactive Walking Tour in the Zadar Old Town

Then we visited the town of Zadar. We were split into a number of small groups and took part in the Treasure Hunt of the Zadar Old Town. It was a great 'hunt' where we got to know the City Square, Five Wells Square, Land Gate, St. Anastasia Cathedral, St. Donatus Church, Roman Forum, Pillory of Shame, Kampo Kaštelo, Providure's Palace. We ended our tour at the Sea Organ and Greetings to the Sun where we witnessed the most beautiful sunset in the world.

Off-road Adventure

Jeep Safari in the NP Paklenica

The second day we went on the Jeep Safari through the National Park Paklenica. It was a thrilling road-off adventure where we were captivated by the Velebit Mountain and made many stops to admire the unspoiled nature, impressive karst forms and beautiful views of the Adriatic Sea..

Having fun at the beach

When we returned to the hotel we had a lot of fun - we were swimming in the sea, building sandcastles and playing on the waterslide at the outdoor pool.

Beach Party

Seas the Day!

2nd day
evening

Beach Party

In the evening we had a Beach Party with torches and music, singing and dancing.

Fishing cruise

Biograd Aquatorium & Pašman Channel

On the last day we took a boat ride through the Biograd Aquatorium and Pašman Channel. On this 'fishing cruise' we visited the islands of Vrgada and Košara to see cage fish farming.

Fish farming

Islands of Košara and Vrgada

Fun Park Mirnovec

Save the Best for Last!

After the boat ride we visited the Fun Park Mirnovec in the town of Biograd where we had so much fun on the roller-coasters, pirate ships, Haunted house, bumper cars and many other adventures.

Croatian Gardaland

It's Our Kind Of Fun!

This field trip was very fun and enjoyable. We learnt and experienced so many new things. It was a field trip that we will never forget.!

Antea, Maša & Mia (MYP1)

Review of all MYP3 Community projects

Community Project is On!

MYP 3 Students:
Ana, Andi, Aris, Ea, Hui Di, Fiona, Jadran, Lucija, Ljubo, Mara, Matej, Noella, Noora, Olaf, Roko, Timur, Yuxuan

Teachers Supervisors:
Olga Arneri, Lana Brkić, Ratko Johan, Marko Korbar, Linda Zelić

Community Projects 2017/2018

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STREET ART

BY TIMUR

IT workshops

IT workshops organised for MYP0 students

In year three of the MYP programme the students are obliged to complete the Community Project. As the Community Project I have chosen to actively participate in educating MYP students about some computer programs. For that purpose I organised a series of IT workshops for MYP0 students with a goal of expanding their knowledge. MYP0 students will be taught about MS Office (Word; PowerPoint), web tools (Prezi - online presentation tool; Wix - free website builder) and some coding programs. First I carried out a survey among MYP0 students in order to assess their level of knowledge, to find out their interests and to prepare myself better for the IT workshops.

The workshops were successful - the MYP0 students eagerly participated and what is the most important for me, looked forward to my classes.

Matej (MYP3)

Hats Of Happiness

Action for children who lost their hair due to cancer treatment

As we all know, the MYP3 students are each year obligated to take part in the known assignment as a "Community Project." The aim of this project is to give us an opportunity to assist other communities in need, which was explicitly what we accomplished within our community project. Throughout the course of the whole school year, brainstorming for ideas and researching about various kinds of organizations, we all agreed to give children, who have gone through a chemotherapy treatment, a helping hand. Since the children who went through this treatment (as a result of cancer) suffer from hair loss, we thought it would be a noble idea to raise money and provide some of the children with wigs. And so, our project began... we had a meeting with our mentor, Ms. Olga Arneri. We discussed about our proposals and she guided us through them. As we settled on the idea, we contacted the doctors from the Children hospital in Klaićeva and they agreed to support and coordinate with our ideas. Our project was called "Hair for Happy Heads." We started off by holding a Bake Sale during the International Community Day in which we collaborated with another group to work with us. It required a lot of planning and dedication to make that charitable activity successful. At the end of that event we collected approximately 3.500 HRK and split the money with the other group. A couple of weeks later, we had a meeting with a wig supplier in a shop called "Quince." We discussed our aims and luckily we received their support as well. In December we held another bake sale during the Christmas bazaar, again in cooperation with the "Diet is the Way to Beat This" group. We didn't raise as much money as before, but it was still successful. In February in cooperation with the Caps of Love group we organised the Carnival Charity Tombola which a majority of the students participated in. The tickets were priced at 20 HRK each and we successfully sold every one of them. But our project suddenly took a turn after we received information that it would be more beneficial if we donated hats to the children instead wigs, as wigs are hard to maintain and may cause health hazards for the patients. Hence the change of our slogan - "Hats of Happiness." Soon after, we arranged a visit to the Institute for tumours and had a tour around with the doctor. According to the doctor's suggestion we bought a variety of hats for kids of all ages and genders. After purchasing the hats we went to the Institute of tumours and donated the hats. We had some money left over and decided to donate the remainder of our earnings to the hospital for good use.

Ana, Fiona & Noora (MYP3)

Christmas For Everyone

Action for the 'Mali zmaj' Association

As my community project, I have decided to help poor families enjoy their Christmas with a table full of food and sweets for their children. I have worked with an organization called ''Mali Zmaj''. I set up a Christmas tree at the lockers of the international part of the school, with flyers under the tree. Each student was supposed to pick an angel from the Christmas tree and buy products for the chosen family. Once the students brought the products, I carried them to the Mali Zmaj for packing. Once we packed all the products, I transported them to the post office to be delivered to families all over Croatia. I have done this project, because I wanted families to have happy Christmas and to celebrate it on a right way. At the same time, I wanted to remind people what is a main purpose of Christmas-kindness and love. It was nice showing someone that you care about them, and helping them, even if you don't know them. That way, we are doing a good deed, but also helping ourselves not to take some things in life for granted. I enjoyed working with different families and volunteers at the ''Mali Zmaj''. It was so encouraging to receive thank you notes from the families, and it made me realise that you I helped someone. I am still looking forward to work with the ''Mali Zmaj'', hoping to bring joy to more and more of the families.

Noella (MYP3)

Humanitarian Concert

'Music Moves Us All'

On March 22nd at 6:30 p.m. the "Music Moves us All" humanitarian concert was held in our school. The concert was a part of Jadran's (MYP3) Community Project. The goal of the concert is to raise funds for "Mali Dom", an organization for rehabilitation of children with development issues. With the help of other MYP3 students volunteers - Ana, Andi, Ea, Fiona, Hui Di, Lucija, Ljubo, Matej, Noora, Timur and Yuxuan, the concert was a success. After a short welcome speech, the guest representatives from "Mali Dom" showed us an educational movie about their organization and rewarded Jadran, as the organiser of the concert, with a complimentary gift.

The concert program consisted of songs:

1. *"Sonata in c-minor; first movement, Allegro Moderato" by Jadran*
2. *"Imperial Etude, op. 46 no. 3" by Bruno Vlahek*
3. *"Space Oddity" by David Bowie*
4. *"Wake Me Up When September Ends" by Green Day*
5. *"Rebel Rebel" by David Bowie*
6. *"Improvisation no. 4" by Jadran*
7. *"Imagine" by John Lennon*
8. *"Knocking on Heavens Door" by Bob Dylan*
9. *"You're Right" by Jadran*

performed by Jadran (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9), Fiona (4, 5, 8) and Timur (4, 5, 8). Together with the help of his mentor teacher Ms. Olga Arneri and the volunteers, the concert went smoothly and the audience had a great time. After the concert the guests were offered a variety of baked goods and beverages provided by the students and teachers.

Thank You Note

The concert was a success and we managed to raise over 3000 HRK for the children of "Mali Dom". I would like to thank you all for your generous contributions and donations.

Jadran (MYP3)

Think Before You Click

Cyberbullying Awareness and Prevention Workshops

As a Community Project I have chosen to make a campaign against cyberbullying in order to raise an awareness about this issue. We all live in a digital world and unfortunately cyberbullying has become a growing problem being widely spread among teenagers. First I conducted a survey among the MYP students to get an insight into students' experiences with cyberbullying. I was surprised by the survey results, especially by two findings:

- 75 % of students admitted they had used bad language online
- 63 % of students have been cyberbullied, but they are very reluctant to seek help from their parents and teachers. All that made me realised that the students need a good education training. Therefore I made the brochure and organised the cyberbullying education workshops for the MYP students where I taught them how to recognize some cyberbullying tactics and explained them the steps what to do in case cyberbullying happens.

Personally I wish none of the students ever experience cyberbullying, but in case it occurs I hope this education and brochure might help them to fight it!

Roko (MYP3)

Intercultural Music Workshops

Workshops for PYP3 students

As my community project, I have chosen to teach the PYP3 students about the various celebrations around the world, and to teach them how to sing and play some songs on the piano.

In April I organised workshops for PYP3 students: singing and playing piano. I taught them about the celebrations around the world, how people celebrate, food festivities and lyrics of some songs. My goal was to teach them the songs connected to various celebrations around the world and I achieved my goal.

The students learned the lyrics from Jingle Bells by heart, they tried to read the Chinese song and it went well. We made our plans for their show to PYP0 students and made a small choreography. They enjoyed while playing the piano and I enjoyed teaching them.

Hui Di (MYP3)

Diet Is The Key To Beat This

In today's world a lot of children have diabetes and the number is still rising. Since we are MYP3 students this year, as our community project we decided to raise awareness of diabetes in to all the MYP students. We are working together with an organization in Zagreb called 'Petica za Zdravlje'. We started our Community Project by holding Bake Sales on the International community day and on the Christmas bazar with Ana, Fiona and Noora's group. We baked some cookies, cupcakes and made lemonade, then we sold it. We split the money at the end and we managed to collect 2350 HRK, and we are going to donate all the money to the organization called 'Petica za Zdravlje'. On the 24th of April we held presentation in school to MYP 0, 1 and 2 students. We asked them some questions in the survey and we taught them what diabetes is and some symptoms and consequences of diabetes and how we can prevent getting it by living a healthy lifestyle. On the 25th of April we held a Smoothie Contest in the small hall. We bought apples, bananas, strawberries and some tropical fruits. We also bought different types of milks like almond milk, coconut milk, yogurt etc. We invited all MYP students and divided them into 10 groups of 7. Every group had to make a recipe out of the ingredient which we brought and the class presidents were the judges. The winner group received a price which were sugar free cookies and chocolates. We had a lot of fun during our project, especially during the Smoothie contest and we hope that the students did too. We tried our best to teach the students about diabetes and to show them how important and better it is to live in a healthier way. We hope that the students carry on with this type of lifestyle even after we leave this school and that we made a change. A big thank you to everyone who participated, you helped us a lot!

Ea, Lucija & Yuxuan (MYP3)

Building a Sport Gym

Improving sport infrastructure in the town of Novi Vinodolski

In my Community Project I have chosen to focus on the town of Novi Vinodolski where I spend my summer holidays. The goal of my project is to participate actively in empowering access to sport and recreational facilities in the town of Novi Vinodolski. In another words I tried to improve sport infrastructure there by participating in building a sport gym that would host different public events, different clubs and sport clubs activities, sport tournaments, different shows and media events. The greater purpose of my project is to increase opportunities for everyone to be physically active and to create living, working and social environments that would support and encourage healthy and active lifestyle.

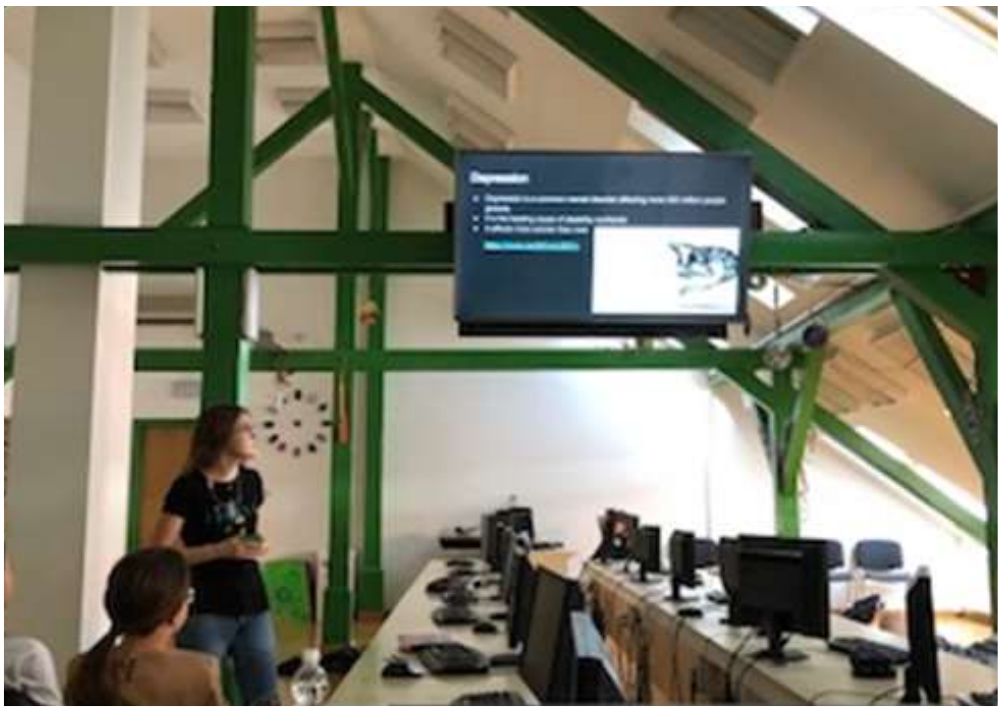
In order to address properly this project I decided to make an interview with the Mayor of Novi Vinodolski. In this interview I got first hand information about needs of local community for sports gym facility. Based on this interview I concluded that there is a great need for advanced indoor sport gym in Novi Vinodolski. Furthermore, I made appointments with relevant City Office for Development where I have asked for documentation relevant to this project. Also I contacted different parties that will most commonly use this gym, such as different clubs and organisations. I researched possible locations where it would be ideal to build a sport gym, studied how to read blueprints and explored the Building Plot and Construction Plan Law. As a result I created the strategy and action plan that would help the city authorities to have a brother view, to have better arguments for such a project to be realised and to give better outline to the city for raising the funds for building a new gym. The project is set to begin as soon as the money is available. I have managed to create the document that will help the authorities to have arguments for the project to speed up. According to my predictions many people will start using a gym for sports and will use new equipment. After the gym is ready, the City of Novi Vinodolski will be able to employ more people with specialty in sports.

I greatly appreciate and I have been thankful to the Mayor of Novi Vinodolski Mr. Velimir Piškulić that has been very cooperative and helpful to me and was supporting me in this project to the end. Also I would like to thank to all local citizens for their cooperation. I also thank my Dad who showed me how to approach a complicated project in a simple way.

Aris (MYP3)

Dealing With The Truth

Raising awareness about teen mental health



I developed a questionnaire, in cooperation with the Poliklinika with the purpose of trying to see how much my peers knew and about how they were feeling. Many of the students that were allowed to participate did not answer all questions, some did not complete the questionnaire and others did not take it seriously. As a result, the findings of the survey were inconclusive and the sample size was too small. Due to an overwhelming demand for help from young people in Zagreb, scheduling a presentation by experts from Hrabri Telefon and the Poliklinika could not be accommodated within the school schedule. To compensate for that, I held presentations for all MYP classes and shared the information that I had learned from experts about this very important subject. I also included other MYP students in producing visual effects for my presentations. My advice for future students partaking in the community project is to pick a topic you are passionate about and that is not commonly known. Start with an outline early on in the process. Do all the stages for their due date and not last minute. Write in your process journal daily and do not forget to add photos. Meet with your mentor regularly as this is very helpful. If you are planning on bringing in an expert make plans with them and the school in advance.

Mara (MYP3)

My community project addressed mental health in teens. Teens suffer from stress caused by pressures at school, home, friends and from bullying, all of which impacts their mental health. My community project aimed to raise awareness about mental health, how to identify problems and how to develop coping mechanisms during difficult times. In raising awareness about depression, anxiety and suicide the aim was to demonstrate that there is always a way to cope and always somewhere to get help. *Hrabri Telefon* and the *Poliklinika za zastitu djece i mladih grada Zagreba* are the two main sources of information and help for youth who need someone to talk to or who need a helping hand.

In undertaking this community project I had hoped that I would be able to access specific information about teen mental health in Croatia. Unfortunately, while there is a lot of information about this issue around the world and from the World Health Organization, in Croatia there is very little information and an ongoing stigma about discussing mental health in general. In interviewing experts from Hrabri Telefon and the Poliklinika za zastitu djece i mladih grada Zagreba this hypothesis was confirmed and I set about trying to gather my own statistics.

Caps of Love

Fund raising for the Centre for Autism and collecting caps for UOLL

Our Community Project is called "Fund raising for the Centre for Autism and collecting caps for UOLL." This is because the campaign is split into two main parts. The first part is based on collecting caps for UOLL which is an organization helping kids with leukemia and lymphoma. This campaign was first started two years ago by Olaf's sister Karolina. Since then our school has collected around 500 kg of caps. For collecting caps we have also involved other institutions such as Polish school in Zagreb, Polish embassy and Association "Copernicus." Recently we have also involved Lidl in collecting caps for us. For promoting our collecting caps campaign we sent email's to all the parents and presented our campaign to all MYP and PYP students. Since the beginning of the campaign we have regularly collected caps form all boxes in school that we had previously put there.

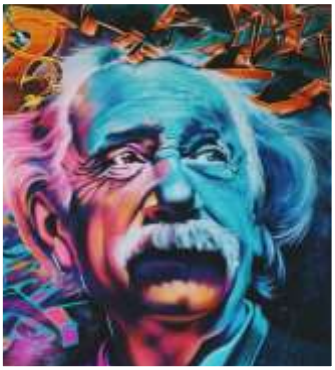
The second part of our Community Project consists of organizing various fund-raising activities:

- International Community Day on October 19th when we prepared our own table and were selling Polish traditional products and Chinese food. We managed to collect 1.400 HRK which was high above our expectations.
- Charity Tombola held on February 13th when we collected 300 kuna
- Charity Football Tournament held on 28th March which consisted of four teams of six players. The winning team received prizes in form of sweets. Prizes were also given to winners of football challenges. We collected 600 kuna.

The money raised from these fund-raising events will be spent on tablets which will be donated to the Centre for Autism. Our goal was to collect over 2000 kuna to buy 3 tablets and we succeeded.

Olaf, Andi and Ljubo (MYP3)

Street Art Is Not A Crime



In the MYP3 the students are obliged to complete a community project. As my project I have chosen a topic concerning the Street Art and my goal is to convey to people that Graffiti is not only a Vandalism but it can also be a fine art and form of expression. I also investigated how Street Art could affect other human lives nowadays and how it had done it through the history. To achieve this I held the informative and interesting presentations, organized an interview with the Croatian Street Artists, found the locations of different Street arts and Graffiti and as a final outcome of my project I created the Street Art Guide.

Timur (MYP3)

Carnival Charity Tombola

Service as Action

February 13th, 2018

On February 13th we organised our traditional Carnival Charity Tombola. That was a great opportunity for the students and their teachers to disguise, but also to do some humanitarian action. The whole event was organised by our MYP3 students - Ana, Andi, Fiona, Ljubo, Noora and Olaf.

Best Mask Contest

The Contest was full of creative costumes. Olaf ran the whole show and the Student Jury comprised of the MYP representatives - Marton, Lucia, Lucijana and Mara selected the winners..

Carnival Charity Tombola

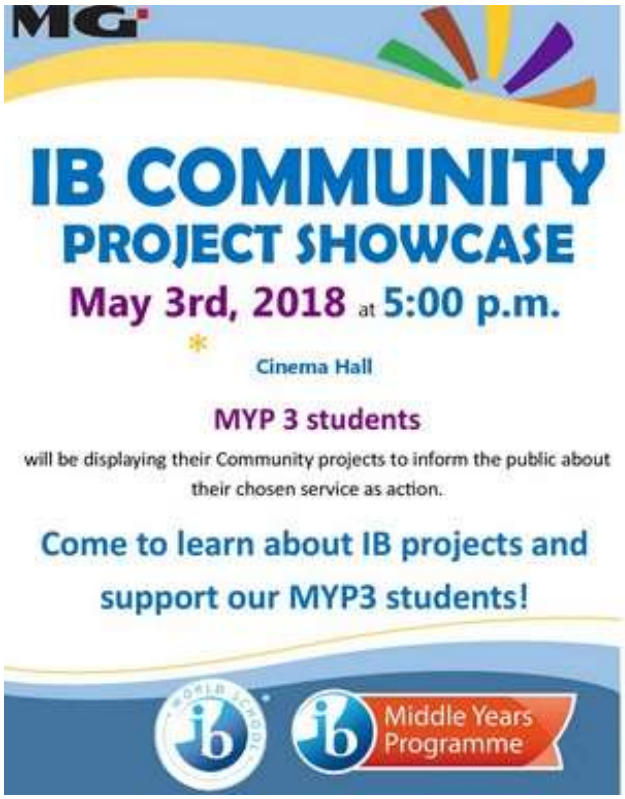
The tombola was a great success too. All students bought the raffle tickets and enthusiastically brought gifts for our tombola. Thanks to the great response of the students and their parents and teachers our MYP3 students raised the funds for continuation of their Community projects. The money raised from the Carnival Charity Tombola will be used providing cures for children with leukemia and providing real hair wigs for children that have sadly lost their own hair due to cancer treatment.

Thank You Note

We would like to thank all the students and parents for their generous contributions and supporting our MG Charity Tombola with kindly donated gifts.

Community Project Showcase

May 3rd, 2018



On May 3rd we organised the *Community Project Showcase*. The Community Project is student-centred and engages students in practical explorations through a cycle of inquiry, action and reflection. It focuses on community and service, encouraging students to explore their right and responsibility to implement service as action in the community. During the Community Project Showcase our MYP3 students presented their IB Community Projects to inform the public about their chosen service as action. While this project must have seemed quite demanding for our students, the rewards have become even greater, both for the students and the community whose need they chose to address.

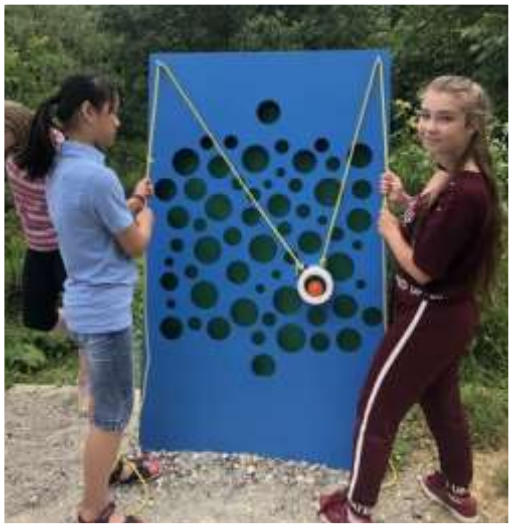
June Newsletter

Science Park Oroslavlje

June 5th, 2018

On June 5th we went to the newly-opened Science Park Oroslavlje. When we headed off that morning I wasn't that excited about it, but when I came there I really started loving it. I knew a lot about most of the exhibits that we saw there, but it made me very entertained to see it in person. Personally I enjoyed the optical illusions a lot, and I also liked how some of the showcases were based on actual physics laws, for example the Newton's Cradle and the transmission of energy.
I really enjoyed lunch afterwards - we went to the pizza restaurant right after the visit. All in all it was a great experience and I enjoyed this scientific journey.

Roko (MYP2)

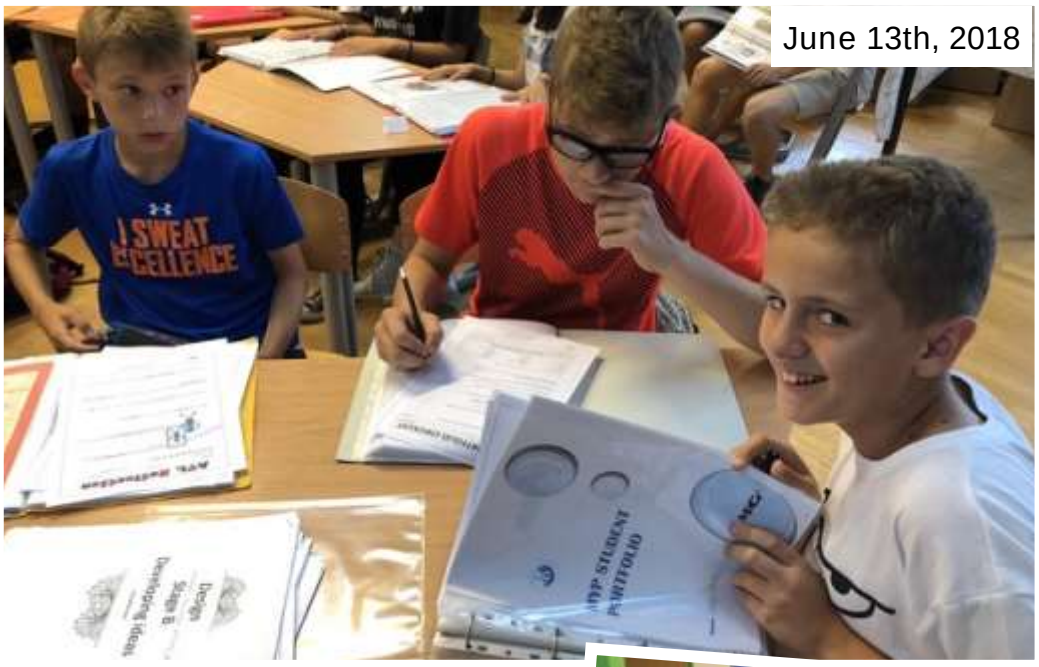


Science Park Oroslavlje

Portfolio Day

Student-Led Conference

June 13th, 2018



On June 13th we organised the MYP Student-Led Conference. Student-Led Conference is an opportunity for every student to show some of the outcomes of his/her hard work during the school year by presenting the MYP Student Portfolios and by talking in details about some of the activities, units of inquiry and skills that have been addressed this school year.

MYP Student Portfolio is not a collection, but a selection of students' work, which demonstrates their skills and accomplishments throughout the school year. The process of creating portfolios is intensive for students and it is also incredibly important to the learning process. Through building a portfolio, students are able to reflect on their year and analyse their strengths and their areas for continued growth. All of this intense work culminates in the Portfolio Day when MYP0 and MYP2 students and MYP1 and MYP3 students paired up to present their portfolio to each other. All the students enjoyed reflecting on their own learning experiences throughout this year.

Portfolio Day

Celebration of Learning

It is good to have an end

to a journey toward,

but it is the journey

that matters in the end!