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NEWSLETTER NO. 3

Dear parents!

Bringing some fresh news about the upcoming period, I am, first and foremost, saying hello to all of you.

We, here at school, are all warmly greeting children from 3.E2, who, due to the quarantine decided by the Regional Public Health Authority in Ostrava, are having online classes. We hope our third graders and Ms Natalia are in perfect health and we are looking forward to seeing them at school soon. **Information about attendance allowance for pupils' parents** who, if need be, are kept in home quarantine too: Provided the quarantine is enforced by KHS (Regional Public Health Authority) OČR (attendance allowance) can be claimed from a general practitioner. The school, however, does not provide quarantine confirmations. If you want to receive attendance allowance during your child's quarantine period, please, after KHS informs you about the enforced quarantine (probably by means of an SMS message), call your paediatrician. Thank you.

At the moment, the quarantine also concerns two bilingual classes (8.E and 9.E). We are saying hello to them as well and hope they take positive attitudes and have negative test results.

We strongly believe that the situation at our school will enable us to teach at school to the highest degree and that our planned events will make our classes interesting and lively as much as they have been up to now. The first project day of our year-round project is over and our collaborative book "Written by Ostrčilka" is already circulating among classes. Its first episode, written by 5.E2, was read out on the Friday school PA broadcast and another class was picked to write the next part. We are all eagerly waiting to read it and we are curious to know how the story will develop and how it will finish at the end of the school year.

Our first stage bilingual pupils attended the second **Assembly** last week. As always, the winners of "Houses", the school competition, were announced at the event. As this year assemblies are focused on one's ability to cooperate and on peer support, our pupils will be engaged in activities developing these skills. Look at our photos showing Halloween cobwebs on the school website! Children have made them together, in respective "Houses". And today's Halloween classes have also been a great success! I appreciate inventive costumes, beautiful and scary at the same time.

The events planned for November are listed in the right-hand margin of this Newsletter. This time many of them are prepared for our second stage pupils too.

Cambridge Exams **Pretesting**, the second stage, bilingual classes: As I informed you in the last Newsletter, we are waiting for the date to be confirmed by Cloverleaf, organizing the exams. Although no specific date has been set yet, the pretests will probably be written in the second week in November. You will be precisely and fully informed by respective class teachers.

Shoe box. Supporting charity is important for us in the Advent season and this year we have decided to continue with the charity project from last year, which turned out to be successful and attractive for pupils, teachers, and other staff members. For more information use the link here or read the next issue of Ostrčilka News.

Thank you for your support and stay safe.

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Future Events:

2nd November – "You are online" - talk about the Internet safety for 7.E and 8.E (due to the current quarantine situation, the event will probably be held online or later)

<u>are dancing</u> <u>flamenco"</u> – 6.E1,6.E2, 9.E, workshops in Spanish classes

23rd November 16.00-17.30 – parent-teacher meetings

<u>22nd – 26th November –</u> <u>Thanksgiving week-</u> activities in English classes and at the Assembly

25th November, 10.20 3rd Assembly - first stage bilingual classes; Children can be wearing the colours of their "House".

7th December

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