

# **NEWSLETTER NO.6**

## 1st February 2024

## Dear parents,

Let me say hello to you at the turn of two halves of the school year. At the same time, let me thank you for your cooperation in the first half of the year and share with you our plans for the coming period.

This week, our pupils' achievements have been recognized in their school report statements. We provide continuous feedback on the learning progress of our pupils, so I believe that the final evaluation was not a surprise and served as encouragement for further work. A lot has been achieved by all of us over the past five months, and this can be best seen in our first-graders. Their progress has been truly remarkable. However, even their older classmates deserve great appreciation and encouragement as we reach the midpoint of the school year.

#### **Upcoming events**

In the second term, we will continue with the year-round project 'Ostrčilka's Got Talent'. At the beginning of February, we will be 'hunting' talents in the school rounds of recitation and singing competitions, and at the beginning of March, we are planning another project day, this time with a focus on visual arts. The Care Centre has organized a bilingual round of Stardance, with the enthusiastic participation of the children. We wish good luck to all those who will continue in the school round. As part of bilingual education, we will celebrate Valentine's Day and on 27<sup>th</sup> February, the fourth- and fifth- graders will attend an English-language performance of Pippi Longstocking. We have also booked an English-language theatre performance for our 2<sup>nd</sup> stage pupils in April. Finally, we wish satisfactory snow conditions for the approaching daily skiing courses and we are pleased to organize another student mobility within the Erasmus+ program, this time to the Spanish town of Tui. We wish the selected 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, as well as their accompanying teachers, an inspiring and enjoyable stay and a safe journey. The dates for all upcoming events can be found in the 'Future Events' column.

#### **Cambridge exams**

This year again, you can register your children, except for the first-graders, for internationally recognized exams, which we traditionally organize in collaboration with Cloverleaf Language School. The exams will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> May at our school, except for the FCE level, which will be held at Cloverleaf Language School on the same dates. All information about the exams and the links for registration on our website **HERE**. For any inquiries, please contact Cloverleaf Language School, and expect instructions from them regarding the exams. Preparation for these exams takes place in the compulsory English clubs (Starters, Movers, Flyers, Extra English), in which all pupils will take pre-tests during March and April. You will be informed of the results. Your children's class teachers or their English teachers will be happy to advise you on the best choice of the CE level.

#### **Open Day**

With more than a month's notice, I want to inform you about the date of this year's Open Day: Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March. Details will be published soon.

Dear parents, I would like to thank you once again for your cooperation. We also appreciate every piece of feedback, suggestions, and your involvement in school activities.

On behalf of the whole bilingual team, Táňa Bahnerová Deputy Headmistress for Bilingual Classes

### **Future Events**

<u>February 5</u> Assembly for 1<sup>st</sup> stage classes

<u>February, week 1</u> information about Cambridge Exams

<u>February 7</u> 2.E1, 2.E2 – swimming lessons (beginning)

<u>February 14</u> Thematic Day: St. Valentine's Day

<u>February 19 - 23</u> 3.E1, 3.E2 –Vaňkův kopec,, skiing course

<u>Febr. 26 - March 1</u> 2.E1, 2.E2 – Skalka, skiing course

<u>Febr. 22 – March 8</u> Erasmus+, Tui (Spain)

<u>March 1</u> Project day 'Ostrčilka's Got Talent' - visual arts, *Assembly* for 1<sup>st</sup> stage classes

<u>February</u> school rounds of recitation and singing competitions

<u>March 5</u> 16.00, parentteacher meetings

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