

# **NEWSLETTER NO.3**

### 31st October 2024

## Dear parents,

I greet you immediately after the autumn holidays. I hope that you and your children enjoyed nice autumn days together and I would like to take this opportunity to share some current information with you.

### <u>Halloween</u>

Today the children are enjoying Halloween activities at school and in the care centre. Some classes have combined these activities with a school "sleepover". On Monday afternoon, 4<sup>th</sup> November, our care centre assistants have also prepared a Halloween afternoon with a lantern parade for the first graders and their parents.

## Project Day "Great Britain Day"

On Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> November, we have prepared a project day, "Great Britain Day", for our first-stage bilingual pupils, which will conclude with a joint Assembly. On this day the children will learn about British culture, traditions and customs in a playful way. All pupils from the first to the fifth grades will be divided into mixed-age groups to work together to complete entertaining and educational tasks.

What to bring: suitable sportswear (according to the weather), a small backpack with a snack and a drink, and a raincoat.

Optionally, children may come dressed in costumes or with small fashion accessories related to British themes.

The project day will take place in Komenského Sady in the morning, followed by a traditional British lunch in the school canteen. Classroom activities after lunch will continue in the same way.

In case of very unfavourable weather, the event will be rescheduled, and you will be informed via Komens the day before.

## **Coffee Mornings**

In the previous Newsletter, I informed you in advance about the upcoming regular Coffee Mornings in the bilingual classes at the 1<sup>st</sup> stage. Today, I can provide information about specific dates well in advance so that you can plan your time for the day. Let me remind you that on this day, you are welcome to spend the first two lessons at school with your children and their teachers. The first lesson will be an observation of a regular class, while the second involves creating something together with your children and informally sharing insights with other parents, the teacher, and the teaching / the care centre assistant over coffee, hence, *Coffee Mornings*. ③

Coffee Mornings – dates for each class:

12<sup>th</sup> December - 1.E1, 1.E2 16<sup>th</sup> December - 3.E1, 3.E2, 5.E 17<sup>th</sup> December - 2.E1, 2.E2 18<sup>th</sup> December - 4.E1, 4.E2

### Ninth graders and entrance exams

Autumn in the ninth grade is typically marked by the question "...what next?". In November, most secondary schools offer open days and there will be a secondary school fair, which our pupils will also attend. We communicate and collaborate more closely with certain grammar schools that offer graded English classes suited to the language level of our graduates. For the fourth time, our school will host a workshop led by students from the Pavel Tigrid Language Grammar School for

# **Upcoming Events:**

November 4
School Photo Day for first graders

November 4 9E1,9E2, Hello Grammar School presentation

<u>November 5</u> Project Day "Great Britain Day"

November 5 6E1, 6E2, 7E, 8E, 9E1, 9E2, educational concert V+W+Jaroslav Ježek (Osvobozené divadlo)

November 7 9E1,9E2 – workshop by students from the P. Tigrid Grammar School

<u>November 26</u> quarterly staff meeting (end of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter)

November 26, 16.00 parent-teacher meetings

November 28
Thanksgiving Day

November 27 MENSA testing second graders (for interested pupils) our ninth graders, and representatives from the Hello Grammar School will also make a brief informational visit.

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December 3

**Christmas market** 

Dear parents, we look forward to seeing you at the November parent-teacher meetings, the Coffee Mornings and our traditional Christmas market – yes, already! It will take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, and you can expect more information soon.

With thanks for your cooperation, trust and support on behalf of the entire bilingual team Táňa Bahnerová Deputy Headmistress for Bilingual Classes