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*Dear readers,*

*Every year we struggle and work hard to make a bow to English with our tiny newspaper. And it is worth it!*

*While doing it in today's lack of time I would rather cancel printing and stop working as an editor but then, every year the same ... when I see it printed ... I'm proud. I'm proud of YOU, of course. You're my little artists, my Englishmen, sportsmen, journalists, playwrights, Cinderellas and poets ...*

*Our sixth number is here, full of your achievements and imagination. Don't hesitate to read it :)*

*Relax and have fun and the most important – be happy :)*



*Your Editor*

# Chinese New Year

FESTIVAL

## CHINESE NEW YEAR

Chinese new year is an important holiday that occurs on the first day of the Chinese calendar. In China it is known as Spring festival. Another name for it is Lunar New Year. It lasts for fifteen days. This holiday is a time to honor the ancestors and deities. People in most of the countries in Asia celebrate it. Some other countries also celebrate it, e. g. America and California. It is celebrated in China towns.



*Dragon dance*

Chinese New Year is one of the biggest holidays. People give money in red envelopes and light some firecrackers. In the evening before the Chinese New Year families gather for dinner. Some families even have a reunion. The dinner includes dishes of meat, seafood, fish and others. It is a public holiday in

most of the countries. A lot of different gifts are exchanged, like sweets, fruit and other smaller things.

Firecrackers are a traditional thing to do on the Chinese New Year. But there were a lot of incidents, so it got banned in some of the areas. Markets have a lot of things for sale including flowers, toys, clothing and even fireworks. Clothes are usually red or bright colour. There are numerous festivals during this holiday. People are used to wear costumes. One of the most commonly used costume is the dragon. Lion is also a pretty popular costume. Two costumes are used in dragon and lion dancing. Traditional greetings are pretty loud. Lanterns are one of the most common ornaments during this holiday.

*Tristan Hudales, Class 8*

## DRAGON DANCES

Dragon dances are performed at New Year to scare away evil spirits. Dragons are of course legendary animals, but they are important to Chinese people, who think that dragons are friendly creatures. They are linked to good luck, long life and wisdom. Chinese Dragons are associated with storm clouds and life-giving rain. They have special powers so they can fly in the air, swim in the sea and walk on land.

According to a legend, the beginning of Chinese New Year started with the fight against a mythical beast called Nian. Nian came on the first day of New Year to eat livestock, crops, and even children. To protect themselves, the villagers put food in front of their doors at the beginning of every year. They believed that after the Nian ate the food they have prepared it wouldn't attack any more people. One day people saw that the Nian was scared away by a little child wearing red.

The villagers then understood that the Nian was afraid of the red colour. Time when the New Year was about to come, the villagers would hang red lanterns and red spring scrolls on windows and doors. People also used firecrackers to frighten away the Nian. From then on, Nian never came to the village again.

*Živa Waldhutter, Class 8*

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# The European day of languages

## THE EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

On the 26th September every year we celebrate the European Day of languages.

Every year we do something about this international known day. We talk about languages and this year we prepared projects on different words in different languages. Many people in our region speak Slovene, Croatian, English, German. But now we have the opportunity to learn something more.

Do you like French? We do.

Bonjour - Hello

ça va ? - How are you?

que - What?

je t'aime - I love you.

étoiles - stars

zdrav- bosanščina

υγυής - grščina

hola- španščina

saluto- italijanščina

bonjour- francoščina

cześć! - poljščina



*The European Day of Languages*

привет!- ruščina



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*Tjaša Rojht, Aljaž Krautič, Class 9*

Saying **hello** in different languages:

Hallo- nemško

Hello- angleško

□□□□□□- tajščina

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# The reading badge 2014

## THE READING BADGE 2014

Like every year, we had a reading badge this year, too. Students who enjoy reading have to read at least five books on their own choice and then they have to tell a summary of the stories to teacher Barbara Waldhütter. All the students who read five or even more books get a diploma at the event which is meant for the end of reading badge. Those students who read a lot of books also get a book from a known writer which we invite on that event.

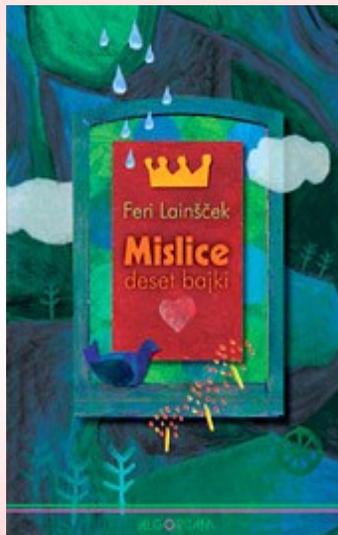
We made the event for the end of reading badge this year, too, on 4<sup>th</sup> April. At the beginning of the day we had creative workshops. We made posters about the writer we invited and about his works. When we finished with our work, we all went to our house of culture and the event started. Our vocal group has sang a song from the writer we invited and two students recited a beautiful love poetry. The invited writer has already come to our house of culture. His name is Feri Lainšček.

*Feri (Franc) Lainšček is a writer, poet and dramatist. He was born on 5<sup>th</sup> October in year 1959, in Dolenci. He writes for adults, teenagers and children. He mostly got famous because of his beautiful novels and prose. Some of his novels are translated into Hungarian,*

*English, German, Croatian and Spanish languages. He started to write poetry in year 1981. He has won a lot of prizes for his works. He is still writing, at the age of 54 and we all believe he will continue with that.*

told us that when he writes for children, he doesn't want to be childish, but realistic. As he said, his inspiration was mostly his wife, children and nature. After that we asked him a few questions about him, his works, prizes, starts of writing and so on. He kindly answered to all of our questions and we found out a lot of new things about him. If you want to know more about his answers, look on the next page.

Sara Fras, Class 8



The cover of Feri Lainšček's book

At first Mr. Lainšček described himself and his works. He told us that his works are always full of love. He also

**Was any writer an inspiration for you?**

I really try not to have any writers as an inspiration, because a writer must be creative and independent.

**Do you still remember what you wrote in your first story?**

I don't really remember, but I think that I wrote something about love or similar subjects.

**In the making of the second and third movies, were you as excited as in the making of the first movie?**

Well, the first movie was very difficult, but I was more excited than in the upcoming movies.

**Do you prefer writing novels, poems or stories?**

I don't really prefer any, I like writing every one of them. Each one of them is special in its own way.

**Would you like to open your own gallery and paint pictures?**

I don't paint since they have invented a camera. Now I take photos.



*Feri Lainšček, a writer, poet, dramatist and scenarist*

**Do you spend a lot of time writing poems?**

For me writing poems is a manner of my life. I don't spend a lot of time writing poems, but sometimes I write

poems all day and all night long.

**when did you start writing poems?**

When I was four years old. When I was in first class of primary my school I wrote a poem for my first love. My poem had two lines. Then I wrote another one in the sixth class, also for one girl. This was my first published poem. You can read it in magazine PIL.

Mr. Lainšček, thank you for your cooperation and we wish you a lot of success in future.

*Tristan Hudales, Karin Najdenik, Lucija Ornik, Tadej Roškarič, Živa Waldhutter, Class*

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# Season poems

## SUMMER

When I look around me  
everything is green,  
every day is sunny,  
what does that mean?

It's my favourite season,  
summer finally came!  
I don't have the reason,  
but I don't feel the same.

I'm on holidays  
and I go swimming,  
I love summer days  
more than anything!

*Sara Fras, Class 8*

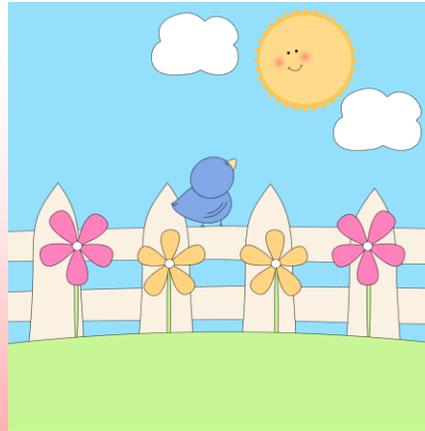
## THE WORLD IN SPRING

Spring is our time, full of love and birds and  
rhymes,  
when only one little flower gives us power and  
when nature is like our imagination.

It's full of shiny sun and it's beautiful ...

In a word, it's green and blue and powerful.

*Živa Waldhutter, Class 8*



## SUMMER

Summer has come  
to make us smile.  
Now we will be very  
happy, but only for a  
while.

Leave your worries  
behind and have fun.  
Sit down under a tree  
or play some sports in  
the sun.

*Tadej Roškarič, Class 8*

# Season poems

## SUMMER

In the summer the sun is shining  
and it's very hot. People are at the seaside.

Children have holidays  
and they are happy, because there's no school.

*Lucija Ornik, Class 8*



## I LOVE SUMMER

Children are playing in water,  
boys are looking at girls  
and my neighbour is having shells in his arms.

Dad is sleeping on a water pillow,  
mum is swimming,  
sister is reading a book  
and brother?

I don't know where he is.

I love summer,  
because it is hot,  
The sun is shining  
and I am brown.

I'm lying on the beach in a bikini.  
People are having holidays or picnics.

They are happy,  
and I ... am happy, too.

I love summer,  
because my heart and everything is hot.

*Karin Najdenik, Class 8*



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# Shakira

## F A M O U S P E O P L E

I'm Tadeja and I'm 14 years old. I live in Jurovski Dol with my family. I've got two sisters: Gabrijela and Blažka. Gabrijela is almost 18 years old and Blažka is 10 years old. My birthday is on 21<sup>st</sup> June. My favourite day is Saturday, because I am not so busy. I train twirling four times a week. I have trainings on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. I also visit music school In Lenart. I'm in the 9<sup>th</sup> class.

I will present a famous person. Her most popular song is Waka Waka. Does anybody know who she is? Yes, this person is Shakira. I've chosen her, because even though she is rich, she helps poor people.

### SHAKIRA

Her full name is Shakira Isabel Mebarak Ripoll. She was born on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1977 in Barranquilla in Columbia. She was born in a poor family. She is the only child of Nidya del Carmen Ripoll Torrado and William Mebarak Chadid. Her mother was a native Colombian and her father was a descent from Lebanon.

### INTERESTING FACTS

She is a singer, a songwriter, a dancer, a record producer, a choreographer and a

model. She speaks six languages: English, Spanish, French, Italian, Portuguese and Arabic. She enjoys playing the drums, the mouth organ and the guitar. She said: I'm a rocker trapped in a pop star's body. She also has a perfume S. Shakira means "thankful" in Arabic.



The perfume S by Shakira

### HOW DID SHE BEGIN?

When Shakira was four, her father took her to a local Middle Eastern restaurant, where Shakira first heard the 'doubek', a traditional drum used in Arabic music and which is a typical instrument for belly dancing. She was impressed with dance and music. She enjoyed singing for schoolmates and teachers, so she likes to be on stage. In the second class she was

rejected from the school choir, because her voice was too strong.

She wrote her first poem *La Rosa De Cristal (The Crystal Rose)* when she was only four years old. At the age of eight, after her older half-brother died in a motorcycle accident, Shakira wrote her first song entitled *Tus gafas oscuras (Your dark glasses)*.



## ALBUMS

1991: *Magia*  
1993: *Peligro*  
1996: *Pies Descalzados*  
1998: *¿Dónde Están Los Ladrones?*  
2001: *Laundry Service*  
2001: *Laundry Service*  
2005: *Fijación Oral*  
2009: *She Wolf*  
2010: *Sale el Sol*

## COOPERATION

She cooperated with Beyonce, Pitbull, Lil Wayne, Usher and Rihanna.

## ABOUT HER SONGS

In her songs she uses Latin and R&B styles, hip hop, rock'n'roll. She wrote *Your dark glasses* for her brother and the song *Beautiful liar* for her mum. Song *Waka Waka* marked FIFA World Cup 2010 - it was the official song.

## FILMOGRAPHY

From 2001 to 2009 she played a role in the movie called *Saturday Night Live*. She also played a role in *Ugly Betty*, in *Awards of Waverly Place* and in *The Voice 2013*. Last year she played as a captain in *Alice's Birthday*.

## AWARDS

In 2011 Shakira got a star on Hollywood Walk of Fame.

She has amassed two Grammys, seven Latin Grammys, 12 Billboard Latin Music Awards and has been nominated for a Golden Globe for her song *Despedida* from the film *Love in the Time of Cholera*.

She is also the highest-selling Colombian artist of all time, and the second most successful female Latin singer, having sold over 60 million albums worldwide.

## THE PERSONAL LIFE

Since 2011 she is in relationship with a Spanish football player Gerard Pique, who plays for FC Barcelona. On 22<sup>nd</sup> January they got a baby. His name is Milano. This little family lives in Barcelona.

## HUMANITARY WORK

### PIES DESCALZOS

In 2003 Shakira established the foundation Pies Descalzados. The Pies Descalzados works to ensure every Columbian child studying. Now they are building new school in Barranquilla, Columbia.



Shakira with her family

Tadeja Grabušnik, Class 9

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# About sports

## EVERYTHING OF A PINCH

### SPORTS EVENTS IN SLOVENIA

Because Slovenia is a small country there aren't many well-known sport events. In our country there are more famous winter events like ski jumping in Planica and Golden Fox.

#### Golden Fox

It is a traditional skiing competition for world Cup for women. This event is organized every year on Pohorje in Maribor. The first competition was 50 years ago. Because of problems with ski trail the competition was in Kranjska Gora six times, including this year. Last year our own competitor Tina Maze was very successful. She came second on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2013 in giant slalom in Maribor and so she got her first small globe and next day she won in slalom.

But this year she fell out just before the end of the ski slope. This year a Swede Frida Hansdotter won for the first time in her life.

#### Ski jumping in Planica

Planica is a cradle of ski jumping. Ski jumping there started in 1934. Over 60 world records have been broken in Plan-

ica. The first one was made in year 1936 by Austrian ski jumper Seppa Bradl. The first flight over 200 metres happened in Planica, too. It was made by Toni Miemenen in 1994. Planica held the world record for the longest flight till 2011. The record was 239 metres and happened in 2005 by Romören.

*Polona Kren, Class 9*

### MY FAVOURITE SPORTSPERSON

My favourite sportsperson is Peter Prevc. He was born on 20<sup>th</sup> September 1992 in Dolenja vas. He is 178 centimetres tall. He weighs 56 kilograms. In 2013 he was declared for the best athlete of the year with Tina Maze. Peter's father was a jumper, too. Peter, his brother and sister follow him. Last year Peter got the nickname 'Pero mišica', because he showed his muscles very often.

In the first single match he won a point for the World Cup. In year 2009 he was accepted in the Slovenian ski team. He became famous when he got two medals in Predazz in Italy, he got silver and bronze medals. Many sportsmen predicted his bright future in ski jumping.

In 2010, he took place at the Winter Olympic games in Vancouver. He was the 7<sup>th</sup> on the normal hill and the 16<sup>th</sup> on the large one.

In the team contest in Obersdorf, in February 2012, the Slovenians celebrated the first victory. Peter's flight was 225.5 m long, but unfortunately he fell and injured his shoulder ligaments. With that accident ended the season 2011/12.

In 2013, he had a surgery of his jaw. The operation was successful.

Peter finished the World Cup season 2013/14 on the second place and won the ski flying title. He won a silver and a bronze medal at the 2014 Winter Olympic Games in Sochi.



*Proud Prevc with his medals*

*Karolina Klobasa, Class 9*

## MY FAVOURITE SPORTSPERSON

My favourite sportsperson is Tina Maze.

She was born in Slovenj Gradec in year 1983. When she was born they lived in Prevalje. When she was 1 year old her family moved to Črna na Koroškem. There she visited kindergarten and primary school. When she was 3 years old she learnt skiing, then she went to skiing club Črna na Koroškem.

She made her World Cup debut at the age of 15 in January 1999. She competed in the 2001 World Championships at age of 17. She took part in the 2002 Winter Olympics the following year where she competed and finished 12th in giant slalom. She started her career as a giant slalom specialist, but later she expanded and competed in all disciplines.

In 2003 she won her first race in the Alpine Skiing World Cup in giant slalom in Sölden, Austria. She finished the 2003 as 38th in the overall standing with 190 points all in giant slalom. In 2004 she didn't win any races and finished the 2004 as the 33rd in the overall standings with 244 points.

In year 2008 she and Andrea Massi made the so called team to aMAZE.

In her career she managed to win in the World Cup 22 times.

She is the best skier in the world.

She is known for her round off performing when she is successful.



*Barbara Gragar, Class 9*

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# Our school trip

## OUR SCHOOL TRIP

One weekend in September 2013 I was with my schoolmates on our final trip. We were having a great time. We went to Piran for two days.

On Saturday at six o'clock a.m. we went to Maribor by bus. Then we went to Koper



*A photo in front of the train*

by train. We were driving for five hours, but the time passed very quickly.

In Piran it was very hot, a contrast to a very cold morning in Jurovski Dol, where it was 15 degrees Celsius and we were wearing warm clothes. In Piran it was around 30 degrees Celsius. So when we came to our rooms where we spent the night we first change clothes. At half

past one the boat "Solinarka" was waiting for us. That boat drove us to salt-ern. There one guy told us how people in the past were making salt. We could taste salt which was unrefined. It was white but it was saltier than our kitchen salt.



*A saltern in Secovlje*

When we came back to Piran we went swimming in the sea. It was very hot so we didn't mind cold water. In the evening we went to the town Piran. There we went for a walk, we had a drink and had much fun. It was a great evening. When we came back we were watching a basketball match. We were cheering for our team and we were celebrating at the end because Slovenia won.

Then we went to bed. The following day

we had to wake up early, because we had to clean and tidy our rooms till nine o'clock. When we finished our work we put our suitcases into the teacher's room. Then we went to the aquarium where we saw animals in the sea. I liked a shark. It was in a pool with other fish.



*In aquarium ...*

Then we went swimming again. We were swimming for a short time, because we had to be at the train station some minutes before three o'clock p.m.

If I could, I would repeat that weekend because it was so great.

*(Photos by teacher Ana Šuster-Kraner)*

*Polona Kren, Class 9*

# The best day of my life

The best day of my life was when I got a dog. I didn't know that I will get a dog. I got her on my birthday, when I was ten years old.

My mum, sister and dad went to visit our relatives. I didn't go with them because I was on holidays at my grandma and grandpa. When I came home from grandma and grandpa I helped mum to prepare some food and tables for my birthday. Dad and my sister Nika went to my aunt, because she baked a cake. In the evening I played with my cousins and then my parents said that in the courtyard there is a present for me. I went outside and I saw a puppy.

*Lucija Ornik, Class 8*

I had a lot of best days and bad days. My best days were: when I got my first cousin (I was in 3th class and in school when she was born.),...

I will present my best day. I was short and 7 years old. In the morning I went to school and my grandmother was very

nervous, because her daughter Suzana (my dad's sister), went to hospital to give birth a to a child. We had lessons and then in the middle of a Slovene lesson teacher called me out of the class. I was surprised. I followed the teacher to cloakroom. There she told me that I got a cousin. Her name was Tjaša. I went back to my class very happy, because I got the first cousin.

*Karin Najdenik, Class 8*

It was a normal Saturday morning. There wasn't anything special and I didn't know that it will be a nice day. We decided to go to my cousin in Vitomarci. So we went there after lunch. We were driving about half an hour and then we arrived. There were some new things because we weren't there for a while. So my cousin showed us all the new things and then we sat together and talked. That wasn't very interesting. But then my cousin said that they have a lot of cats so they can give us one. We agreed. They gave us a grey-white cat. We named it Miki. First I wasn't really excited

because I was a bit younger. After a while we went home. Our cat didn't like the drive so we had to keep him in a cage. When we arrived home he was very afraid. He went to the basement and hid under a table. He didn't want to come out of it. I can't remember when he went out of the basement. First I didn't like our pet a lot, but after a few weeks or months I liked him very much. Now he is dead and we don't know how. He just didn't return home this winter. We didn't see him for months.

*Tadej Roškarič, Class 8*

# My room

## MY ROOM

The bag is next to the table. The window is opposite the door. The books are on the desk. The chair is in front of the desk. The bag is between the wardrobe and the desk. The bed is in front of the bookshelf. My old teddy bear is on my bed. The rug is next to the bed. The umbrella is on the chair. The radio is on the desk. The picture of my family is on the desk. The carpet is under the rug.

*Karmen Breznik, Class 6*



*My room (drawn by Karmen Breznik)*

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## FRIENDSHIP

I am going to write about friendship. I have many friends, but I always ask myself if they are the real ones. I don't trust people very easily because I think that everyone can't keep a secret. So I have this one best friend who I spend most of my time with. Her name is Katarina, she is from Benedikt. She is very funny and because she is not from my village I don't see her every week or every two weeks, but I see her once a month. We have made a plan to see each other once a month. It's not easy, because she is the same age as I am and because we are both in the 9<sup>th</sup> class, we have to study really hard. But we talk every day on the phone. And every day I tell her something new. I trust her with every single thing. We don't fight a lot, but when we do, we're mad at each other for five seconds because we have important things to talk about. We solve problems very easily, we say the magic word: "I am sorry!" So, we don't fight a lot. We have more important things to do than fighting.

My opinion on what makes a good friend-

ship is that through life you'll get to know who real friends are, good friendship is when you can tell a person everything, you trust that person and if you don't talk, you have a big hole in your heart because you don't talk to that person. So you have to find time for your friends, because they are going to be with you your whole life. I think that you should never ignore your friends. You have to be always there for her/him if she/he needs something, you have to give him/her a good advice. And if you try hard enough, you'll stay friends forever.



*Friends give us the courage to lift the blinds on our hearts, to open up and show what we generally keep hidden from the rest of the world.*

*A true friendship*

*Tjaša Rojht, Class 9*

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# Giant Panda

## GIANT PANDA

My favourite animals are Giant Pandas. They live in forests in Asia. Pandas are mammals - this means that babies drink mother's milk and that they are born alive. Pandas are rare animals. They are beautiful and cute. They aren't dangerous, but they can attack you. We can see them in zoos or in the wild.



*Panda in the zoo*

Giant Pandas are big animals. They have got a big white head with black ears and small eyes, a big black nose and a big mouth with sharp teeth. Pandas have got four legs and big paws. Their fur

protects them from the cold and wetness. Their measures are about 160kg and they are about 150cm tall. Pandas have got six fingers - they need them to eat bamboos.



*Giant panda eating*

They live for 30 years in the wild. Giant Pandas can give birth from one to two babies.



*Panda with its babies*

Pandas have got a very special diet, because they eat bamboo, leaves, roots, grass, insects and fruit.

# Giant Panda

They drink mother's milk and water. They eat about 17 hours every day. They eat from 15 to 30 kg bamboo leaves in one day.

They sleep for six hours at night and during the day, too. Pandas can run very fast, they can also climb a tree. They look for food in the morning or in the evening.

People can even produce energy with pandas' droppings. Pandas can smell and hear very well. They can even jump. Pandas are very friendly and cute. They are fast, heavy, strong, funny and peaceful. They are very special animals. Pandas are protected species. I like them very much.

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*Giant panda climbing a tree*



*A cute panda cub*

*Gregor Sulcer, Class 7*

# Our crisis centre

## OUR CRISIS CENTRE

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I can see a lot of teenagers in our school struggling because they have no one to talk to in the class. Maybe they need help because they don't know something about their homework, or they just need someone to talk to. But there is no one. And maybe you should take a look around yourself and you will see a lot of unhappy people. Ignoring people or students is really hard, because they feel like they are alone and they are lonely. If you step to him and ask him/her what he/she needs, it would be nice, and a person would appreciate it.

The next thing is blackmailing. I didn't see a lot of people here in this school blackmailing someone, but I am just



warning you about that. You should never blackmail people. That's cruel in some ways. Not for money, not for food, not for anything. You can hurt a person mentally. Teachers will notice that. So do not do that.

Things that most of teenagers struggle with are grades. A lot of students from 9<sup>th</sup> class are getting ready for high school, and not just they but also their parents want the best for them.

Some students are afraid to tell parents about bad marks. So if this is one of



*A true talk to adults can solve our problems.*

We were all once the same age as you are now. And we want to be here for you in order to 'make' school easier. You should tell that in your class, you should talk to your schoolmates, teachers, counsellors, to somebody that you feel comfortable talking to.

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### New vocab:

to blackmail - izsiljevati, prisiliti  
koga v kaj

*Tjaša Rojht, Class 9*

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## DEAR PRESIDENTS OF THE WORLD!

Things that are happening to our world are shameful and unacceptable. You, I and all other 7 billion people can be ashamed. I can't believe how our atmosphere is changing. There is no spring and autumn anymore. There is just a hot and stormy summer and on the other hand a cold, freezing winter. That's not normal, Arctic and Antarctic melt, well the ice melts. It's all our fault. We have built those big factories without any protection of gasses that are getting in our air. Because of that the ozone depletion is getting bigger and the ultraviolet rays are dangerous for the nature. We are not only dangerous for the nature, we are in danger ourselves, we breathe different poisons. The plants die, because there is too much gas in the air. We all know that the plants are very important things in our lives, they give us oxygen; without it there would be no life on Earth. I'm concerned about animals. Have you seen how many animals have already been ex-

tinct? If we don't protect the species that are in danger, they will become extinct, too. There are only 1.7 million of species in the world, but there are 80 million species in the world that we don't know. And if we do not try to fix the ecology problem, there will be a plenty of animals that will die before we realize this is the problem. The fuels, e. g. oil is spilled all over the seas, and fish die.



*Oil spill in the sea*

There is no balance in our nature because of disasters like this. Yes, I

still think we can change that, not as much as we could many years ago but we can improve things. I have got some suggestions: Go to work with your bike, turn the electricity down and go out and play with your animals, plant as many plants as you can, go hiking and whatever you bring with you in the mountains, bring it back and recycle it. Be kind to people, help them if you can. If you have to cut down the tree, plant a new one.

So presidents, I can't do that on my own, I can't warn the whole world, but you can! Please help us to save our environment.

Yours faithfully, Tjaša Rojht

*Tjaša Rojht, Class 9*

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# Mongolia

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Mongolia is a large country in the middle Asia. It isn't very populated. It is 1.600.000 km<sup>2</sup> large. Mongolia has got 2.000 inhabitants, that is like in Slovenia. In the north it borders with Russia. In the south and east with China and in the west of Mongolia there is Kazakhstan. They speak Mongolian and Chinese language. 1.000.000 people live in cities. Temperatures sometimes rise to +40 or fall to -30°C. In Mongolia we can find the desert Gobi or mountains Altai. The highest mountain with 4374 metres is Hujten. Fields take 1 percent of all ground. In Mongolia there are more than 25.000.000 animals. A half of these are sheep. There is also a big lake with 3370m<sup>2</sup>.

In 13th century Mongolia was led by Genghis Khan and his sons.



*Genghis Khan*

They built a very big and strong empire. All war strategies were based on horses backs. They used bows a lot.

A typical drink in Mongolia is green tea with salt and milk. They drink airak a lot, too. It is a very strong alcoholic drink. People in the country live a nomadic life. Their homes are like tents. They are called 'ger', which means 'home' in Arabic.



*Mongolian horsemen riding past a row of traditional felt tents, which are called 'yurt' by Americans.*

The traditional Mongolian animal is a horse. A Mongolian horse is little

smaller and it is not as fast as ours. Horses from Mongolia aren't used to eat from human hand. Only 10 percents of roads are asphalted. In Mongolia we can find a bent bridge built from wood. Children start riding horses when they learn to walk.

There is a dinosaur egg in Mongolia. We can find dinosaur bones in desert Gobi.



*The first discovery of dinosaur eggs was in Mongolia.*

I want to go to Mongolia because it is very unexplored. You can see many interesting things there. If I was older I would join Naadam festival. There you can match in horse riding, archery or wrestling. I suggest you to visit Mongolia and guarantee you won't be disappointed.



*Wrestling at the Naadam festival*



*Archery at the Naadam festival*

*Simon Zemljč, Class 8*

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# Eco school

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What is project Eco-parcel?

Project Eco-parcel is designed to make people aware of economy importance. This includes arranging, collecting, sorting and depositing disposal cardboard package for milk and juice.

With a responsible conduct KEMS enables further manufacturing of package, reduces the amount of rubbish on landfill and reduces burdens of environment and nature.

Project Eco-parcel already runs for eight years; it is cooperated by children from kindergarten, students, pupils and families. Project is divided into two parts: a compulsory and a non-compulsory one.

In this year, our school cooperated in this project, too. We were collecting KEMS (cartons for milk and juice). We also cooperated in a prize competition.

We were talking about protecting nature, that's why students from the seventh class made a decision to join the competition.

The students from seventh to ninth class from the fourth category chose a theme:

preparation for awarness action about doing with KEMS for the local community and families.



*The seventh class in action*



*Done :)*

At first we were talking about packaging: what is KEMS, where do we put it, why do we separate rubbish, how do we separate it. We also separated cartons of milk and juice in our school.

Then we split into groups. We drew some sketches that served us for the preparation of an action in which we wanted to make people aware. Then we made some posters and a comic. We took many photos and sent a message.



When we finished our work we made an exhibition in our school canteen.

On Friday, 14th March 2014 we were invited to Celje, where a fair called Altered took place. There was also a declaration and a ceremony for the most creative products. Six students went to the declaration with our teacher mentor Miss Kolarič.

The students of the 7th class won in their category. Our prize was a token from a sports store called Hervis. We will use it for purchasing sport balls for our gym. We also received some tokens from Mladinska knjiga that we used for purchasing books for our school library. A part of the prize is also a package of paper products that are made from recycled KEMS.



*We are the champions :)*

*(Photos: a school archive)*

*Written by Majda Kolarič, translated by Sara Fras, Karin Najdenik, Lucija Ornik, Tadej Roškarič, and Živa Waldhutter, Class 8*

# E-twinning

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We cooperated in three short e-twinning projects this year. They were titled:

Exchanging Christmas cards

Easter

Mother's day

Exchanging Christmas cards

In this project we cooperated with many schools: French, Polish, Romanian, Turkish and two Italian schools. We made Christmas cards from old paper and ribbons and exchanged them with other schools, so we either sent them by ordinary post or took photos of these cards and put them on a twinspace.



Christmas cards

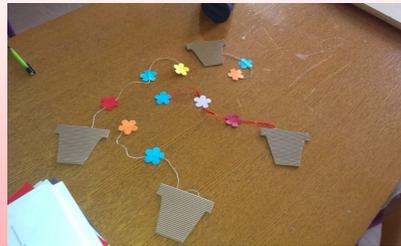


The aim of the project was to get to know other countries' Christmas traditions.

Mother's day

We cooperated with Slovakian and Polish school in this project. The aim of it was to get to know the ethics of the family, to express love and thanks of children to their mothers, to support connection with their mothers.

First we made a presentation of our school and pupils who cooperated. Later we had a conversation about our mums, what they mean to us ... Children made portraits of their mothers and described them, too. In the end they made some cards for Mother's day and presents for mums.



Cards for Mother's day

Photos of children and their crafts were then presented on twinspace.



Mums' portraits out of torn paper



Girls stitching flowers

One of our works of literature :)

## MOTHER'S DAY

*Our mums are like butterflies  
and they always fly with us  
in the sky.*

*We are their children,  
they love us like a rainbow,  
with no black, but our mums' eyes  
are wet, because we walk  
along the street and this street  
is so sweet and so far away.*

*I run and run along this sweet street  
to hug my mum.*

*My mum is always near me.  
When I am on the hill or at the school  
I just look on the desk and I see you,  
and you ask me why I'm not always  
with you? I tell you I  
I think about you every day,  
when I'm near you or not..*

*Gašper Mohorko, Class 6*

## EASTER

We cooperated with a primary school from Slovakia in this project. We learnt some new words in Slovakian language connected to Easter. Then we made some Easter cards and sent them to a primary school called Základná škola s materskou školou Udiča from Slovakia.



*Easter cards workshop*

Pupils who cooperated in these projects:



*Pupils from Class 5*



*Pupils from Class 6*

The exhibition of our works was held on our last school celebration in June.

*by Ed*

# Rainbow bread with leaves and blood

## E RAINBOW BREAD WITH LEAVES AND BLOOD

### I Ingredients:

- M Rainbow colours
- M Blood
- U Leaves
- Y Flour

### Y Instructions:

If you are a vampire, it's not hard to find blood. When it rains and the rainbow shows up\*, you must take a bottom and scoop\* the rainbow. Leaves can be found on a tree.

Pour rainbow colours, a little blood and some flour into a bowl.

Mix the ingredients with a spoon to get a mixture.

Pour the mixture in a tray and bake it for 30 minutes in an oven.

Then take the bread out.

Put it on cold place for 10 minutes.

Cut the bread and put the pieces on leaves and cover them with blood.

It is very delicious!



*Rainbow bread with Leaves and blood*

Enjoy it!

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### New vocab:

to display-prikazati se

to scoop- zajeti

# Pancakes

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## PANCAKES

It's a simple recipe to prepare delicious pancakes! ;-)

Ingredients (What you need):

-flour

-milk

-eggs

-vanilla

-oil

Instructions (How to prepare it):

First you need a bowl and a spoon.

Put some flour, milk, eggs and vanilla into a bowl.

Then mix the ingredients together with a spoon.

Take a frying pan.

Pour the oil into a frying pan, but not too much; a half of a table spoon will due.

Heat the oil.

Then pour a big spoon of this mixture into the frying pan.

Wait for two or three minutes and then turn over the pancake and fry it again for two or three minutes on the other side.

Now the pancake is ready. Cover the pancake with some cream or Nutella.

Enjoy it!



*Delicious pancakes*

*Anja Krautič, Class 7*

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# Šport špas mascots

**CRAFTS** Here is the DIY craft we gave to all participants on Šport špas sports event which took place on 27th May 2014 in Jurovski Dol and it was organized by our sport teacher Cvetka Škrlec. Souvenirs were made by our pupils. Teacher mentors were Milena Kokol, Cvetka Škrlec, Ana Šuster-Kraner, Aleksandra Verbošt, and Aleksandra Žnuderl.

What you need for this craft:

- one styrofoam egg
- acrylic yellow colour
- scissors
- a dressed up wire
- glue
- two wiggly eyes
- colourful wool
- a red pen
- a paintbrush
- a plastic hanger
- an elastic thread



Instructions:

1. Take a styrofoam egg and paint it with yellow colour. Wait until it's dry.

2. Take some wool and stick it on the top of the egg (so you'll make a hair-do).

3. Stick a plastic hanger somewhere in the middle of the hair.

4. Take two wiggly eyes and put them where they belong to be, so you'll start doing a face.

5. Draw a mouth with a red pen.

6. Cut a dressed up wire and make 4 around 3cm long pieces.

7. Stitch these 4 pieces in the egg so it will have arms and legs.



8. Tie a loop from an elastic thread on the plastic hanger.

9. Enjoy playing with 'Mr/Ms Yoyo Egg'.



*(Photos by school archive)*

*Sara Fras, Lucija Ornik, Živa Waldhutter,  
Karin Najdenik,*

*Class 8*

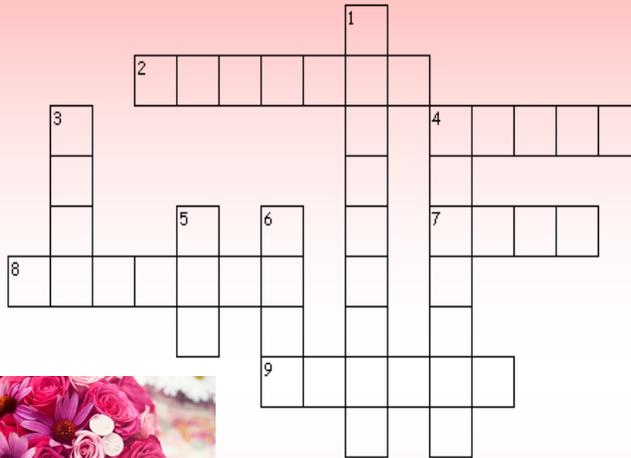
# Crossword

### Across:

- For Mother's Day you can buy or pick a bouquet of \_\_\_\_\_ for your mother.
- We celebrate Mother's Day in \_\_\_\_\_ .
- To surprise your mother you can \_\_\_\_\_ your room.
- All the mothers like to smell nicely, so you can buy a good-smelling \_\_\_\_\_ to your mother.
- You can bake some tasteful \_\_\_\_\_ if your mother likes to eat it.

### Down:

- For the good morning you can make your mother a \_\_\_\_\_ with some healthy food.
- On Mother's Day it's nice to tell your mother that you \_\_\_\_\_ her and you can give her a (5. Down) \_\_\_\_\_ .
- The day we talk about is celebrated for \_\_\_\_\_ .
- If you don't like buying things and preparing food, then you can simply \_\_\_\_\_ your mother with house work.



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Sara Fräs, Class 8

# Crossword

Do the crossword on *Bees*.

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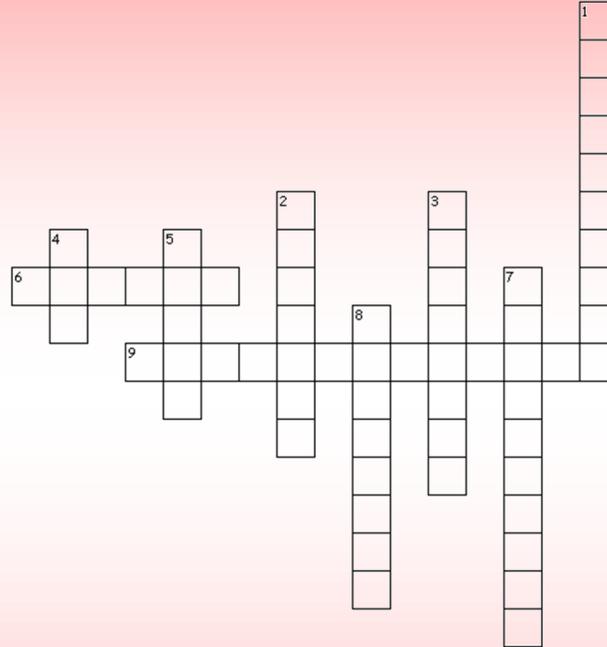
- 6. color of the bees
- 9. painted plank on a bee house

Down:

- 1. breeding bees, having a bee house
- 2. a natural home for bees
- 3. the lead bee in the hive
- 4. an animal that lives in a bee hive
- 5. a product that bees produce
- 7. another name for breeding bees
- 8. a house where people breed bees



*Bees*



*Tristan Hudales, Class 8*

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## Wo leben sie?

Delphine sind Säugetiere. Sie leben in dem Zoo und im warmen Meer.

## Wie sehen sie aus?

Delphine sind grau. Sie sind von 2 bis 4 Meter lang und sie wiegen bis 300 Kilogramm. Sie haben eine Flosse, zwei Augen, zwei Flipper und eine Fluke. Im Mund haben sie von 50 bis 120 scharfe Zähne. Sie atmen mit Lungen.

## Was essen und trinken sie?

Sie essen Calamari, Fisch und Tintenfisch. Sie essen auch Muscheln, sie finden sie auf dem Meeresgrund. Sie suchen sie mit dem Schnabel. Delphine trinken kein Meerwasser, weil es tödlich ist. Sie bekommen Wasser von Fisch.

## Wo und wie suchen sie Nahrung?

Sie suchen die Nahrung im Meer, aber im Zoo bekommen sie die Nahrung von dem Zoowärter.

## Was können und was können sie nicht machen?

Delphine können mit anderen Delphine spielen, sie können springen, sinken,

schwimmen. Sie schwimmen in Gruppen mit bis zu 25 Delphinen. Sie können von drei bis vier Minuten unter Wasser bleiben. Sie können nicht klettern und fliegen.

## Wie lange leben sie?

Delphine im Zoo leben bis 30 Jahre. In der Natur können sie das Alter von über 50 Jahren erreichen.



*Ein Delfin kann hoch springen.*

*Lucija Ornik, 8. Klasse*

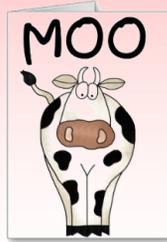
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# Lieder

## OUR GERMAN FRIENDS

Die Kuh macht muuuuuu,  
der Goldfisch macht blub, blub,  
und ich habe keinen Hut,  
aber ich wünsche mir einen Hund.



*Luka Gert und Anja Krautič, 7. Klasse*

Ich lebe in Berlin,  
aber ich mag Wien.  
Mein Freund kommt aus Norwegen,  
dort gibt es viel Regen.



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## MEIN HOBBY

Mein Hobby ist Harmonika zu spielen. Ich kann ziemlich gut Harmonika spielen, aber ich möchte es noch verbessern. Für mein Hobby brauche ich eine Harmonika, die Noten und viel Willen. Meine Harmonika ist rot, weiß und schwarz. Ich spiele die Harmonika jeden Tag, normalerweise einmal, manchmal zweimal oder dreimal. Ich spiele zu Hause und in der Musikschule. Ich spiele allein oder mit meinem Bruder Alen.

*Kristjan Reisman, 8. Klasse*

## URLAUB

Leute fahren gern in Urlaub. Es gibt unendliche Möglichkeiten. Manche fahren ins Gebirge, andere ans Meer und so weiter. Jeder hat einen anderen Geschmack für solche Sachen.

Die Leute mögen Urlaub, weil sie sich entspannen können. Das ist einfach toll. Aber andere haben aber auch Unglück. Zum Beispiel ein Autounfall. Manchmal ist das Wetter schlecht. Und meistens in dieser Zeit ist Urlaub einfach zu teuer.

Viele Destinationen sind in verschiedenen Jahreszeiten berühmt. Man fährt im Sommer ans Meer, im Winter Ski fahren, in die Berge...

Die Leute fliegen auch in berühmte Länder - wie nach Frankreich, in die USA..., damit sie weltberühmte Sehenswürdigkeiten sehen können.

Man fliegt nach New York um die Freiheitsstatue zu sehen, man fährt nach Paris um den Eiffelturm zu sehen. Viele Leute fahren ans Meer. Meistens ist das die Adria, der Bodensee, die Ostsee...



Manche mögen surfen und fliegen auf eine Insel, wie Hawaii, oder an die Marianen, Tahiti ...

Man kann einfach nicht über alle Destinationen schreiben, weil die Leute fast überall in Urlaub fahren können.



Also es ist eure Entscheidung, wohin ihr in Urlaub fährt oder fliegt. Ich wünsche euch viel Spaß auf euren nächsten Urlaub.

*Tadej Roškarič, 8. Klasse*

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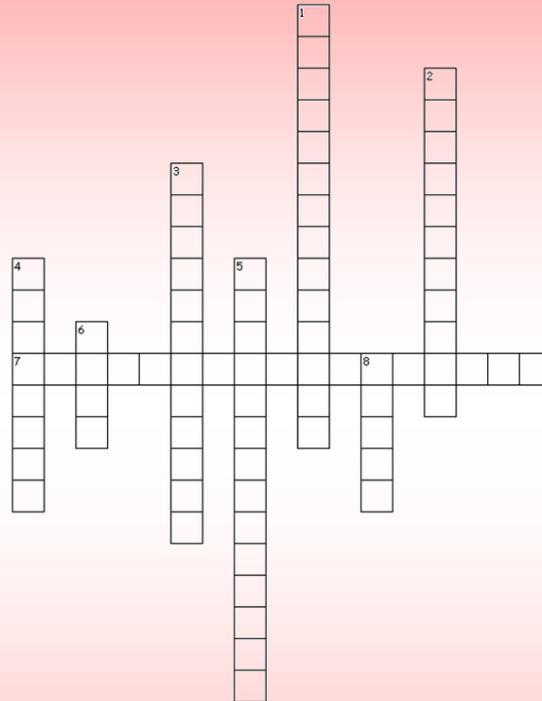
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