



KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2018



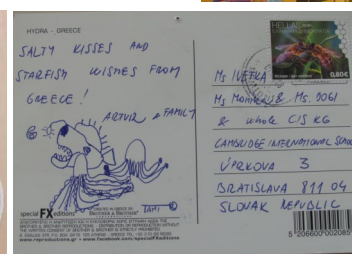
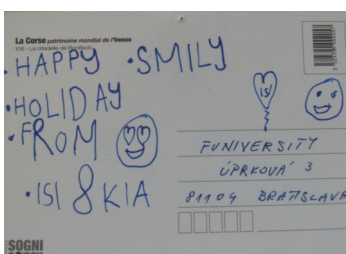
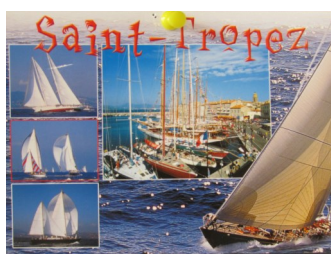
Is it possible that the first day of the new school year is behind us already? Oh my, this summer did fly by! We were lucky to enjoy many warm days full of sunshine, we played lots of outdoor games, and had amazing water showers almost every day! It was great for all of us to get some relax and enjoy less strict schedule. Let us once again guide you through all fun and joy we had in this summer, to bring back all good memories and experiences before we are fully engaged into the new school year again.

OUR SUMMER PROJECT...

GULLIVER'S TRAVELS

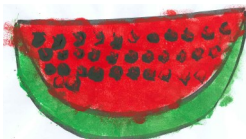


Again this year, beautiful postcards from various continents and countries, of many shapes and sizes have been decorating our classrooms and halls this summer! Even on our holidays, we think about our kindergarten friends and send them lovely greetings from the places we have visited during our travels.



WE'VE BEEN BUSY WITH...

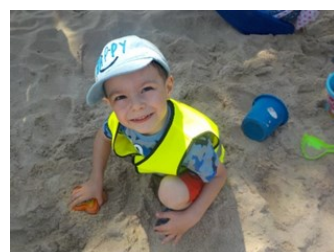
ENJOYING SUMMER ACTIVITIES



SUMMER BARBECUE

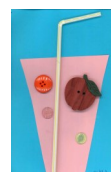
There is no better way starting summer holidays than having one of the most typical summer activities – barbecue.

Luckily, the weather was great that day, so we could add some water fun to it as well! Teachers got some funny and watery centres ready for that day, just to make us fully entertained. Splash, splash, splash... We were running and laughing with joy all around the garden. While we had fun, our chefs were very kind to look after the grill and the yummy food for us. We really enjoyed having some hotdogs, grilled cheese and vegetables. At the end of the day we all were very wet, full (both with food and experiences ☺), and happy.



TRIP TO THE BEACH

Let's go to the beach! Yeeaaah! Wait, in Bratislava? Of course! Hidden in the park, next to the Danube river, under the UFO observation tower... there we found this magical place which gave us the real holiday feeling. Lots of sand to play around, building sand castles and roads for cars or playing tag games! Have you ever tried to play a chasing game on the beach? Well, it was not easy at all and we could see some funny falls of children and teachers as well. It means – mission accomplished – because we went there to enjoy all typical summer activities and we did!





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TRIP TO ŽELEZNÁ STUDNIČKA

Another very typical summer activity is camping in the forest. Our kids got the opportunity to go for the trip to Železná Studnička where we experienced a little camping time in the woods. First of all, kids had the chance to enjoy fresh air and observe nice nature – huge trees, bugs, and birds. Some of them were brave enough to go on nature trail, to follow the footprints of “wild animals”. They learned new things about fauna and flora in our forests. Another group of kids was creative and used natural materials, such as dried barks, sticks and big leaves to build floating boats. We had a race on the stream, of course! We had so much fun on the meadow. We finished our little adventure on the playground, where we climbed up and down the spiderweb and wooden monkey bars. It was really difficult to take our kids back to the kindergarten. ☺



SCAVENGER HUNT

Hand in hand, the kids walked together outside of the kindergarten in Mlynská Dolina to look for interesting things in the surroundings and to complete the Scavenger Hunt assignments: find a dog and take a picture, find which buses leave from the nearest bus stop, make friends with a stranger, ask for their name and take a picture. Kids were not afraid to think out of the box and get out of their comfort zone. They even saved our “kitchen lady” Katka by helping her with her (staged) injury. What a brave bunch of kids! Smart and fearless!

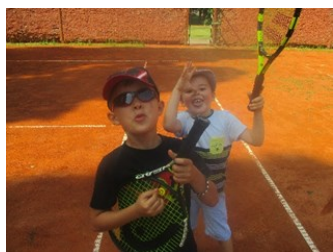


CLASS PROJECTS...

Where do you usually camp and build tents? Yes, in the camping site! Our **Bees** and **Beetles**, however, tried to camp in the... classroom! And it worked very well. They showed extreme creativity in using chairs, pillows, blankets, soft blocks, parachute, and other “building material” to build the most amazing tent of all times. The tent was very cozy, and the kids loved being inside, laying down and having a rest. Who said camping is only for outdoors?



SUMMER TENNIS COURSE...



One of the reasons we keep dreaming about summer time even in the cold winter is our annual Tennis Course. It is great opportunity to spend plenty of time outdoors, playing games with our friends, and once again meet our great instructors. As usual, the goal of the course was once again a proper coordination, development of prediction and reflexes, basics of tennis training. We have focused on the development of body coordination and proper body moving. What better way to train such skills than via plenty of fun games and running activities? We even got to some more serious business... the kids were taught how to hold a tennis racket properly and they tried proper tennis strokes. The training followed well-thought plan – we started with warm up in funny way (yeah, lots of running again ☺), followed with main activity where kids learned the tennis skills and,

of course, final part in form of stretching and calming down. But guess what was the most important – both for us and the kids? If you guessed feeling happy and entertained and enjoying time with friends, then you were absolutely right!



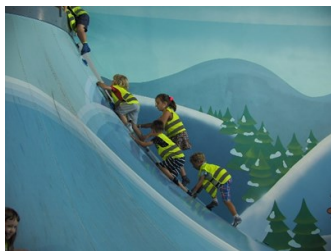


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WE'VE BEEN BUSY WITH... SPENDING TIME WITH OUR FRIENDS



KIDS HOUSE

There is no child who does not like indoor playgrounds. All our children were very excited about visiting the Kids House. No words can describe how much fun we had. Where to start was decision we had to make. First, we tried all the slides in the section for small kids. The area was full of balls and building blocks as well. Everybody found something to play with. Jumping into the ball pool was the most popular choice. After some time, we switched it for trampolines. Even some teachers tried their luck. There was also a huge labyrinth in there which offers climbing, jumping, sliding and many other activities. Luckily, we could split into small groups so we could really enjoy and feel safe at the same time. The most successful trips are always those full of fun and laughter and Kids House was exactly like that.



FRIENDSHIP ADVENTUROUS DAY

On the Friendship Adventurous Day, the garden in Mlynska Dolina turned into a magical fairyland and the kids into brave treasure hunters in the most amazing costumes! Our Bees, Beetles, Butterflies and Ladybugs turned into three mixed enthusiastic teams led by a team leader teacher. Bigger kids were helping the little ones, everybody was cheering each other up while completing the tasks in the checkpoints and the team spirit was strengthened when the kids successfully collected stickers on the treasure map. Teachers as the team leaders were very proud of their team members – they really proved they fully deserved to find the treasure and the medal for “No. 1 Friends”. Kids were very proud of themselves, too and with big smiles, they enjoyed munching the water melons after the adventurous mission. Let's live the friendships! So good to know we are all good friends in our kindergarten.



WE SPY... WHAT MAKES YOU HAPPY?



Klárka: Mňa teší, že príde mama ale mňa ešte teší, že mám Terezinku a ruky. Ešte sa ma teší, že mám aj tata, lebo tato je taká guľatá hlava.



Saška (Beavers): When I see fluffy bunnies.



Peťko (Zebras): When I play with Luky silly football.

Mia (Seals): When is sunshine and sweets.



Lilly: Vtedy keď máme doma zajačika.

Jamie (Donkeys): When I'm going home after school because I'm going to see my mummie.

Milko (Koalas): Playing on PlayStation.

Markétka (Turtles): Butterflies.



CLASS PROJECTS...



The **Bees** and **Beetles** laced beautiful friendship bracelets for each other to strengthen the team and friendship spirit within the class. Each child chose a friend's name out from a hat and laced the bracelet for him/her from a nice colorful selection

of beads. In our final hand-over activity, each child learned the polite and useful phrases which we say when we are giving a gift to our friends and dear ones. And kids were proudly showing their bracelets to mummies and daddies when it was time to go home.

It started one summer day when we couldn't take the heat anymore... We found out the coldest place in our KG was in our sauna ☺. Honestly! And as we were enjoying the nice cool-down time, Ms Vava told us a story - about two friends who were not friends anymore... Since we are taught to be friends with everyone and solve all our small quarrels, we decided to help two buddies to also overcome difficulties in their relationship. And so... Short story turned into a week-long project when we were discovering what being a true friend means. The adventure took us all around our kindergarten, garden, and even to Horský Park. But now we know, that real friends are nice to each other, are helpful, make each other laugh. Can you guess what are other signs of the friendship?





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WE'VE BEEN BUSY WITH... ANIMAL FRIENDS

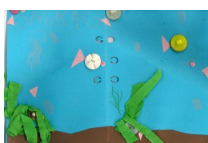


PET DAY

Kids love animals so it's not surprising that many of them have a pet friend at home. Having a pet can be lots of fun but in the same time, our four-legged friends can be sometimes more than a handful. They rely on us and need to be constantly taken care of. Do you think that's too hard? Well, not for our kids ☺. They brought their pets to the kindergarten and told us everything they do to look after them. We found out how they feed them, take them for a walk, clean after them, teach them tricks, but most importantly how they play with them. How much truth is there, only them and their pets know... and also their parents ☺.



WE SPY... WOULD YOU RATHER BE A DOG OR A CAT?



Lukáš: Psíkom. Lebo sa mi lúbia psy. Lebo psík je krajší. Mne sa lúbia najviacjš psíkovia.



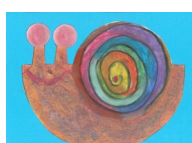
Grétka (Crickets): Cat, because cat is good and is doing whatever she wants.



Agathka (Donkeys): I would like to be a cat, because cat always catches the mice.



Neti (Zebras): I want to be a guinea pig. Why? Because they are so cute and little and they can scratch things.



Hugo: Cat. Lebo mačka robí mňau a ja sa chcem doma starať o mačku a o ryby. Lebo psík robí hav-hav.



Kubko (Seals): Cat, but I don't know, I want to fly and cat no fly.



Emka (Beavers): A bunny.

Lilly: Cat. Lebo ja mám rada mačičky.

Natálka (Turtles): No. Nothing.

Mathias (Koalas): Dog because I have a doggie in my grandma and granddad and his name is Sunny.

I SPY CREEPY CRAWLIES

We just love spying games! They have an awesome impact on our little ones! We use them to sneakily strengthen their active listening and observation skills. When children get encouraged to spy on anything that is around them, they become active listeners, keen observers and they sharpen their memory. So, with the motto: "Listen, observe, recall, have fun!" we all went to Horský Park or Medická Garden to spy on our beautiful nature. Considering it was summer time, we got lucky to see lots of insects – little bugs, busy ants, flying butterflies and dragonflies and much more. With magnifying glasses, it became even more interesting when we tried to count their legs or see their little eyes ☺. We came back with lots of good memories and children were really motivated to continue searching for little species in our garden as well.



TRIP TO A FARM

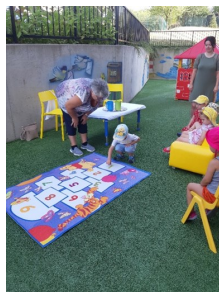
Our trip to the Devin Farm began, as usual, with a fun bus ride. It is always exciting to visit new places and we were nicely welcomed at this family owned farm with lots of interesting animals. The farm sits right under the Devin castle with a lovely view on the surroundings. We started the visit with a walking tour around the cages with various birds and the areas with goats and sheep. There was also a donkey, pony mom with her baby, and a lama, too! We could observe all the friendly animals from short distance and we even learned their names. The biggest hit was the animal feeding – we could either throw or give them yummy veggies and dried bread from our palm. And we were lucky to get a birds of prey show with a nice explanation from the owner lady. Such a fun trip to the animal world!





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GRANDMAS TEACHING AT MLYNSKÁ DOLINA

Our special day started when the first grandma came to visit our Kindergarten. Grandma Anka was nice and charming and she told us many interesting things about her childhood - what she liked to do, how she played or what she used to eat when she was little. She, of course, told us about her favourite toys. She brought a carpet with special pattern for jumping game called „škôlka“ (or hop-scotch in English). She was prepared to show us how to play this game. Mrs Anka and her granddaughters - twins Terezka and Klárka - have a really beautiful relationship. Our kids liked her too, especially because of her sense of humour. The other grandma who visited us, was special too. Her name was Bibinka and she came with a positive vibe we all felt immediately. There was something rather unusual about her - she

read us a book made of her own stories. Her grandson Tomáško knew all of them. She shared some family secrets and talked about activities she usually does with Tomáško. We all fell in love with her in the instance... She had such gift of talking and making up stories.

CLASS PROJECTS...



BUILDING A HOUSE FOR GRANDPA

Oh no, our Grandpa's house is falling down! Well, have no worries, because **Butterflies** learnt how to build one from scratch. They started with the floor, then they had to attach the walls with windows and,

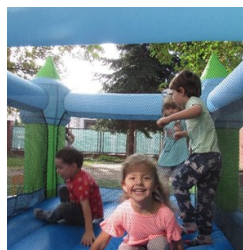
in the end, glue the roof on top of it. Of course, we can't forget about painting the house red and white. But what's most important, the proper house needs an entrance for Grandma and Grandpa doll - because when everything is finished, it's time to play!

HOW TO MAKE BREAD

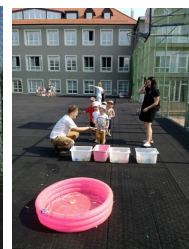
Making a bread is no easy task - our Grandma's could tell! Our **Butterflies** tried to mix their own dough. They learnt they would need yeast, water, little bit of salt, little bit of sugar, flour, and maybe some seeds to make it taste special. Then combine it all together, in a special way, and have a lot of patience, because letting the dough rise takes time. But if you try hard enough, the work repays. The dough is twice as big as it was, and we are as much amazed!



BYE BYE SUMMER PARTY

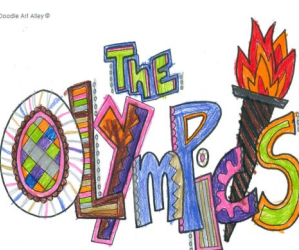


The weather is slowly changing and the summer is coming to an end. The new school year is here. So, why not have a nice party to celebrate the last summer days? That's exactly what we did, and it was great. Kids were playing outdoors enjoying various activities like obstacle race, throwing balloons and, of course, dancing. They could also let their faces to be painted, what most of the children gladly did 😊. The day was simply more special than other days and we were happy that we can always find a reason to have fun. 😊



OLYMPIC GAMES

Every four years, all great sportsmen and sportswomen from all over the world compete and try their best to win the special event called Olympic Games! Well, they need to wait 4 years for a chance to prove their skills but look at us! We have summer Olympic games every year! It is always a wonderful opportunity to get our children excited about sports, friendly competition, national pride and counting medals! We boosted the Olympic Games spirit into the air and we could see some really passionate and "ready to win" children in action. We are not surprised because we are sure that even some experts would envy the variety of our sport disciplines. Plus, our children are really smart! They knew it is important to participate and try their best and they tried hard! They even helped each other fulfil all tasks successfully and that is the most important message - to help each other and share victory! Viva Summer Olympic Games 2018!





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KIDS INTRODUCE...

Ms Lucy - Gajova (Beavers)



What can you tell me about Ms Lucy?

- She is with Beavers. She has a baby. Are you sure about that? No (giggling).
- I like to hug her. She is doing funny things.
- She is a good teacher, she is teaching us very nice things.

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- She is nice teacher. After nap time she lets us go outside.

What does Ms Lucy like to wear?

- Brown. You mean she likes clothes of brown color? No, crown! Or cap and flowers in her hair. She is wearing shoes and T-shirt.
- She wears regular things, little bit like a boy but more like a girl.
- Tomorrow you can see.

What is Ms Lucy really good at?

- Playing with children, draw and cut, and play pexeso.
- She is good at measuring.
- The hair! Combing the girls' hair.

Can you think of a funny thing Ms Lucy did?

- Making a monster.
- She did nothing funny.
- This is a difficult one. I don't remember the last time she was funny.
- She is playing funny things.

Ms Bogi - Úprkova (Turtles)



Who is Ms Bogi?

- She is there down with Turtles.
- She has music club.
- When I was a cricket she was on a music club.
- She is teacher and I like her.

- Ms Bogi je taká... Ms Bogi

- She is smiley.

Do you know any of Ms. Bogi's secrets?

- I think her secret is that she has a unicorn.
- I don't know, she didn't tell me her secret because its secret.

If Ms. Bogi could be any character from some story, who would she be?

- Elsa
- She has black hair, she could be Panisa.
- Wonder woman
- From transformers.
- Television
- Ms Bogi only.

What does Ms. Bogi like?

- Bananas and apples
- Snack. What does she eat for snack? Lunch.
- Mummies

If Ms. Bogi could have 3 wishes, what would she wish for?

- To have lots of money.
- Presents and flowers
- To have PlayStation.

Ms Gabika - Mlynská dolina



What can you tell me about Gabika?

- Je dobrá, dobre nás učí. S ňou veľa kreslíme a vyrábame.
- Že... že... neviem. Mám rada Gabiku.
- Že mala tú šatku na

vlasoch, keď sme mali Halloween.

If Gabika could be a character from any story, who would she be?

- Nejaká postavička. Napríklad taká Bez zubka, čo lieta na drakovi. Volá sa Astrid.
- Mimoň.
- Princezná Alenka.
- Neviem. Asi kráľovnou?

What is Gabika really good at?

- Že nám dáva nejaké úlohy a ja to dobre spravím.
- Ani neviem, V kreslení. Lebo dobre kreslí.
- Vie dobre variť.

What does Gabika like to wear?

- Tričko, gate. A topánky. A čapicu.
- Furt len taký kabát a tričko.
- Šaty. Sukňu a také do vlasov.

What is the funniest thing Gabika ever did?

- Že furt má ten kabát a tričko.
- Keď sme mali takú knihu, tak sme mali taký koniec a bolo to veľmi smiešne. Sme sa všetci smiali.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

OCTOBER 2018 WE START AGAIN WITH...



SWIMMING



EXTRA CLUBS



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SPEECH THERAPY

CONTACT PARENTS MEETINGS



AUTUMN HARVEST



NATIONAL HOLIDAY 30.10.2018

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NATIONAL HOLIDAY 1.11.2018

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EDUCATIONAL CONCERT All Over Europe With Music



FOREST LIFE Birds Of Prey Show

