

NEWSLETTER MAY & JUNE 2021



New month = new challenges... In this case, two new months = pleenty of new things and experiences. We were truly so busy with many end-of-the-school-year things, we didn't manage to bring you news on time. So here you go... double package in one! 😊

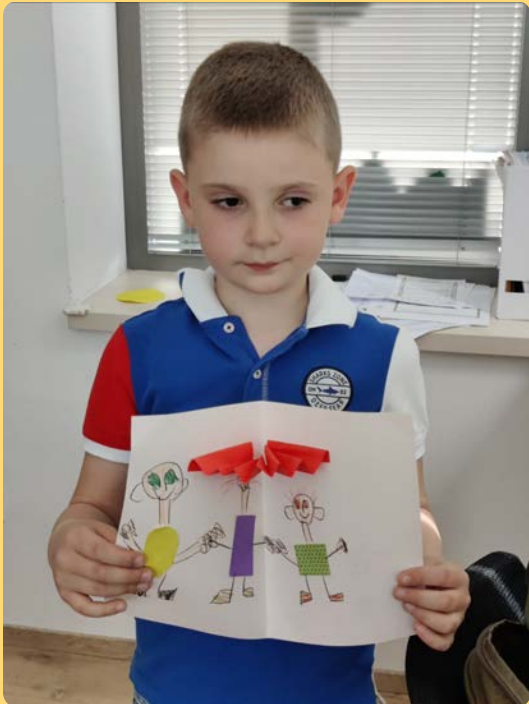
HOW DO I FEEL?

Children from all the locations were talking about different types of emotions this week to details. They were solving various tasks and discussing emotions from different points of view, and they were trying to dive deeper and analyze various types of emotions and feelings they might experience. Each day was represented by different colour to help us better understand each emotion (and to test, in some classes, whether the theories about colours affecting our emotions are true). Kids dressed in different colours each day to give the whole week a bit of extra flavor. In some classes, they connected art, music, and emotions – and they painted while listening to different music genres. While listening to the rock music, they automatically chose darker shade, but when the disco music came on, papers were filled with lots of colourful rainbows. It was such an untraditional and fancy week we all enjoyed a lot!



EVERYBODY NEEDS A FAMILY

Family gives children a safe, secure place to be themselves and learn about who they are. We talked about who is our family, how family members care for each other and what is my role in my family. Now we know that sharing positive feelings with each other and being nice to each other are just a couple of ways how family members can show appreciation and affection. Of course, we also did not forget our moms and dads. We prepared wonderful gifts for them, which brought smiles to their faces.



WE SPY

Who is the funniest member of your family?

Majko (Kiwis): Mum because she throws me in the bed like a catapult.

Emily (Foxes): My dad because he wants to watch hockey with me.

Bogdan (Flamingos): And Taras and Ivan we do the Bumblebee and Optimus and McQueen.

Oskar (Kangaroos): My 9 years old cousin Ondřík because he is showing me funny faces all the time.

Natálka (Owls): My brother because he says funny stuff that I 'm his baby. He also comes to me that he is a pig.

Janko (Dragonflies): The shark. *Who is the shark?* Miška. And dino. *Who is the dino?* Janko Janko.

Zoe (Crab): Luke. He always does silly faces when we are eating dinner. And Jack does jokes. *Can you tell me any?* What kind of key can swing from a tree? It's a monkey. What kind of bow can't be tied? The rainbow. Why is 6 afraid of 10? Because 7 ate (8) 9.

Amálka (Flamingos): My daddy sometimes throws me on the bed but it's very soft.

Alan (Ladybugs): Amálka. She is telling jokes. *And what about you?* I am not funny, because I don't have time to be funny, I am playing on my tablet.

Nad'ka (Kiwis): Mum. Because she is saying "Přestat' s tým" with her finger up.

Valerie (Owls): My daddy because he has a big belly and says funny things. He puffs on the belly, he also tickling me.

Elvis (Butterflies): Hmm. Mommy because I bring the zombie and she starts to scream.

Linda (Koalas): Daddy. Because he holds me in his hands and flies with me like I'm čmeliak.

THE WORLD OF WORK...

This week, kids were thinking big about what they want to do once they grow up. There were many ballerinas, policemen, chefs, teachers, fire fighters, footballers, and many more among kids. Learning about the world of work, every class organized their own event with one of the parents and either went to see them at their work or their work came to see us in the kindergarten. It was amazing experience where kids in a fun way learnt more about

jobs and some of them even changed their mind about what they want to do once they grow up 😊.





TEACHERS' INQUIRY

What was your dream job as a child?

Ms Petra Dz: That voice, on the bus, announcing the next bus stop! and later architect.

Ms Simi: I was dreaming about a lot of professions. When I was a little child I wanted to be a doctor or a lawyer. When I was older, I changed my point of view and wanted to become a member of a girlband.

Ms Katka: All kinds of things: a vet when I got my pet (a hamster), a ballerina when I started my dancing classes, a teacher when I started

Ms Veve: I always wanted to sell icecream. As a child I was absolutely in love with icecream cars or small shops. And I looked at the icecream seller like on a hero.

Ms Bibi: I wanted to try out many jobs, e.g. to be an artist, dancer, priest, teacher, archeologist, pastry baker.

Ms Lucka: I wanted to be a vet. But as I got older, I realized that a vet does not only play with the animals, but also has to do surgery and other disgusting things that make me feel sick in the stomach.

Mr Kubo: I wanted to live in the middle age and I wanted to be Archer or knight.

Ms Mimi: When I was a kid I wanted to be an ice cream maker so I could eat ice

cream every day for free.

Ms Lili: As probably every kid, I just wanted to do what my mum was doing, to be a dressmaker.

Ms Gabika: I wanted to be a teacher so my dreams come true.

Ms Timea: When I was 3 years old I wanted to work at a solarium. I used to wait for my mom while she went to get a tan and the lady at the desk was super lovely – I wanted to be like her.

COMMUNITY HELPERS

Everybody lives in a community. But do we know what needs to be done in a community? Large busy town or a small neighbourhood, there are some special people who take care of us, who keep us safe and healthy. And our kids got a chance to visit some of them! We went to see the fire station with all the huge vehicles, hoses, tools and special clothes. We got to try out everything from helmets to extra heavy backpack and you know what? We were allowed to use the hose and shoot water with it. So exciting! Some of our kids also experienced a policemen' visit in the kindergarten. We got to see their uniforms, their car and motorbike. They were so nice to show us all their tools and explained how they use it. Then we got to try the police motorbikes, and let us tell you, that was so much fun! Our kids loved learning about community helpers and enjoyed the trips a lot. It was such an amazing experience, no wonder many of them want to become fire-fighters and policemen once they grow up.







KIDS' DAY

June 1st is a very special days for all the kids – it's a Children's day! And what is a better way to celebrate childhood than with games, songs, and lots of fun? Each location held a biiiig party to remind ourselves how nice and fun it is to be a child. There were bubbles and balloons, dancing and racing, there was jumping in a bouncing castle and face painting. And of course, let's not forget about the best sweet treat of all - cotton candy! Our kids enjoyed their special day very much and it was for sure the best beginning of summer.





WE SPY

What you cannot imagine your childhood without?

Emka (Foxes): Without my blink blink colorful unicorn.

Kamilka (Flamingos): Toys. And winter.

Ninka (Ladybugs): I cannot imagine it without food – I love eating!

Woojin (Kiwis): Without my brother. He is very funny.

Milo (Sharks): Without my mum.

Oskar (Kangaroos): I wouldn't like to be a boy and not being able to catch butterflies.

Sofi (Pandas): Elsa, because I want to have my Elsa dress. Imagine that even we can do play in the playground, sing a song "Let it go". *How does it make you feel?*

Good 😊

Denis (Kangaroos): Without drawings which I can do so well.

Max (Penguins): Že aby mi Riško už nebral hračky.

Stelka (Crabs): Kindergarten. It will be missing to me, friends.

Branko (Ladybugs): Without toys and potatoes!

Ella (Owls): Colinko, because I don't want to put him away.

Klaudi (Butterflies): I cannot imagine a day without playing 😊.

Evička (Koalas): Without a swimming pool. I like to swim in the water.

iPAD, iPHONE, iME

Phones, computers, and tablets have very special place in people's lives. Adults use them on daily bases so no wonder kids want to use them as well. They make nice sounds, can do pictures or videos, can speak or even show favourite stories! In June, we took a chance to speak more about all those modern technical devices where kids got familiar with them and tried new things. They used computers and phones not just for fun but also for job role plays and they did it so well and responsibly!





AROUND THE WORLD

Even though the traveling situation is changing nowadays, we had our special tickets to travel around the whole world in five days while staying in the kindergarten. Yes, just like Willy Fog did! Furthermore, some of us followed his travelling path. And we had many exciting continent expeditions and discovered fun facts, get to know the habitat, the flora and fauna, specific traditions connected to lifestyle and culture of the world. Kids were creating 3D maps, drawing specific animals, watching national geography videos. Others tried out how to use Chinese chopsticks, had a tea at five after walking in the rain or created the Statue of Liberty. "Not all classrooms have four walls" as someone said and for sure ours did not have.



FOUR ELEMENTS

This month we had a great opportunity to connect with nature. Children expanded their knowledge about our world and develop a relationship with the natural elements of Wind, Water, Earth, and Fire. They explored the magic and wonder of these things with all their senses. Now we know how wind can speed things up or slow things down and why is water so important for people, animals, and plants. Did you know that you can live 3 days without water? Amazing! We also did memorable experiments with soil and discussed the dangers of fire. Through these activities, we learnt about the properties of the four elements and their role, importance and usage in our lives.





TEACHERS' INQUIRY

What element are you?

Ms Naty: Fire. If you know me you will know why

Ms Miška: Air. I like the gentleness and strength it can have.

Ms Jarka: I'm Earth! Stable and constant. When changed then for a very long time

Ms Táňa: I am the air. All that it brings, the smell of rain, summer, mushrooms, meadows or my grandma's freshly baked buns. It reminds me that everything is passing by just like the air or wind and we should just let go.

Mr Hugh: Water! Because it can be either wild or calm, fast or slow, and behave differently depending on which state it is in.

Ms Pet'ka: I feel very connected to Earth and all that it brings to us. Anything that grows from the ground is kind of amazing and when I think about all the details my head just starts to spin and I realize how amazing living organism it is...

Ms Lucka: For some reason I always connected myself with fire. I love the colour red, so maybe that's one of the reasons, too. I like how warm but strong at the same time it feels!

Ms Dianka: Maybe I am the wind, because I would like to travel everywhere for free.

GRADUATION

It's the end of the year and that means that we had to say bye-bye to our lovely Y1 children. It feels like it was only yesterday when they started the kindergarten. Some of them crying, some still wearing nappies, missing their mummies and daddies. Step by step, they became so smart, confident and brave kids we are so proud of! But they are big now, and ready to go to school, which they proved on their graduations with their wonderful

performances. It was amazing to see how far away you have come in just those few years. Dear Giraffes, Turtles, Crabs, Ladybugs, and Kangaroos, we will miss you very much and we wish you to stay happy, healthy, and successful in all your future endeavors. 🌟



A BIG YEAR 1 TRIP AND A SLEEPOVER

Just before we all go for summer holidays, all Y1 classes experienced something amazing and special at the end of June. They had their very first sleepover in the kindergarten! On that day, kids arrived earlier than usual, said bye-bye to parents and were so curious to find out what will be happening that day. Each Y1 class had their own individual program including all day trip full of exciting activities and surprises. And of course, THE SLEEPOVER at the end of the day. Everyone did amazing job and our pre-schoolers really enjoyed this last moment together before they start in new schools in September.



SWIMMING COURSE RUNNING AGAIN

Summer is finally here, the weather outside is hotter than ever and kids were more than happy to start swimming again. Unfortunately, there were still some restrictions and duties due to Corona and Graduation and not all classes managed to go swimming. Some Nursery classes continued their weekly swimming in Gajova with Mr Matúš and they happily showed him how much they missed the water. Bigger kids from Reception classes had a one-time opportunity to join intense swimming course in Pasienky, where they went swimming three times in a week! Well done guys, you did it!!!



INLINE SKATING COURSE

Skating is one of the most popular activities in the summer. That is the reason why we decided to open this course historically for the first time and it turned out a great idea! Kids joined this week-long course with so much effort, determination, and a goal to learn or improve their skating skills.... and, of course, they were eager to receive a title "Master of

skating” on Friday. Well-motivated children are the best “pupils”. They were able to fall and stand up at least million times with a smile on their faces, which was incredible! Every kid grew up into a skater with an amazing discipline and perfect body balance. This was one of the most awesome courses we ever had, and we are looking forward to joining it again!





WHAT KEPT US BUSY

The last two months were truly fascinating... We all hope to grow up soon. And, since we cannot speed up the process, we included plenty of adult-like class projects, crafts, and educational activities into our lessons. Check them here...

[Our Class Projects](#)

[Art Gallery](#)

NEWS IN KINDERGARTEN

It is a lovely tradition that each year one of the classes receives a huge responsibility... to take care of the tiny caterpillars. The kids feed them and observe how they grow, how they build



a cocoon and finally, how they get transformed into beautiful butterflies. After a few weeks, the whole kindergarten gets together to observe the ceremonial release into the nature!

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