



Primary News

A Message from the Principal



Dear Parents,

It has been a real pleasure to pop into lessons this week and see the learning taking place around school. In Year 9 Geography, students had produced their own board games on development, Year 2 were learning about the Water Cycle through keywords, visuals and a song and dance and in 7A English, students were encouraged to use the persuasive techniques they had learnt in a piece of writing. I was very impressed to see how engaged students were in their learning and how happy they were to talk about what they were doing.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the notebook appeal for Karitas to raise money for disadvantaged children. We will be collecting the notebooks (new, large and lined) until June. Finally, a reminder that the school is closed from Thursday 27th April and reopens again on Wednesday 3rd May. As a result, there will not be a newsletter next week. Enjoy the holiday!

Mel Hitchcocks,
Principal

A word from Mrs Železinger

Dear Parents and Students,

This week, our Y3 classes enjoyed an adventure in Atlantis. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to improve their swimming skills and participate in water team sports. Students and teachers accompanying classes have given very positive feedback on their experience at the waterpark. Our younger Primary students (Y1 and Y2) will be going to Atlantis next week, so please check the weekly email information about drop-off and pick-up arrangements on that day.



As part of the Science Block, Primary classes were invited to conduct various science experiments in the Secondary section of the school. They thoroughly

enjoyed their explorations in an actual laboratory. Next Wednesday, students will be finding out information about some very interesting animals coming to visit our school.



We ended this week with the Y5 students' wonderful performance during the Primary Assembly on Friday. Congratulations to all students receiving their *Star of the Week* and to the winning *Sapphire House*.

Please note that next week the school is closed for public holidays from Thursday 27th April and we **return to school on Wednesday 3rd May**.

We wish everyone a good holiday!

Kind regards,

Katarina Železinger
Head of Primary

Class Teacher Reports

Early Years

This week Early Years continued learning about our solar system and the specific elements of each planet. Nursery and Reception learnt about the different colours of the solar system by creating their own little planets. Our class story is *Toys in Space*, and students thought the book was exciting.

Reception learnt about money this week and the value of pounds and euros. They had an exciting trip to the supermarket, where they had a hands-on experience with money.



Nursery students have been learning about length and exploring the length of different objects in space. Pre-Nursery students enjoyed the sunny spring days and playing in the sand pit and visiting the bug hotel.

EY Team

Year 1

It seems that each week is getting more exciting and busy! We were invited to the Science Lab to watch some amazing experiments, which students continued to talk about throughout the entire week. In Topic, we began our own experiment to find out which conditions are best for cress seeds to grow in. We put some seeds in the sunlight, some in a dark cupboard and some in the refrigerator. We watered some seeds and left some without any water.

In Math, we practised counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and started simple multiplication work by grouping different objects. In English we continue to explore

fantasy stories, this week our focus was on "Aliens love Underpants".



We looked at "wow words" or adjectives to make our alien descriptions even more detailed. We also had a special visitor, Jacek, the storyteller who brought a magic storybook and told us he will be visiting us often to help us write our own fantasy stories.

Ms Miklavec

Year 2

In our daily topic lessons, the students of Year 2 are learning about water. We looked at the continents and oceans last week and this week started with a lesson about the water cycle. The students were amazed by the cycle and how it keeps going. We used the words *evaporation*, *condensation*, *precipitation*, and *accumulation* to describe each step. These words were quite tricky for most of the students but after practising and singing a song, we can already describe the water cycle and use the technical terms.

In the upcoming weeks, we will continue learning about water, the water cycle, and extreme weather and we will look at water from a creative point of view.

Ms te Velde

Year 3

This week, year three were participating in Mr Ogrin's science experiments in one of our BISL laboratories.



The children very much enjoyed seeing flames and hearing explosions, as well as showing off their impressive science knowledge when answering questions.

Ms Torrington and Ms Spangl

Year 4

Year 4 students all took a big step by working in groups and thinking of how we can make our planet a better place. Students came up with some excellent ideas. Their team spirit is fantastic and it is great seeing everyone participating and speaking up for things that matter to them. We can't wait to see how they develop those ideas in the next few weeks!

Year 4B students took on the responsibility of cleaning up the trash around the school premises, and they did a fantastic job! They focused on cleaning the path and collected a lot of plastic waste. Their efforts made a significant difference in making the area and the walking path cleaner and safer for everyone. The students' hard work and dedication to the environment are truly inspiring, and they are shining examples of how even small actions can make a big impact.



They also created a video about Notebook donations, so make sure you check it out.

Ms Pirnat and Ms Harris

Year 5

This week the children have been practising for their performance and in return did a fantastic job performing 'The Race to the South Pole'. Their acting skills were outstanding and I am sure that I will see them in the West End one day.



In English, the children continued learning about play scripts, while in Maths they concluded their shape block.

Mrs Thomas-Hayes

Year 6

In Year 6, the students participated in an art project centred on the planet Mars.



Inspired by the space topic, the project was organized by the Year 6 prefect and her friend. Each student received a part of the image and was tasked with using their creativity to decorate it using various art techniques and materials. From mosaics to chalk pastels, the students worked hard to create a class masterpiece. Through this project, they developed their artistic skills and learned how to collaborate with their peers.

The result is still in the making but it is looking to be a stunning image of Mars showcasing the Year 6 creativity.

Mr Kokalj

Departmental News

PE

Throughout our PE lessons this week, we continued to develop our technical and tactical understanding of our designated sporting units. Years 1 and 2 were introduced to the concept of moving an opponent into space when playing lobster ball, whilst Years 4 and 5 explored formations on the pitch when playing football, both attacking and defending, and Year 6 commenced their Sports Leaders unit.

Year 3 visited Atlantis where they undertook a range of swimming activities and games. A huge thank you to Mr Černi for organising all of the swimming days..

PE Department

Slovene

"Kaj najraje ješ? Katera je tvoja najljubša pijača? Ali imaš rad sladoled?" These are just some of the questions that Slovene Foundations students in Y3 and 4 can answer in Slovene. They have been learning about food and drink this week. Students learned new words through various activities and also learned how to use them in sentences. Can you guess which are their favourite words?



Well, definitely "sladoled, torta, jagoda and palačinke".

Ms Drofenik

Our Y5/6 students in Slovene Advance Lessons have been learning about ordinal and cardinal numbers. Despite the many rules and exceptions in the Slovene language, they have shown great perseverance and have been able to master writing them down with precision. It's impressive to see their dedication and progress, and I have no doubt they will continue to excel in their Slovene language studies.



I am also thrilled to see our students' continued enthusiasm for reading! They have been actively participating in our reading program by bringing books to school, and I am proud of their dedication. Special thanks to Urs from Y5 for presenting *Winnie the Pooh*, which has inspired many of our students to read more. Keep up the excellent work, and let's continue to explore the world of literature together!

Ms Kotnik

Performing Arts

Prenursery had their performing arts lesson outside this week and thoroughly enjoyed the space to move and sing in the open.



They have been playing the musical bells to start early recognition of sound order.

Mrs Kenealy

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School Calendars

For Term dates and school holidays, [click here](#).

Dates to Note

Tue	Apr 25 th	Y1-Y2 Swimming Day
Wed	Apr 26 th	Exotic Animals Visit
Thurs - Tue	Apr 27 th - May 2 nd	School closed
Fri	May 5 th	Coffee with the Principal
Fri	May 12 th	Block 6 Ends
Mon	May 22 nd	Block 7 Begins
Fri	Jun 2 nd	International Days
Tue -Sun	Apr 4 th -May 14 th	Science Block Challenges
Thu -Sat	Apr 13 th -Jun 10 th	Notebook Donations

All upcoming events and details are available on our [website](#).