



5th May 2023

Primary News

A word from Mrs Železinger

Dear Parents and Students,

Last week, we concluded our Atlantis adventures with the Year 1 and Year 2 classes. These were extremely popular with all of our Primary classes and provided excellent opportunities for students to develop their swimming and water sports skills.

The *Magical Animals* visit was the highlight of last week. Students across the school were able to come face-to-face with or touch and find out interesting facts about a variety of animals and insects.



Following the celebrations during the recent public holidays, the Year 2 students ventured on a two-day trip to Grad Prestranek in the Postojna region this week. Students took part in different activities, including horseriding, walking to a nearby cave and visiting an Eco farm.

The Year 4 classes also took a three-day trip to Seča to explore the Mediterranean coast region,

vegetation and climate, alongside various fun sports activities. As part of their English unit on fantasy stories and the latest Topic, the Year 1 class visited Štanjel for an adventure trail to learn about plants and animals in the Kras region through the story of *škratje* (goblins).



More classes will be going on residential trips at the start of the next block, so please continue to check the information sent home.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

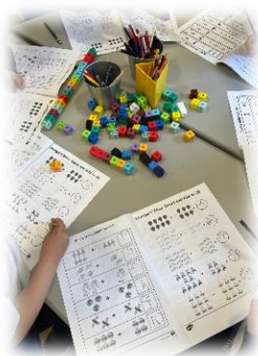
Kind regards,

Katarina Železinger
Head of Primary

Class Teacher Reports

Early Years

Early Years classes focused on the solar system and identifying each planet by name and colour. Nursery and Reception students were taught about the various colours of the solar system by creating their own miniature planets. The class story for the week was "Aliens in Underwear Saved the Planet," which the students thoroughly enjoyed reading.



Reception students also received instruction on addition and subtraction, with an emphasis on the various elements found in space. Meanwhile, Nursery students spent their time rehearsing a performance, which they performed to parents on Friday. Lastly, Pre-Nursery students engaged in creating their own classroom allotment and exploring the growth of various plants.

EY Team

Year 1

Have you ever heard of the Karst Goblins? Year 1 students went all the way to the village of Štanjel in the Karst region to save the village from the three Goblins; Goblin Smokebush, Goblins Bora and Goblin Stone. We followed the Goblin trail, which was full of goblin clues that took us through the forest and the meadows.



We collected secret symbols, played music on stones, drew bees and found goblin runes that revealed magic words that broke the goblin spells. The village is safe now and we recommend a visit to anybody looking for a very picturesque day trip!

Ms Miklavec

Year 2

Year 2 went on a school trip this week and it was absolutely amazing. On Wednesday, we left school and went to Grad Prestranek. We went to a cave from the Ice Age, an eco-farm, where we made cookies and yoghurt, and did some crafts but the highlight of our trip was horse riding and grooming. The students loved connecting to the horses and riding for the first time.



It was wonderful to see how all the students of Year 2 worked together and formed meaningful connections during these two days. They can be really proud of themselves.

Ms te Velde

Year 3

Year 3 sprouted a flourishing rainforest in the classroom! As part of the Topic 'Saving the Planet', students spent the last few weeks researching what plant, animal and human life live in the rainforests around the world.



They then drew, created their own and found out which animals and plants live there to make their own beautiful habitat.

Ms Torrington and Ms Spangl

Year 4

Year 4 had a fantastic time on their residential trip in Portorož. We made some amazing memories together. During the trip, we visited the Salt Pans, went on a boat trip, participated in art activities and enjoyed playing along the coastline.



During the evenings, we played games, had a movie night and had a party together. It was an unforgettable experience that allowed the students to learn, build friendships and explore in a unique way.

Ms Pirnat and Ms Harris

Year 5

Year 5 have had a great short week exploring electrical circuits and working in teams to complete the circuit fastest.



In English, the children wrote their very own scripts and in Maths the children revisited all they have learnt this block.



Mrs Thomas-Hayes

Year 6

This week, Year 6 students tackled an exciting project, designing their own Mars rovers. As they work towards fulfilling the success criteria such as adding electrical circuits, motor or sensor integration, moving parts, and a dustproof structure, the students are actively developing their teamwork, creativity, and problem-solving skills.



Everyone is really enjoying working on this project and it is great to see how this hands-on activity is enhancing their technical knowledge and understanding of Mars exploration as they progress through the design process.

Mr Kokalj

Departmental News

PE

During our PE lessons this week, we continued to explore our different sporting units, focusing on adding a competitive aspect to play. Years 1 and 2 undertook some competitive lobster ball, focusing on being able to work cooperatively in teams and keep count of the score. Years 3, 4 and 5 developed their

understanding of width on a football pitch and how making the playing area as big as possible can create goal-scoring opportunities. Years 6 continued to work on their sports leaders unit, ensuring their practices are ready for the assessment the next week.

PE Department

Performing Arts

Year 5 are working on some challenging pieces on the boom whackers, encouraging them to think about their timing as a group and the way they sound as a whole ensemble.



They are currently working on The Imperial March from Star Wars (May the 4th be with you) and the main theme from the film Interstellar.

Mrs Kenealy

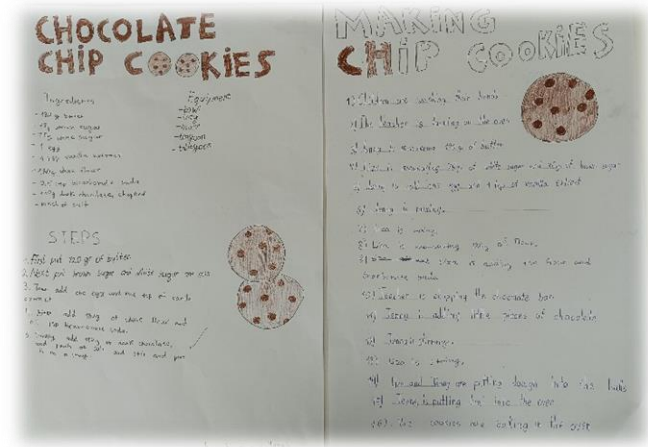
EAL

One of our EAL groups had a fantastic lesson baking cookies! Not only did they learn about cooking verbs, but they also practised their present simple and present continuous tenses.

During one of our previous lessons, the students had to write instructions for the recipe using the present simple tense.



While baking, one student in each group was responsible for using the present continuous tense to write about what they were doing at that moment.



It was a great opportunity for the students to practice their language skills while also having fun and enjoying some tasty treats! Well done to all the students involved!

Mr Siter

Other News

Young Scientists Club



The students enjoyed going outside and collecting leaves, wildflowers, stones, pine cones, bark and other materials in their young scientist club. They then used their creativity skills to produce a piece of art inspired by nature and the environment.

The children were amazing and a pleasure to work with.

Dates to Note

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
Thu	Jun 8 th	Book Fair
Tue	Jun 20 th	Primary Sports Day
Fri	Jun 23 rd	High School Musical performance

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

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School Calendars

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