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Dear readers,

welcome to our electronic school magazine. It has been a while. This issue of Mag4zine has been made by a new editorian team, which consists of students of VI.A. The new team will share with you our school activities, journeys, competitions, interests in music, art, culture, sports and a lot more.

We are about to start the second half of the school year 2012/2013. I hope you will enjoy all articles.

Finally, I would like to thank to everybody, who took their time to help us with grafics, articles, correction, creation, taking photos. I hope we will be successful at publishing this magazine. We will put our best in it. We want to create something a little bit different since we are another class. We want to bring some of our new ideas.

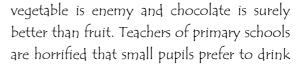
I wish you a pleasant reading.

Lenka Kotianová Chief journalist of MAG4zine

#### What Do Children Prefer? Sweets!

Health is a great gift. More than 60 % of illnesses are caused by the wrong lifestyle in the childhood. Composition of food

influences growth and development of children, ability to concentre and also rising of obesity, metabolic illnesses, illnesses of hearth-bloodvessel system, immunity system and tumour illnesses.



energy drinks and sweet drinks; they bring sweets and fat meals to the school very often. Why don't their parents give them something other? Don't they know that it is wrong for their children? Obviously, children often refuse the meals which don't look so tasty.



Leaving out a breakfast unfavourably influences mental activity. Children who do not eat breakfast have worse results of psychological tests, they are less attentive. Similar consequence has shortage of drinking.

Obesity is a very big problem nowadays. This is connected with bad regiment and default of motion. 80% of fat children will also become fat adults. Obesity is a base of serious health troubles.

It is very important to speak with the small children about the importance of healthy nourishment and to explain them that they cannot only eat the meals which taste them. Therefore, we prepared an interesting

presentation which shows the importance of healthy eating and terrible consequences of wrong lifestyle.

The main aim of our meeting was to teach children how to keep the basic rules of healthy eating,

drinking and to be active and eliminate the hours they spend in front of the screen. We hope that the children will apply new knowledge in the praxis and they will try to start healthier lifestyle.

I have visited the Primary School in Bánov with my classmate Simona Kajanovičová in order to talk about the healthy nourishment with pupils. This age group is most at risk. Children love sweets and everything what looks tasty, but these foods are often the most unhealthy and dangerous. Any sort of

Romana Fridriková, VIII.A

## Sweet Charity - a Theatre Performance

SUETOUÝ MUZIKÁLOUÝ HIT

Leman Dorothy Relosouá

Like every year, our school decided to go to the theatre in Nitra. I watched a musical called "Sweet Charity". It turned out to be better than I expected.

It all started with an introduction

from the director.

After that, the

main

character, Charity, was introduced to the audience. The plot

was about a young girl who wanted to be loved. Despite being a barmaid, she tried to change her life-

My favourite parts were dances. Dancers were both male and female, and their dancing fascinated a lot of students. I particularly liked the emotions that they expressed during those scenes. The characters danced often and the costumes suited the story very well.

For example, the beginning

was a bit cruel, so the actors wore black clothes.

The play ended with a big dance in which every character took

part.

All in all, I had a very good time watching Sweet Charity. I really liked the actors and I think the length of the musical was perfect.

Written by Nghia Phan van

### The European Day of Languages

The end of September has been announced as The European Day of Languages. The aim of the day has been supporting learning foreign languages in all age groups and supporting lingual and cultural diversity in Europe.

There have been done a lot of activities by students and teachers to this day, e.g.



presentations on the topic "European Day of Languages", recitation of poems in German language, speaking about interesting things in the English speaking countries, discussion on the topic "How to Protect Culture and Language of a Country", making quiz "Let's Learn Language in a Funny Way" with a cooperation of pupils from the Primary school in Bernolāk street in English language, acting the play "Whose Baby Am I?" for pupils in the Primary school in SNP street in English language, broadcasting in a school radio and in a town radio, making public inquiry in streets of the town on the topic "Why Is It Important to Learn Foreign Languages? Students made a crossword in English language, notice board in the corridor of the school.

All activities were very funny, interesting and they have inspired and motivated students to study foreign languages harder.

## Week of safety on the internet

Pupils of the class II.C have received an e-mail offering project "Safety on the Internet", they decided to take part in it.

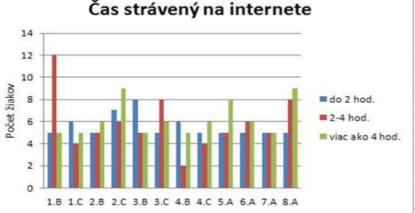
There were information about what to do, the point was to make a survey how many people know about behaving safely on the Internet.

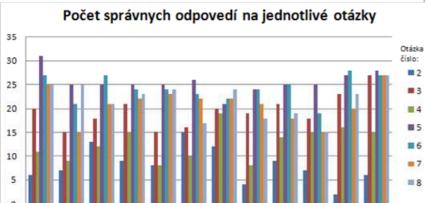
Students informed the school about their activity by making a poster and putting it on the noticeboard in the main corridor. The questionaire contained ten questions about the knowledge of internet protection e.g. What is malware, firewall or hoax.

After making the survey in the school, students went to the town, to ask people about their experiences with the Internet.

They also visited primary schools with presentations and some specific places e.g. town hall, library or Orange store.

Here are the graphic results of this survey:

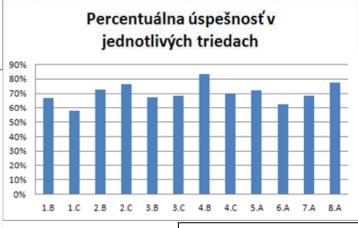












Číslo otázky

Kristián Kiš II.C Lenka Kotianová VI.A

#### STORY FROM THE ZONE

"Goddammit!" Cat shouted and clapped the mosquito on his neck. Everyone in the car laughed, included me. Cat was tall young boy with black hair and green eyes. He was wearing jeans, army boots and camo jacket. We were all wearing similar clothes. Danny was thirty five year old and he was wearing original army digital camo jacket. There were three of us in that damn old jeep, Danny riding. Yeah, we stole it. But who cares. It was on that car park for two years, so we took it. Noone was pursuing us for that so it was OK. "There we go." Danny said. There was an army guarding post up the road. When soldiers saw us they seemed surprised but one high rank soldier ran out of the building on the right side of the road and started to talk to a man standing near the gate. We stopped in front of the gate and high rank guy walked to us.

"Are you those guys?" He asked. "No. We're that guys." Danny said. It was something like a secred code. Question and answer was complete nonsense. However, the three of us and high rank knew what it meant. Danny shook his hand with the guard (he secretely gave him some cash) and soldiers opened the gate. "Good luck guys!" High rank soldier shouted and smiled. "OK boys. We have to follow this road and we will get to the first stalker camp in about ten minutes or less." Danny said.

The road was going through the forest. I saw a radiation warnings around the road. I was feeling strange. When we got to the camp Danny stopped in front of the large (and only undamaged) building. I saw four men walking our way. "Hey guys!" One of them shouted. He was wearing army jacket with hood covering his face. He has also got camo pants, army boots and bulletproof vest and he was holding a sniper rifle. "I'm Snipe. I just want to tell you that you won't get any futher with a car and me and my comrades are leaving the zone. We would buy your jeep." He said and shook my hand. After a little talk with Danny we decided he's right and we asked him what he could offer. He threw me his old Makarov pistol and a small bag from his backpack. There was some ammo for pistol and few first aid kits, bottle of vodka and a piece of bread. I also found some anti-rad pills and bandages. I took it and watched other men, who came with Snipe giving their bags and weapons to Danny and Cat. When we were armed the men sat into the car. Suddelny Snipe went out and gave me a sheet of paper. It was map with some strange marks. He smiled at me and said: "By the way... Welcome to the Zone."

#### End of pt.1 author: Samuel Vida

Our car was gone but we had some useful stuff and some weapons. This camp was made of some damaged houses, mostly with no roof or with missing part of the wall. There were about twenty or more people. Those guys call themselves stalkers. When we asked some of them about the area around there they all told us to talk to the Wolf. They told us where to find him and when we got to him he was talking to a stalker. We waited for them

to finish and then we walked to a small room with no windows. There was only one small light bulb in there. "Hello. How can I help you?" He asked and smiled at us. It may be that the Zone makes people so good to other people, even strangers. "Hello." Danny said and we all shook hands with Wolf. "We're new here and stalkers told us to talk to you." "Yeah. I'm something like a boss here. Welcome to the Zone guys. Before I tell you anything I need to see if it's worth my time to teach you stuff about the Zone." "So you have a job for us?" I asked. "Yeah. I have a little job. I need you to go to the old gas station to search the place. My guys told me about a strange feeling they had when they were walking around it. They felt something is watching them. Here's the station." He marked a square building on his map and gave it to us. Danny took it. "Do you have weapons?" Wolf asked. We showed him our pistols and when he said we're good to go we left the room. It was getting dark out there so we found empty house and went upstairs. We sat near the hole in the roof and watched the sunset. When it got really dark the stalkers who came to the camp started to talk and drink. That's how it goes in the Zone. Leave the camp to risk your life for some damn artifacts (No one wanted to tell us what it is), then come back to the camp to drink and enjoy another day you survived. One of the stalkers started to play quitar. He was playing really beautifull songs. I somehow fell asleep. I woke up because of Danny's radio. "Attention stalkers. A blowout is comin'. Find some cover immediately! "What the hell? I tought. I woke Danny and Cat up. We went downstairs and found a room with no windows. Danny told us about those blowouts before. Blowout is something like a storm that would kill anyone, who is not covered. We waited until it was over and then we walked out of the building. It was about nine in the mornig. We took our backpacks and headed to the camp gate. So this was it. Our first steps toward the Zone. I was so exited. I din't know what is waiting for us out there. If I knew it I would stay home...

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#### The International Day of School Libraries

The Interanational Day of School Libraries was a special day for students of 1.B and 1.C class of the Secondary Grammar School in Surany. Teachers and students of other classes have prepared a lot of activities for them.

In the begining of the programme was prepared meeting with Mr. M. Eliáš. He presented his historic books. This was very



interesting part because students could ask him questions about history of our town.

In the next part of the programme, there were prepared presentations about books in English, German, Russian and Slovak languages. Some students spoke about the Slovak authors such as Hviezdoslav or Štúr. In the last part of the programme students were divided into groups, where they tried to look up the answers on given questions in prepared books.

Students liked the programe about books and reading very much because they could learn a lot of new information about history and about our language in an interesting way.

Written by Maja from VI.A

### School Olympiad in Foreign Languages

There was a competition in foreign languages called Olympiad in December in our school. Students who are good at languages could take part in it. There were two categories in English and German languages and three ones in Russian language. The winners from each cathegory moved on a district Olympiad. Each competitor had to solve grammar tasks, reading comprehension, describe pictures, speak about interesting places in Russia and many other tasks.

These are the names of the School Olympiad in English language: category 2A- 1. R. Fridrich, 2. S. Frištyková, 3. F. Polák and M. Gallová, category 2B – 1. L. Ondrišeková, 2. K. Buranská, 3. M. Bako and B. Zajíčková. Winners in Olympiad in German language: category 2A – K. Sádovská, 2. D. Hajnalová, 3. M. Holková, category 2B – 1. S. Benková, 2. K. Vančíková, 3. B. Abrmanová. Winners in Olympiad in Russian language were: category A1- 1. A. Lobotková, category B1- 1. L. Bednáriková, 2. B. Krajmerová, 3. S. Jamrišková, and category B2 – 1. F. Mudrák, 2. S. Demová, 3. M. Mindová.

We congratulate to the winners and we will keep our fingers for them in the district competition.

#### Department of languages





#### Visit from Preston

Students and teachers from our Secondary Grammar School but also English language teachers from all primary and secondary schools in the town and nearby villages gathered in the town's Jewish museum for a meeting with two teachers from the Corpus Christi Catholic Sports



College from Preston, England. Meeting started with presentations about our school and events which had been connected with the school. Firstly, Andrea Lobotková had a presentation about the International Day of School Libraries. Secondly, Kristián Kiš had a presentation about their class's project: Week of Safety on the Internet. Thirdly, Romana Fridriková and Karol Cagáň had presentation about the school e- Mag4zine and about Project Learning. It is a new way of education. We are getting better in

foreign languages by writting a lot of articles like this one. It was a big technical challenge. It requaires computer knowledge. The advantages and disadvantages of project learning:

- + Students have a lot of skills.
- + Students get new information.
- + Students are able to work in teams.
- + Students have more entertaining lessons.
- Some students do not do their work correctly.
- Some students are less active.

Mr. Tom Hallsworth- an excellent Science teacher, had a presentation about using IT in a learning process in Corpus Christi.



Mr. Tom Hallsworth and Mr. John McGeoghan answered the questions of students and teachers and we have learned that: school has invested a lot of money for new computers, iPads, laptops and notebooks. Students have access to school library and information from everywhere. It is a good way of safe virtual learning. Students have their homework given on the Internet. They can also join school's online subject courses. School system has its own "facebook" – Mahara. It is a safe page for students. They can complain if they are bullied. System also controls their behaviour. It turned out that not all teachers are opened to this new ways of learning. Corpus

Christi is a state school. Students are from 11 to 16 years old. They often make trips to other European countries e.g. France( Paris, Disneyland), Germany, Slovakia, Poland ( Krakow, Auschwitz). Corpus Christi is also an academy for Manchaster United. Students, not only boys, but also girls are very good at football. There are also foreign students—from Poland, but they are not very opened to learn everything in English. Now they have their own teachers who teach them in Polish. Mr. Hallsworth and Mr. McGeoghan did not know much about Slovakia. Our partnership helped them to be wider with their knowledge about our country. The presence of two nice teachers from Preston in our school helped us to know more about their school and students and we had great opportunity to communicate in English.

Lenka Kotianová VI.A

### European Week of Local Democracy

What is European Week of Local Democracy?

-anually event organised in October, which wants to inform people about local democracy

What are the main aims?

- to inform people about work in local organisations and institutions,
- to activate people in public life,
- to organise public meetings with local authorities,
- to give people opportunities for learning more about policy in Europe.

What were our activities?

- -broadcasting in a school radio,
- -article in a local newspapers,
- essay on the topic "What Would I Do if I Were a Deputy",
- -discussion with local authority Mrs. Ing. E. Augustínová.

What was Mrs. Augustinová talking about?

- -functions and activities of the Town Hall in our town,
- -problems in our town,
- -activities for young and old people.

Written by Mariana and Jana



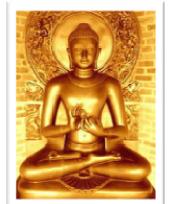
#### Quotations

Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go.

T.S. Elliot

All that we are is the result of what we have thought.

Buddha



## The way is not the sky. The way is in the heart. Buddha

#### SAGUARO

Students of our class, V.A, enjoyed the LIDL competition which was announced by the department store in collecting bottle caps from mineral water Saguaro. We have been collecting them for one month.

We did everything to win. We were looking for bottle caps between rubbish. Our friends and family were asked by us to collect them , too. Every day we brought some coins and than bought bottles of Saguaro. We did a lot of race with Saguaro , e.g. : Who will drink Saguaro quicklier? It was fun , but after two weeks we hated Saguaro. It was something horrible . Saguaro was everywhere. We were dreaming about Saguaro.

But it was fun, too.

our classemates went to buy Saguaro to LIDL. They bought 150 bottles of Saguaro . They came to our classroom with shopping cart full of Saguaro bottles.

We were filming everything and sent our video to other LIDL competition. This competition was about the

funniest video (about

# HURRAL

Ones

collecting caps). The winning video will be that one , which will have most of "likes - stars ". The big day came - statement of winner. We were listening to the radio at 7:28 AM in school corridor. We did not win cap's competition. But we still listened to the radio, because we had a chance to win with a video. We were - video number 4. When men in radio said: "And the winner of The funniest video is... video number 4...." We stopped listening to it and started screaming so much. Three teachers and the headmistress of our school came to look at us. They thought something bad must have happened to us. But we were only so, so happy. By the way we won 1000 € for shopping in LIDL shop. But at that moment we were not thinking about that , because we were the happiest class in the world.

#### Poems about Christmas time

Christmas time is here,
Happy time is here,
We do not buy presents,
We make presents.
When my mother needs help,
I go and help her.
When we burn last candle,
We are waiting for miracle.

Written by Gabika and Silvia from III.B

Christmas time is a good time, nobody thinks of bad things.
Christmas time is a family time, Nobody is worried and sad.
Hearths of people are open,
They send love and good mood,
To the whole world.

Written by Andrej and Erik from III.B



November 2012 in the Social Hall in Šurany. We also commemorated the Velvet revolution from the year 1989, when fight for freedom and democracy started in Czechoslovakia.

Students of older classes 2.B and 2.C had prepared funny games and competitions for students of 1.B and 1.C- new members of our school. Students from each class had prepared and performed nice programme for techers, school friends and all students from other classes. Talented students have

## MATRICULATION of New Students

Matricution in our school is an event when all students and teachers meet to "accept" students of the first year classes among themselves. The school event was celebrated on 9th



shown excelent performances in singing, playing musical instrument, dancing. There was

a short disco for everybody who liked dancing. We are looking forward to Matriculation of new students next year. Special thank you goes to all students and teachers who participated and prepared the event.

Written by Žofia from VI.A

# Congratulations! You have made it to the end!

Dear readers,

this is the first published issue from hands of a new editing team of students from VI.A. We had small problems with design and time. We keep being calm and carry on. We believe that we will be successful.

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