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# European Day of Languages

September 26th traditionally marks the European Day of Languages, which was also marked by students from the 1st to the 8th grade of the Nikola Tesla Branch School in Moravice. The 7th and 8th graders participated in the quiz **Talk to me!**, in which they measured their strengths and showed their knowledge of the language, history, geography, film, and celebrities, after which they were presented with specially designed for recognition and sweet gifts.

The fifth graders' quiz was followed with interest, who collected experiences for the next year, after which they became world travellers and created a commemorative passport of world travellers with their chosen travel destination.

Students of the lower classes participated in a workshop on making paper dolls dressed in folk costumes of selected countries. Also, they learned the names of these countries, traditional food, and what the flags of these countries look like.

2nd grader Aleksandar Soldat embellished the European Day of Languages with the song The Alphabet, for which he earned loud applause from his friends. Then 5th grader Dora Štefančić spiced up The Day with a beautiful recitation of A Different Language. She was also rewarded with applause.

Students attending additional English classes tried their hand at a poetic workshop and, based on the poem Learning a Language by Scottish poet Olivia McMahon, wrote their own repletes with incredible poetic images.

Happy European Day of Languages from the Nikola Tesla Branch School students from Moravice!



WORLD TRAVELER

### Learning a Language, a poem by Petra Rebić

### Learning a language

is like a house

with no way out.

It's like a snail without its home.

It's like a life circle with no dying,

like a never-ending story.

It's like a flower without the stem,

like a horse rider

with no horse.

It's like a person without any feelings.

But then gradually

it's like a beam of light at the end

of a dark tunnel.

It's like a stray cat finding a home,

like finding a four-leaf clover

in a field full of clovers,

finding sweets hidden in the house.

And then one day, it's like seeing a sun

After a rainy seven days.

### Learning a Language, a poem by Dora Mance

### Learning a language

is like being a skydiver

with no parachute.

It's like a painter without a brush and paints.

It's like being a bird without wings,

like a skier without skies.

It's like being a hockey player

without a stick and a pack,

a guitarist with no guitar,

a singer without a voice.

But then gradually

it's like a bee

making honey.

It's like a runner on a track,

like a diver diving as deep as he can,

an actor in the theatre,

a playful child in the park.

And then, one day, it's like becoming a fish swimming in the ocean.

### Learning a Language, a poem by Tamara Kljajić

### Learning a language

is like painting a picture that starts off as something simple

but it ends up complex and

beautiful.

It's like getting to know a city.

It's like falling in love,

like learning to play an instrument.

It's like riding a rollercoaster.

It turns your life upside down.

But then gradually

it's like being out in the cold winter when the

gentle snowflakes are falling.

It's like becoming another person,

like being on the beach

and looking in the sunset, hanging out with your

family.

And then one day it's like going to your favourite singer's concert

And knowing the full lyrics and tunes.

### Learning a Language, a poem by Darin Goršić

### Learning a language

is like playing tennis, but there's no ball or a racquet.

It's like swimming on a sandy beach.

It's like playing Uno without a deck of cards.

Like being a black sheep in the herd of white sheep.

It's like walking on a rainy day; all you want to do is

go back to sleep.

But then gradually

it's like waking up to the very first

sunbeam.

It's like getting a hug,

like seeing a perfect friend

you haven't seen for years.

And now he's here.

And then one day, it's like winning a football match and coming first in the League.

### Learning a Language, a poem by Dina Marković

### Learning a language

Is like when you get lost in the forest, and there's no compass, no sun, and no moss to find your way home.

It's like when the singer can't sing because of a sore throat and has to cancel the long-awaited concert.

It's like running and standing in the same spot simultaneously.

like a rabbit hopping backward.

It's like a school building with no students

a chef without ingredients

a butcher without meat

a gamer without games.

But then gradually

It's like when you're out alone

and suddenly your friends come over.

It's like seeing a rainbow after heavy rain,

like finally getting the toy you always wanted,

passing the exam, you thought you were sure to fail,

getting invited to a birthday party,

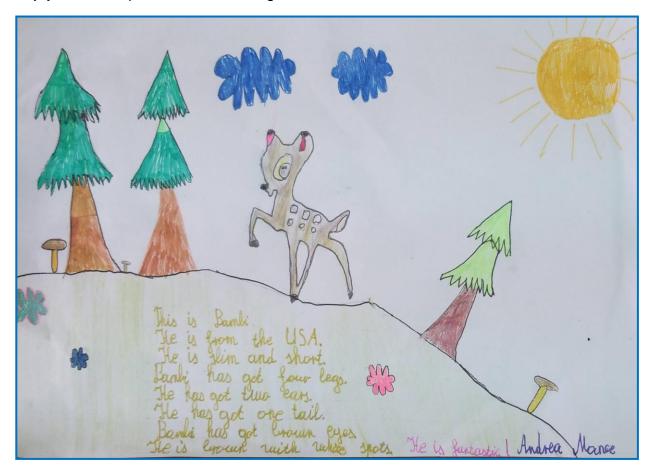
making a sad person smile.

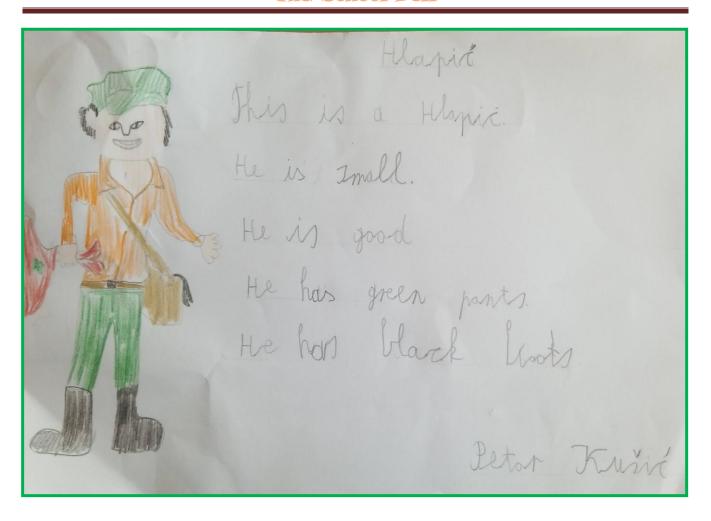
And then one day, it's like an exciting ride on a giant roller coaster, you never want to stop.

# Step into the world of books

Andrea Mance and Petar Kušić, students of the 4th grade of the Nikola Tesla Branch School from Moravice, learned to describe someone in the English language class. Since they like to read mandatory books, they decided, together with the teacher, to describe a book character of their own choice for the project work, which they also visually presented. While Andrea described the always well-read Bambi by Felix Salten, Petar opted for one of the most famous Croatian book characters created by the pen of great Ivana Brlić-Mažuranić. Of course, it's Hlapić the Apprentice.

Enjoy the descriptions of our fourth graders!





# My summer camp

The 4th class students Andrea Mance and Petar Kušić from Nikola Tesla Branch School from Moravice did another in a series of projects abound in English language teaching.

They visually evoked their summer camp and presented it orally using the learned vocabulary and the given tense. They paid particular attention to proper pronunciation and intonation.

With each new project, the jitters decrease, and speech abilities grow.

Well done to our fourth graders!





# Education.com international Halloween Contest

Students **Tamara Kljajić**, **Petra Rebić**, and **Dora Mance**, who attend additional English-language classes, participated in an international art competition on the topic of Halloween launched by the educational platform Education.com. The Halloween Art Contest could include children from around the world up to 13 years of age.

The best are awarded an annual subscription to the above site. At the same time, all artworks will find their place on the world educational platform Education.com.

See the work of our students below.



Samanta Goršić



Dora Mance



Petra Rebić

# A scary cheer for Halloween



# A SCARY HALLOWEEN NIGHT

It was a cold, dark Halloween night. My friends and I went trick-or-treating. We were having a great time! It was getting dark, so we decided to go home. While we were walking down the street, we heard a strange noise.

Suddenly, we heard a burst of loud laughter. One of the ghosts jumped in front of us, scared as we approached that laughter, but it was just our friend Dominic. When we looked at the night sky, a witch flew above us in the moonlight. After we lost her broomstick out of sight, we saw many nervously flying bats and heard roaring owls. We didn't take it seriously. But when we passed the house where we thought no one was living, we heard the door cracking and squeaking, and an older man was standing in the shadows. Just when we felt some relief, the man came out into the moonlight, showing the paleness of his skin and flashing his fangs at us. We started running as fast as we could and barely escaped him. We just ran without turning around or stopping. It was a question of life and death...and the scariest Halloween of our lives.

We never went down that street again.



# Forever haunting doors

Hello! I'm Jake. And this is no ordinary horror story, so let's begin......

It all started one evening my parents and me were going to a shopping centre, and by the time we got there, it was already dark, although it was only 7pm. It was a chilly autumn evening. I was so happy because I was getting a pair of new shoes, and Christmas came early this year. But something strange happened. As I said, we were going to the shopping centre, and it was pitch dark and cold outside. There were just a few people passing us by. Some were walking in a hurry, and some were going in and out of the centre. Walking to the revolving doors, I felt some weird, unexplainable energy, like something or someone was watching me. I brushed away that feeling and kept on walking. We got into the revolving doors, and suddenly, they stopped working. The spinning stopped. The lights were going on and off.

And suddenly, the people got stuck in the doors, and we started turning into grey shadows and disappearing. It looked like the wind took their shadows. There was no one other than my parents and me. I was terrified. People disappeared, lights flickered, and clangorous noises were heard in the background. I just closed my eyes and covered my ears to stop hearing g those sounds. I almost started crying until...lights stopped blinking, and the noise was gone as everything went back to normal. Still, I knew something was wrong. The revolving doors started working again without stopping. They kept spinning slowly. Too slowly, if you ask me. We were going around in circles when I saw something that looked like black sticky liquid dripping, drop by drop, on the outer glass of the door. And then spiders

started crawling on the floor. At that point, we were all dreading. Lights started flickering again, the spiders crawled in large numbers, the black liquid kept dropping....and then...

Everything stopped. The lights started working as before, the black liquid was disappearing, and the spiders crawled back and vanished. People were even back, and the revolving doors were working perfectly. We got out as soon as possible, and when we looked, everything was normal, like nothing had happened. I asked my parents what had just happened, and they looked at me like they saw a ghost. We immediately went home and tried to forget everything until five days later.



Five days later, we read in the newspapers that the centre was closing because of paranormal activities and was actually haunted. Those paranormal activities made sense because the building was built in the late 1900s and is over 100 years old. I'm still traumatized by that unearthly event.

Sara Karabatković, Class 7

### Why is there a spellbook in the fridge?

Answer or face doom.

One day I was thinking to myself: Why is Halloween here? But then I realized that the funny thing about it is that children adore that day. They love to go trick-or-treating in the evening...sometimes even at night. The darker, the scarier, the better! I like to do that, too! It's such great fun, and you can go with your friends. I really like Halloween, especially sweets. I prefer to go trick-or-treating at night because it is spookier then, but I admit I sometimes get a bit scared because I'm not a night lover. But I understand that Halloween at night is much more fantastic. I hope you like Halloween, too.

# And regarding the spellbook in the fridge?

I gave it a lot of thought! The spellbook is in the fridge because the fridge is a source of energy that charges the spell book with all the magnificent magic. It's like the spellbook's charger!



Dora Štefančić, Class 5

### Mysterious letters

There was a man who lived in the bleakest street in London who lived a happy and fulfilled life...until one night.

That night while he was coming home from work exhausted, he saw a letter in front of the door. He opened it curiously. It said that the woman who lived there 30 years ago would haunt and kill him if he didn't leave the apartment immediately.

Since then, he would lock everything that could be locked; the curtains always covered the windows, there was no light in the evening, and no sound could be heard from there. No one could figure out what was happening except one person...but was it a person?

This madness lasted for months, with different threats each time. The man was fired because he didn't leave the apartment at all. He was fear-driven and psychotic. Something or someone was lurking at him...but what? Who?!

(...)Do you recall that one person who knew it all?! That person was a nasty witch who wanted to harm everyone who lived in that apartment. She believed that the satanic territory of the apartment was magic-packed and ideal for her black magic and life-threatening experiments. She killed the woman who had previously lived in that apartment and told that man it was hers. He had had it enough. He couldn't live like that anymore. It was driving him completely and utterly crazy. He finally called the police and told them everything there was to know about the mysterious letters. They went to all the neighbours in the building and asked about that woman. But no one knew anything because the witch lived in the basement where no one had been for years. That's why no one heard of her. When the police finished investigating everything and found nothing, the moment they were heading back, there was a strange hollow growl...



To be continued...

Petra Rebić, Class 7

### Beauty faces Beast

My family and I had just moved to another city.

The next day I started my new school.

Soon as I knew it, I was the most popular and beautiful girl in the whole school. I wasn't brilliant, though. My grades were terrible. I thought my physical appearance was the only thing worth mentioning about me.

And then, one day, I woke up, and there was a gigantic ugly nose with a nasty birthmark in the middle of my face. I decided to skip school that day, so I just pretended I was sick, but the weird thing was that my parents didn't say anything, as if I was the same.

The following day, the nightmare continued. I looked in the mirror and I saw something even more terrifying than my enormous ugly nose. My hair had turned white, and my face was wrinkled like a wadded sheet. I ran to my parents hysterically. While they were drinking coffee peacefully, I stormed into the kitchen and screamed: What is happening to me?!

They stared at me blankly and murmured something incoherently...and incredibly at the same time.



To be continued...

Tamara Kljajić, Class 7

The past week has been lively at the Nikola Tesla Branch School in Moravice, where the students and the English teacher enjoyed celebrating the ever-popular Halloween. We read, created, expressed ourselves artistically, and, most importantly, had a lot of fun. The first and the second graders were introduced to the story in the verses Little *Spider's Web*, after which they painted canvases and made spiders in the form of a print of their own palms. Of course, spiders also got many eyes, but also indispensable glitter.

While the third graders made cats out of strips of collage paper, the fourth graders made bats out of toilet paper rolls using collages, googly eyes, and tempera.

Somewhat more demanding tasks were set with students of upper grades attending additional English classes. They did some creative writing. The fifth-grade student **Dora Šetafančić** tried to figure out what a magic book was doing in the fridge. At the same time, a sixth grader **Dora Mance** wrote a Halloween story with the given words and enriched it with her own. The seventh graders **Tamara Kljajić**, **Petra Rebić**, and **Sara Karabatković** wrote stories with given prompts full of tension and anticipation. In contrast, the eighth graders **Darin Goršić**, **Dina Marković**, and **Doris Klaić** wrote recipes for some unusual and yet so typical Halloween delicacies.

The seventh-grade student **Darijan Potkonjak** carved the school pumpkin that adorned the entrance to the school. His classmates joined him in that creativity, so the student **Karlo Labazan** carved *Pepi*, his Halloween friend. In contrast, the student **Petra Rebić** made a cute monster out of natural materials named *Noddy* (or in Croatian, Zvonko).

All students were given specially made Halloween certificates and received occasional Halloween sweets. Students of lower grades were treated by the teacher and our hardworking cook **Irena Nikolić** with *muffins* that were made especially for them on the occasion of celebrating Halloween.

### A spooky cheer for Halloween from all of us!











### Froggy-furred dessert soup

### Ingredients:

frog legs
cat fur
the witch's finger
freaky fungus
poisoned apple



How to make this delicious meal:

- First, start by cutting the frogs' legs off.
- Remember to add blood from the witch's finger to it.
- Then cut the witch's finger into circular shapes.
- Then take the fur, which is to be decorated just like noodles.
- Mix it all together in a bowl and cook at 250 degrees Celsius.
- Before it boils, add freaky fungus and a poisoned apple to sweeten it even more.

And there you have it! Froggy-furred dessert soup.

Enjoy your meal, and be careful with your fingers, too!

Dina Marković, Class 8

### Rage potion

**Ingredients:** Lapis lazuli, spider eye, half a bottle of rakija, vanilla syrup, frog legs, rabbit foot, rose flowers, and a little sugar.

### How to make the potion:

First, boil the rakija and put melted lapis lazuli.

Boil it for 5 minutes, then add all the other ingredients.

When the rakija boils with the lapis lazuli, you add the spider eye and a drop of vanilla syrup.

Darin Goršić, Class 8



### Slimy potion

**Ingredients:** polar bear eye, chicken claw, 2 drops of snake venom, half of a black cat's tail, parrot's beak, 13 drops of mouse blood, a human finger

**Procedure:** First, we put water in a pot to heat it at a high temperature. Then put a human finger and a half of black cat's tail into the pot to cook. Add the polar bear's eye to the pot which will soften when cooked. Then add 2 drops of snake venom for the aroma. While cooking, put a parrot's beak and a chicken's claw into a pan to fry. When it's fried, put everything in a pot and cook together for 30 minutes. After 30 minutes, please remove it from the heat and add 13 drops of mouse blood. The drink is ready. It must be kept cold! The slimy potion is finished and ready to use, it is used to look into past lives, and you can find out haunts you. You can drink 2 deciliters of it per month because if you drink it incorrectly, death will follow.



Doris Klaić, Class 8

### House makers

In Nikola Tesla Branch School in Moravice, it is always a lively atmosphere and a sign of projects in which students are very happy to participate. They combine their knowledge, speaking skills in a foreign language, and, no less importantly, creativity and originality. And our students have a handful of that!

After covering the teaching contents related to the house (rooms in the house, space outside the house, furniture), 5th-grade students were tasked with creating a house of their own choice, which they then presented in English. They were familiar with the evaluation components in which they actively participated since they evaluated classmates' works attentively following their presentations and the peer assessment components sheet.

Oral project presentations are an excellent way for students to decrease their fear of public speaking, improve their presentation skills and have fun along the way!





# Remembrance Day

Pupils of Branch school Nikola Tesla from Moravice who attend additional classes in English marked Remembrance Day, which is traditionally celebrated on November 11. In honor of the fallen soldiers, events worldwide are held annually on this date, which begins at precisely 11 a.m. Since the soldiers lost their lives in the poppy fields in Normandy, in honor, and memory of the fallen, the event participants wear red poppies. The event is marked by two compositions - The Rouse and The Last Post.

Our students tried to write acronym poems in English, which, read from top to bottom, make up the words Remembrance (=memory) and Poppy.

Creating songs of that kind, they tried something new and exciting and realized they were pretty good at it.

Enjoy reading their poetic achievements.



### Peace is amazing

Peace feels like the wind flowing through my fingers.

Peace sounds like gentle birds singing in the dawn.

Peace smells like flowers after a spring shower.

Peace tastes like the finest Swiss chocolate.

Peace looks like a smiling toddler playing with a pup.

Peace is overwhelming.



Dora Mance, Class 6

# Remember

- Remembering all those who died.
- Eternal glory to the afllen ones.
- Maybe one day we'll understand how hard it was
- Eeach and every lost life.
- Men in the tanks.
- Bad war scenes surrounding them.
- Reality of the emotionless war.
- A great loss.
- Never forgotten.
- Can't be erased.
- Every fatherless, brotherless...memberless family.



Darin Goršić, Class 8



- Royal forces
- Eager to defend the freedom
- Morning breaks
- East awakend by the Sun
- Marked by sound of The Rouse
- Beginning of the end
- Raindrops like tears falling down
- Act of remembrance
- Night full of stars
- Cadets among poppies
- Eternal glory to the fallen ones



Dina Marković, Class 8

#### Remembrance Day

Remembering people who fought for us.

End all wars around the world.

Make peace with everyone.

End unreasonable hate.

Make new friends.

Be nice to everyone.

Remember that there are still wars around us.

All countries unite in peace.

No negative energy.

Countries becoming friends.

Eternal serenity.

Tamara Kljajić, Class 7



#### Remembrance day

Remember the ones who are no longer with us.

Eyes filled with tears of remembrance.

Madness of war horrors.

Everyone shedding a tear.

Months and years passed in sorrow.

Before the war all of them lived peacefully.

Rage fading away.

Aesthetically everything was destroyed.

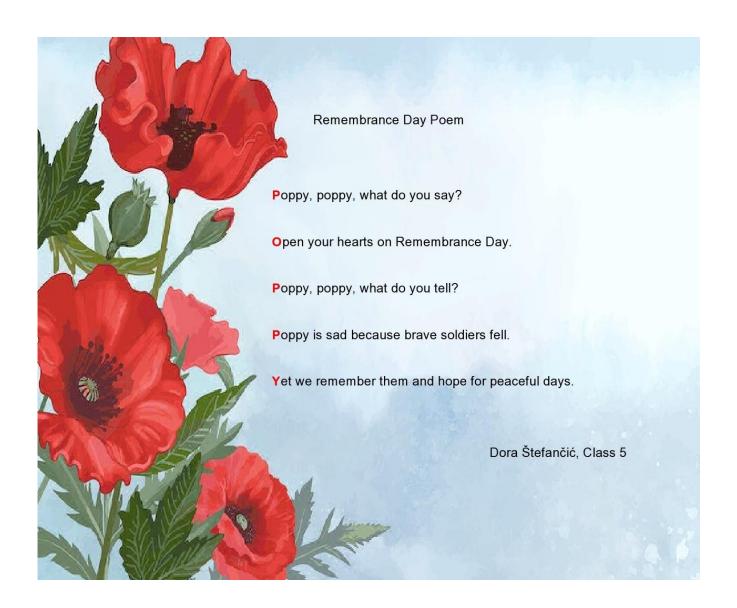
Now we celebrate the lost lives that fought for us.

Counting the numbers.

Every day filled with sadness.









#### My favourite...

My favourite day of the week is Saturday. On Saturday I usually hang out with my cousin and we play video games. We have so much fun together!

My favourite time of the day is morning but not every morning - just the ones when it's weekend because I can sleep longer which is great.

My favourite object is my mobile phone. I mostly play Roblox on it, and I do virtual things like most young people.

My favourite spot in the school is the English classroom. It is so because I like the London stickers on the wall and the paper model of famous building and monuments from the English-speaking countries.

What about you?

Dora Štefančić, Class 5



# Families are the greatest gifts there are

The 3rd class pupils learnt about the family members, after which they made their own family trees, making beautiful drawings of their loved one and presenting them to their classmates and the teacher.

They had fun making the family trees, and they learnt how to present them!





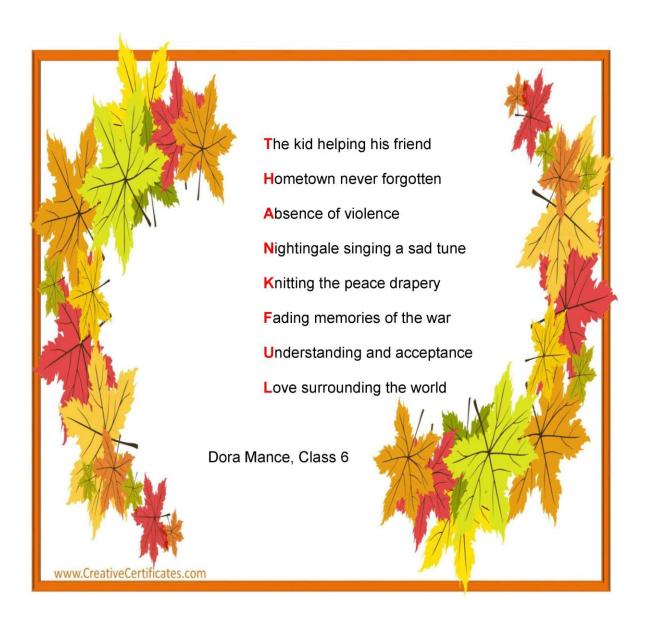


## Thanksgiving Day

Pupils of Branch school Nikola Tesla from Moravice also marked Thanksgiving Day or Thanksgiving Day. First and second graders heard the story of the first Thanksgiving and made Thanksgiving crowns that they proudly wore in the school hallways. Third graders read a mini booklet about Thanksgiving Day, which they colored and personalized. The students, students of additional Classes in English, tried once again to write an acronym poem on the word Thankful. How successful they were, read on.







#### **Thanksgiving Day Poem**

True empathy

#### Happines to share



Loyalty

Dina Marković, Class 8

#### Thanksgiving day

Thinking comes to my head but quickly leaves the premises.

Head full of butterflies and bees because flowers bloom in it.

Aaaah I can't wait for the turkey day.

Nice cold weather is a sign of frosty winter.

Kind effort to remain a good man as you are.

She is sad because worries creep into her mind.

Go on a long journey to nowhere.

I offer you food to ease your hunger hunger.

View of the world today beings tears into my eyes.

I need help to plant the wheat of peace.

Now it's time of hope and tranquility.

Giving the fruits to those in need is a sign that you are rich in heart.



#### **Thanksgiving Day Poem**

Thinking of ones, I love

Having a thankful Thanksgiving dinner

An amazing light in our hearts

Need deep inside to help people

Knowing the true value of Thanksgiving Day

Friendly spark in my eye

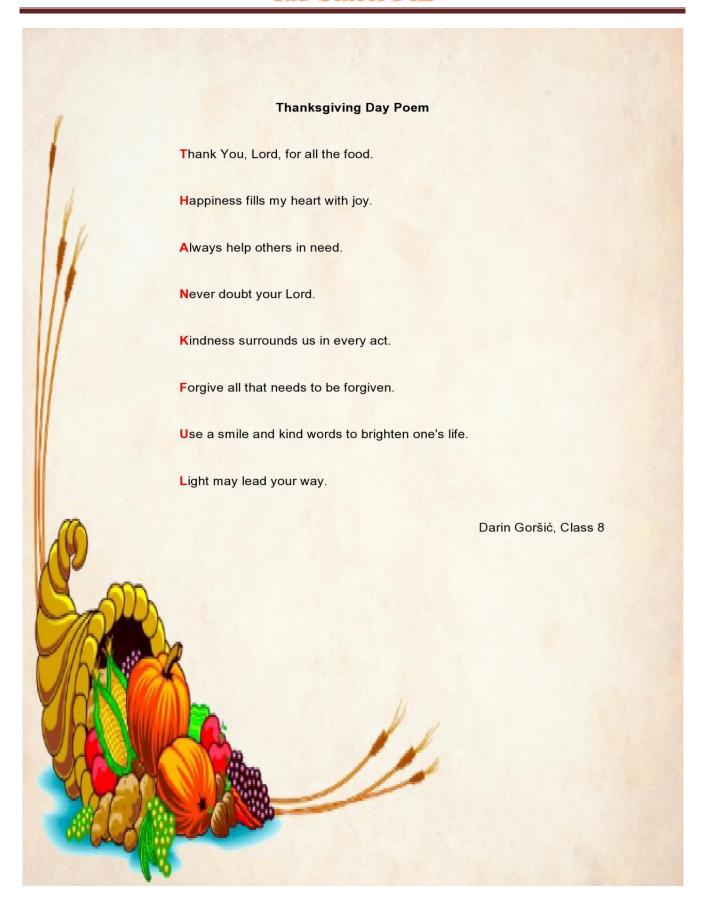
Understanding and empathy

Love, complete and endless



Tamara Kljajić, Class 7







## Having fun in the house

The 3rd class pupils of Branch school Nikola Tesla from Moravice learned about the rooms in the house and parts of furniture. However, to make learning more attractive to them, we also included play in the teaching process. Namely, the students had rooms in the house written on a larger piece of white paper. Listening to the teacher, they found specific wooden furniture and placed it in a given space. Of course, there were also pieces of furniture not processed in EJ classes, so they had to recognize this furniture by the teacher's description. They sorted the furniture in a wacky way. Hence, the television was in the garden, a kitchen bed, a living room refrigerator, etc. In this way, the students repeated and established the learned vocabulary. Along the way, they also played and had fun. English is proof that learning and playing go hand in hand. If you don't believe us, come to us in Moravice and

enjoy!



## What makes a great weekend

What makes a great weekend? It is a commonly asked question. From the teenager's perspective, the weekend is a time of rest and fun. Some teenagers go out at the weekends, some study for the next week, and some do activities like sports practice or relaxation. I take time off from studying. But everyone needs to take time off from school and work. For me, a great weekend needs to be fun and exciting.

Darin Goršić, Class 8



A great weekend is going out with friends or family. It's crucial whom we spend our weekends with when we are out with someone who makes us happy (When you are out). I need my weekends because I get stressed a lot of cause of school, and when it's the weekend, I go out with my friends or family. For me, that's the best weekend. Enjoy it with friends or family wales is excellent.



Dina Marković, Class 8

The excellent weekend starts on Friday afternoon. When I put my schoolbag in the room, I can make a plan. Great weekend. It depends on the weather. I like to walk with my friends and my dog if it's sunny. If it's raining, I want to spend all weekend in my bed watching TV or listening to music. Then pajamas are my favourite clothes. The great weekend also depends on the teachers. If I don't have homework, then it's a perfect weekend.



Doris Klaić, Class 8

## My best friend

Hello, everyone! I'm going to tell you something about my bestie. So, my bestie's name is Ana (Lorena and Petra are my friends, too, but for this composition, I chose Ana). She is eleven years old. She is from Moravice. She has got dark brown eyes, and she is short and slim. She gossips a bit but not that much. She is a perfect friend, and I wouldn't change anything about her. She keeps secrets, and I trust her. She is very loyal. Yesterday I fell, and she immediately ran to me and asked me if I was ok. She is my best friend because we have known each other for seven years and have stayed on good terms during all those years. That's it, bye!

Dora Štefančić, Class 5

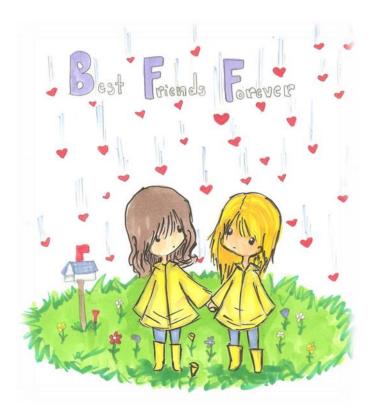


My friend's name is Dora Štefančić. She's 10 years old. Soon, she will celebrate her 11th birthday. She lives in Brod Moravice( Moravička sela). She has got short brown hair and big brown eyes. She is slim. She likes to travel, especially to other countries. She keeps secrets, but not everything. She's terrific and caring. She likes to gossip, but not too much. She is my best friend because I trust her.





My best friend's name is Dora. Dore is 11 years old, and she lives in Brod Moravice. I love to hang out with her because she is a good person. When I am sad, she always cheers me up. Dora has small brown eyes and short brown hair. She likes to wear nice clothes. We like to play video games and hide and seek when we are together. Sometimes, after school, we stay in the park or go to my place. I also like going to Dora's home because we ride bikes there. We like to walk, and we never use our cell phones. I love Dora, and she will always be my best friend.



Lorena Trbović, Class 5

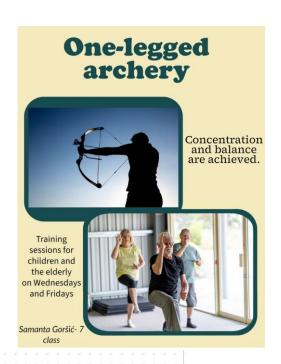
## Wacky workouts

The 7 class students did a project on wacky workouts. We all know of football, basketball, baseball, and so on, but what about running backwards? Or doga? Have you even heard of those? Doga is, believe it or not, yoga with your pet dog.

So 7th graders had to present some wacky physical activity in terms of saying how it is done, where, which equipment is needed and how does it improve one's health.

Take a look at their posters to find out more!







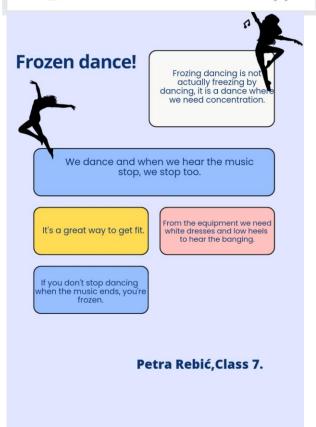
KARLO LABAZAN CLASS 7

# nolleybal

this sport is called nolleyball because a lot people would asume that this sport is a normal volleyball but its not. you can play nolleyball with your legs, hands even head!

you can play nolleyball outside and inside. the rules are the same as volleyball rules are but you can use every part of your body to play it not just hands. and that is what makes the two sports different. the good thing is that you dont have to worry if ur gonna touch the ball with your leg or something. you dont need any equipment to play nolleyball but the only thing you need is to be relaxed and happy while playing.

#### Tamara Kljajic





## RUNNING BACKWARD

Running backwards is a fun new activity that anyone can do at any time!



Would you like to try it? Well then come to our "Running backwards competiton" where you can try something new, have fun and win a lot of prizes.

You just need to know a few things about it: 1. this activity can be hard so you first need to start running slow

2. proper shoes are a "must have" here

 proper clothes, you can't really come in jeans and a shirt. We recommend sweatpants or leggins and a t-shirt



SARA KARABATKOVIĆ

## Spreading the Xmas joy

In the past few days, the Primary School Nikola Tesla students from Moravice enjoyed Christmas activities in English language classes. So they wrote letters to Santa, played games with vocabulary related to the upcoming holiday, made their own Christmas minibooks, and read a storybook, The Story of Santa Claus. Students who attend additional English language classes rounded off their previous work with a special celebration on the last day before going on a well-deserved winter holiday.







I like Christmas! I love it! It's my favourite holiday. On Christmas Day, I do what people usually do.

I usually get up at 6 am on Christmas day. I don't know why I get up so early, but I do. Then I run downstairs to the tree in front of my house and start opening presents. I'm not very quiet, so I wake up everyone in the house who's sleeping. And if my sister would get up first, she would do the same thing. Later in the day, my mum prepares a delicious Christmas lunch, and all our family and friends gather around the Christmas table. Everybody loves it. After lunch, it's time for the firework.

That day is not just about the presents (which are great!), but about love and understanding and cherishing the precious moments with loved ones.

Dora Štefančić, Class 5



# My favourite animal

4<sup>th</sup>-grade students chose an animal of their choice, which they visually presented to the class. They described the habitat of the selected animal, body appearance, colour, diet, and options.

They were very successful in accomplishing the task!





## Seasons, weather & clothes

3rd graders learnt to name seasons, weather, and clothing. Therefore, they visually depicted themselves through all four seasons and described the weather conditions that prevail then and what they wore. The work was beautiful and neat, and the presentation was very successful.





# Project: My droid

Students of the 6<sup>th</sup> class learnt about high technology with a special emphasis on the droids of modern times. They were reminded of some film droids like TPO and R2D2 from The Star Wars. Their task was to design and create their own droid, name it, describe it in detail and present its possibilities.

They were very successful in this!

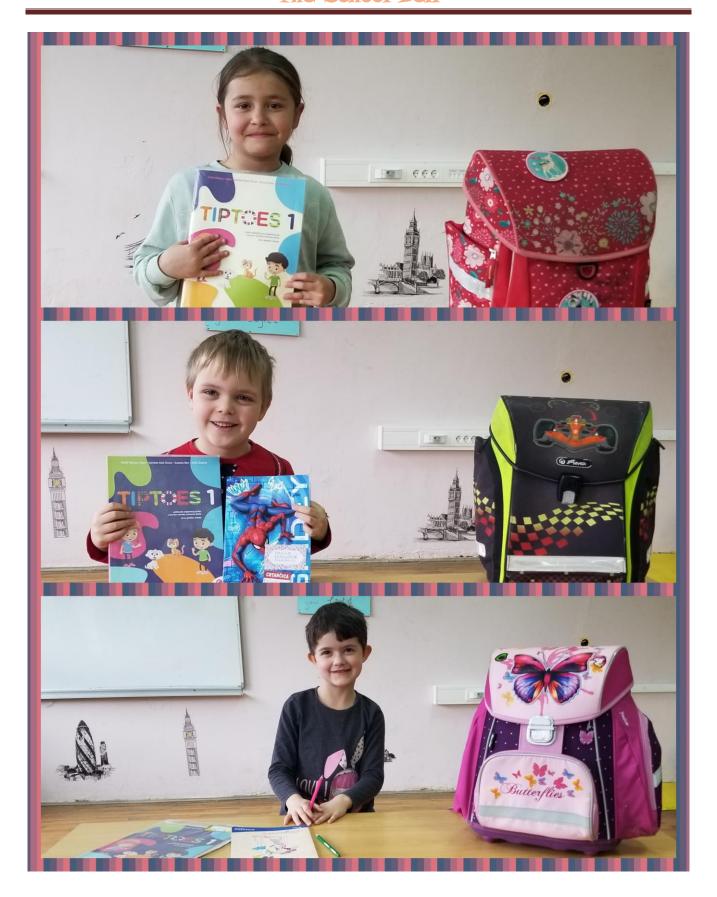


# Youngsters rule in speaking $\odot$



The first and second graders successfully completed a project in the field of speaking. Namely, the first graders presented their school items by naming them and describing them with color while the second graders presented their favourite animals by naming them, describing them with colour and stating what they can do. They completed the presentation with their own drawings.





## 3rd state HUPE in Storyland competition

Seven students of the Nikola Tesla Branch School from Moravice participated in the state competition in writing a short story of up to 2000 words called HUPE in Storyland, published by the Croatian Association of Teachers of English Language lasted from December 15, 2022, to January 15, 2023. Students competed in two categories: 5th and 6th grade and 7th and 8th grade. The 5th-grade student **Dora Štefančić** won 9th place (among the first 13% and the 6th-grade student **Dora Mance** 17th place (among the top 25%) out of 69 participants in the category of the 5th and 6th grade. In the category of the 7th and 8th grade, out of 94 received work, 7th-grade student **Petra Rebić**, as well as eighth-graders **Darin Goršić** and **Dina Marković**, share 37th place (first 40%). The 7th-grade student **Tamara Kljajić** took 43rd place (preferably 46%). The best result was achieved by the 8th-grade student **Doris Klaić**, who won 3rd place at the state level in the category of the 7th and 8th grade and will be awarded a certificate for the 3rd place as well as a gift from the sponsor of this year's competition — Školska knjiga and the one of the Croatian Association of Teachers of English Language. The works of all students will be published in the joint book HUPE in Storyland, and all will receive certificates of participation.

Congratulations to all our students

on their participation and the results achieved!



# 11th international HIPPO English Without Borders Olympiad



On Friday, March 17th, students from all our schools (Vrbovsko, Severin na Kupi, and Moravice) competed in the 11th international competition in English HIPPO English Without Borders Olympiad. Given their age, they competed in three categories: Hippo 1 (4th and 5th grade), Hippo 2 (6th grade), and Hippo 3 (7th and 8th grade). A total of 30 students participated in the competition and demonstrated knowledge of reading comprehension and the use of English. The students from the Nikola Tesla Branch School from Moravice who competed are: Andrea Mance (class 4 – Hippo 1), Dora Štefančić (class 5 – Hippo 1), Dora Mance (class 6 – Hippo 2), Tamara Kljajić, Sara Karabatković and Petra Rebić (class 7 – Hippo 3), and Darin Goršić and Dina Marković (class 8 – Hippo 3).

The results, which will be announced in April, are eagerly awaited!







## 11th international Willkommen competiton



On Saturday, March 4th, seven students from the Nikola Tesla Branch School from Moravice competed in the 11th international Willkommen competition. The competition offers three languages in which one can compete: English, German and French. Our students competed in, of course – English. Given the year of birth, they competed in four categories: Willkommen 1, Willkommen 2, Willkommen 3 and Hippo 4. They demonstrated knowledge of reading comprehension, the use of English and writing an essay. The students who competed are: Dora Štefančić (Willkommen 1), Dora Mance (Willkommen 2), Tamara Kljajić (Willkommen 3), Sara Karabatković, Petra Rebić, Darin Goršić and Dina Marković (Willkommen 4).

The results, which will be announced in April, are eagerly awaited!



## HUPE in Storyland award ceremony

March 30th at the Nikola Tesla Elementary School in Moravice was a joyful and solemn day. Students of our school **Darin Goršić**, **Dina Marković**, **Doris Klaić**, **Petra Rebić**, **Tamara Kljajić**, **Dora Mance** and **Dora Štefančić** were formally presented with certificates for participation in the national competition in writing short stories up to 2000 words organized by the Croatian Association of Teachers of English Language. At the competition, which received 69 papers in the category of 5th and 6th grade and 94 works in the category of 7th and 8th grade, our students achieved excellent success. Namely, they all placed in the top 50% of the best in the Republic of Croatia. Particularly successful were Dora Štefančić, who took a high 9th out of 69 places and Doris Klaić who took 3rd place in the overall standings of 94 students. As the third-place finisher in the Republic of Croatia, in addition to the certificate, she was also presented with awards from the Croatian Association of Teachers of English Language (a smartwatch) and this year's sponsor Školska knjiga (a gift bag with books, wireless keyboard and a wireless mouse).

Our Doris and Dora also did their first official interview that day, which you was published on the pages of Novi list.

We are extremely proud of the success of our students and we heartily wish them a lot of success in further competitions. Let this competition be just one step in the way of future successes!



### The first interview

On Thursday, 30 March, students Doris Klaić and Dora Štefančić did their first interview with Novi list journalist Marinko Krmpotić, in which they revealed to him what they wrote about, what were their expectations regarding the **HUPE** in the Storyland contest and what they plan

to do in the future.

USPJEH OŠ »Nikola Tesla« iz Moravica - rasadnik talenta

## Doris Klaić i Dora **Stefančić majstorice** engleske kratke priče

To je potvrda nadarenosti, znanja i truda svih nas, odnosno poruka da kako i iz malih sredina učenici mogu biti uspješni i na državnoj razini, rekla je profesorica engleskog Davorka Nekić

#### Marinko KRMPOTIĆ

MORAVICE » Iako ukupno broji svega 37 učenika, Po-dručna škola »Nikola Tesla« iz Moravica - koja je dio OŠ Ivana Girana Kovačića iz Vr-Ivana Girana Koyačića iz Vr-bovskog - na nedavno zavr-šenom državnom školskom natjecanju u pisanju kratke priče na engleskom jeziku imala je čak dvije učenice s plasmanom u prvih deset u svojim kategorijama! Doris Klaić je u kategoriji sedmih i osmih razreda, koja je okupilo 94 natjecatelja, osvojila sjajno treće mjesto, a Dora Stefan-čić je u uzrastu petih i šestih razreda u konkurenciji 69 ra-dova osvojila deveto mjesto! Njihova nastavnica Davorka Nekić kaže nam je riječ o dr-žavnome natječaju u pisanju kratke priče do 2.000 riječi na engleskom jeziku. Inspiracija - izlet

#### Inspiracija - izlet u Čazmu

- Pod nazivom »HUPE in the Storyland« natječaj je or-ganiziralo Hrvatsko udruženje ganiziralo Hrvatsko udruženje profesora engleskoga jezika, svi učenici koji su sudjelova-li dobit će certifikate, a Doris će za osvojeno treće mjesto donijeti i bodove pri upisu u srednju školu. Svi radovi će biti objavljeni u knjizi -HUPE in the Storyland«, a Doris će dobiti nagradu sponzora ovogodišnjega natječaja Školske knjige, kao i nagradu Hrvatskoga udruženja profesora engleskoga jezika – rekla je prof. Nekić.

Doris Klaić za ideju o svojoj

Doris Klaić za ideju o svojoj priči došla je, kaže nam, na-kon prošlogodišnjeg božićnog izleta u Čazmu na mnogima poznatu, božićnim ukrasima



Dora i Doris sa svojim priznanjima i nagradama

bogatu farmu obitelji Salaj. --Meni i bratu baš se i ni-je išlo, ali mama je zapela da idemo, pa smo morali. Ja i on ni nakon tog izleta baš nismo promijenili stavove, ali mami je bilo super i nakon milijun iznulja vidjela je i onu milijun i prvu pa smo na kraju bili svi ipak zadovoljni. Kad je nastav-nica predložila da napišemo neku priču na engleskom je-ziku, meni je na pamet palo da obradim taj naš doživljaj i tako je nastala priča »A Shiny Christmas Nightmare« (Bije-štava božična noćna mora). Meni i bratu baš se i ni štava božićna noćna mo Naravno, tu sam onda uklju-čila to moje i bratovo protiv-ljenje pa u svemu ima dosta humora i ironije. Sve je skupa

bilo dovoljno za ovaj uspjeh koji, da budem iskrena, i nikoji, da budem iskrena, i ni-sam očekivala jer je konkuren-cija bila vrlo jaka, rekla nam je Doris, koja pohada osmi razred i planira školovanje nastaviti u Rijeci, u Medicin-skoj školi.

#### Dora je sve izmaštala

Dora je sve izmaštala
na hrvatskom pa prevela na
engleski, a mala »petašica«
Dora Štefančić odmah je pisala na engleskom! Za razliku od Doris, koja je obradila
doživljaj iz stvarnosti, Dora
je sve izmaštala – u njezinoj
priči nazvanoj »Magical Forest« (Čarobna šuma) mala
djevojčica bježi iz zidinama

opasanog grada u čarobnu i vrlo opasnu šumu ne bi li ondje pronašla nestalu majku. U šumi će susresti vile, patuljke i mnogo drugih bića, doživjeti svašta te – pronaći mamu! Dora voli, rekla nam je, maštati, pa joj nije bilo teško saložitiko ovu priću koja bi mogla imati i nastavak. – Jako volim engleski i već sam pisala na engleskom koji učim u školi, ali i iz igrica, filmova i na YouTubeu, kao i od mamine prijateljice, koja jako dobro govori engleski, rekla nam je Dora, koja smamom koja radi u moravačkoj osnovnoj školi dolazi z usijednih Brod Moravica. Njihova nastavnica Davoravačka i producija su susjednih Brod Moravica.

vackoj osnovnoj skoli dolazi su susjednih Brod Moravica. Njihova nastavnica Davorska Nekić vrlo je zadovoljna ostvarenim rezultatima, ali i kvalitetom HUPE natjecanja. Otvorena je nova kategorija (pet i šesti razred), povećan broj sudionika, sustav natjecanja je vrlo kvalitetan jer se radovi ocjenjuju pod šifrom i svi su u potpuro ravnopravnom položaju. To je posebno dobro za nasiz malih sredina jer djeca radije sudjeluju. Prošle godine smo prvi put sudjelovali i imali dobre rezultate, a ove je to još bolje. Naravno da je to potvrda nadarenosti, znanja i truda svih nas; odnosno poruka da i iz malih sredina učenici mogu biti uspješni na državnoj razimi, rekla je profesorica Nekić.

#### Nema mirovanja

THEOVANJA

Uz Doru i Doris na natjecanju su iz OŠ «Nikola Teslas sudjelovali još i - Dora Mance (17. u kategoriji 5 i 6. razreda), Darin Goršić, Dina Marković i Petra Rebić 43. te Tamara Kljajić 50. u kategoriji 7. i 8. razreda. Uspjeh ne znači i mirovanje pa se moravački osnovci pripremaju za nova međunarodna natjecanja - Willkommen i HIPPO, na kojem su lani bili vrio uspješni.



Mala škola za velike uspjehe i njezin 3D trio - prof. Davorka Nekić, Doris Klaić i Dora Štefančić

## Fun workshops for the youngsters

The last day before spring break was lively and happy in the Elementary School Nikola Tesla in Moravice. Although spring break was at our door, we did not rest. Our first graders read and then watched the short-animated film **A Very Hungry Caterpillar**, based on which we repeated food and colours. This was followed by an art workshop on making caterpillars from toilet paper rolls that they decorated according to their own wishes. At that time, the second graders were enjoying the story and the short film **A Gingerbread Man**, after which we recalled the names of the animals and learnt a valuable lesson: Be careful who you trust! This was followed by a workshop on making a gingerbread man out of white clay, which they decorated as they wished, and in doing so, they were creative and successful. Our fourth graders remembered Easter traditions and made commemorative decorations- Easter bunnies- in the spirit of the upcoming holiday.

We were creative but above all, we had a great time!



## International Willkommen English competition

#### 2023

In March, seven students of the Nikola Tesla Elementary School from Moravice competed in the International Competition in English Willkommen organized by NEKEC Willkommen, where they achieved excellent results.

Of the seven competitors (Dora Štefančić, Dora Mance, Sara Karabatković, Tamara Kljajić, Petra Rebić, Darin Goršić and Dina Marković), three of them advanced to the further round of the competition, which will be held on Saturday, April 22.

These are three students who took the top three places in Croatia in the categories in which they competed.

Dora Štefančić, 5th grade student, won 1st place in the country in the Willkommen 2 category by winning all 50 points.

Tamara Kljajić, 7th grade student, won 3rd place in the country in the Willkommen 3 category, winning 47 out of 50 points.

Sara Karabatković, a 7th grade student, won 2nd place in the country in the Willkommen 4 category, winning 47 out of 50 points.

## The School Bell

The results of all categories can be viewed at: <a href="https://www.willkommen.org.rs/croatia-2023/">https://www.willkommen.org.rs/croatia-2023/</a>

We heartily congratulate all students on their great success!





## International HIPPO English Without Borders

## Olympiad semi-finals

In March, eight Nikola Tesla Elementary School students from Moravice competed in the International Competition in English HIPPO English Without Borders, where they achieved excellent results.

Of the eight competitors (Andrea Mance, Dora Štefančić, Dora Mance, Sara Karabatković, Tamara Kljajić, Petra Rebić, Darin Goršić, and Dina Marković), one of them advanced to the further round of the competition, which will be held on Saturday, April 22.

Dora Štefančić, the 5th grade student, qualified for the world semi-finals as one of

Croatia's 10% of the best students.

We heartily congratulate all students on their great success and give big applause to our Dora!

The world semi-finals took place on Saturday, April 22 in Nikola Tesla Branch School in Moravice.





## Second round of Willkommen international competition

On Saturday, April 22, three students of Nikola Tesla Branch School from Moravice took part in the 2nd round of the international Willkommen competition in the English language.

Dora Štefančić, a 5th-class pupil, competed in category Willkommen 2 after winning 1st place in Croatia.

Tamara Kljajić, a 7th-class pupil, competed in category Willkommen 3 after winning 3rd place in Croatia.

Sara Karabatković competed in category Willkommen 4 after winning 2nd place in Croatia.

The tests consisted of listening comprehension, reading comprehension, and essay writing.

The results are expected on May 10.







## Kinda famous ©



YES Učenice iz Moravica briljirale na »Willkommenu«

# Bravo za Doru,

Na velikom natjecanju zvanom Willkommen (engleski, njemački i francuski jezik) tri učenice moravičke škole osvojile su tri medalje. Najsjajniju, zlatnu i prvo mjesto osvojila je Dora Štefančić u kategoriji Willkommen 2, Sara Karabatković druga je u kategoriji Willkommen 4, a Tamara Kljajić treća u kategoriji Willkommen 3

#### Marinko KRMPOTIĆ

MORAVICE \*\* Novi uspjesi MORAVICE \*\* Novi uspjesi na državnim natjecanjima iz engleskog jezika za Područnu školu Nikola Tesla iz Moravica polako postaju pravilo. Tako su na velikom natjecanju zvanom Willkommen (engleski, njemački i francuski jezik) tri učenice ove škole uzele tri medalje svih vrsta. Najsjajniju, zlatnu i prvo mjesto osvojila je Dora Štefančić u kategoriji Willkommen 2, Sara Karabatković je druga u kategoriji Willkommen 4, a Tamara Kljajić treća u kategoriji Willkommen

#### BROJNOST

Zemlje koje su ove godine sudjelovale na natjecanju bile su Hrvatska, Srbija, Bosna i Hercegovina, Sjeverna Makedonija, Crna Gora, Vijetnam, Hong Kong, Makao, Ukrajina, Mađarska i Belgija

3. Naravno, oznake po kate-3. Naravno, oznake po kate-gorijama vezane su uz uzrast pa je tako Dora sudjelovala u natjecanju učenika šestih ra-zreda, a Tamara i Sara borile su se vršnjacima iz sedmog

Ponosne cure

Ove je učenice za nastup pripremala profesorica Davorka Nekić koja nam je rekla da je njemački naziv najecanja posljedica činjenice da je to natjecanje pokrenuo njemačko-austrijski edukativi centar koji djeluje u Srbiji.

- Do 2017. godine to se natecanje održavalo samo u Srbiji, a od te se godine širi pa je, primjerice, ove godine u natjecanju sudjelovalo oko 80.000 učenika. Zemlje koje su sudjelovale ove godine bile su Hrvatska, Srbija, Bosna i Hercegovina, Sjeverna Makedonija, Crna Gora, Vijetnam, Hong Kong, Makao, Ukrajina, Madarska i Belgija. Natjecanje se odvija na nekoliko razina - čitanje s razumi jevanjem, upotreba jezika te pisanje pri čemu svaki učenik dobije odreden broj riječi koje moraju i skoristiti pri pisanju na određenu temu. Uglavnom

Drago mi je zbog uspjeha, moji su roditelji ponosni na mene i ja sam, naravno - sretna, a sve da još više učim engleski kojeg zbilja volim

smo se za natjecanje pripre-mali kroz dopunsku nastavu, a cure su i same dodatno radile, rekla je prof. Davorka Nekić. A male » Engleskinje« s ra-zlogom su ponosne. Najmlada Dora Stefancić (šesti razred) koja je ove godine već sudje-lovala u polufinalu velikog međunarodnog HIPPO natje-canja kaže da nije bilo teško.

#### Ponosni roditelji

 Natjecanje je bilo preko zooma pa nisam nikoga mo-gla upoznati. Naravno, drago mi je zbog uspjeha, moji su roditelji ponosni na mene i ja sam, naravno - sretna, a sve me to dodatno motivira da

#### Mali poligloti

Uz učenike PŠ Nikola
Tesla ove škoiske godine u
natjecanjima iz stranih jezika sudjelovali su i učenici
iz matične Osnovne škole
Ivana Gorana Kovadića
iz Vrbovskog te Područne škole Severin na Kupi.
Ukupno se natjecalo njih
trideset i troje, a uz spomenute učenice iz Moravica
vrlo uspješni su bili, te nastupil i u politinalu Hippo
natjecanja još i Auren Samuel Vaccino, (Severin na
Kupi te Vanessa Gvozden
i Saša Mamula (Vrbovsko).
Njihove su mentorice bile
učiteljice engleskog jezika
Jasmina Krakar i Biljana
Ivošević.

još više učim engleski kojeg zbilja volim, kaže Dora koja već navikla na uspjehe. Drugačije je sa Sarom Karabatković koja voli engleski. Sa na nagovor nastavnice.

- Sve mije bilo potpumo nepasto pa sam išla s mišlju da natecanje tek na nagovor nastavnice.

- Sve mije bilo potpumo nepasto pa sam išla s mišlju da postava i dam sve od sebe na što bude. Kad ono - drugo mjesto u Hrvatskoj Ma super. To me silno motivira za dalpiji rad i to ne samo za engleski. već i za druge predmete. Od jezika najviše volim englesi, ali općenito volim jezike i jako mi se svidaju francuski te pogotovo španjolski, rekia nam je Sara.
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taking part in its creation

being my constant inspiration

