

Dear Parents,

The Christmas season – a time of winter magic, joy, and togetherness – has filled our school with a festive atmosphere. I would like to share a few updates from our school life with you and at the same time thank you sincerely for your support throughout the year.

In recent weeks, the children have been working with great enthusiasm. Christmas carols echoed through the hallways as they diligently rehearsed for our traditional Christmas concert in the church, and the classrooms were filled with a warm Advent atmosphere full of creativity, singing, and joyful anticipation.

I also view our newly introduced assemblies very positively, as they have become an important part of school life. Each month, we focus together on one theme that helps children develop not only their knowledge, but also their character, relationships, and social skills. I am truly delighted to see how beautifully the children respond to these themes – greeting others politely and behaving kindly and respectfully toward one another.

One of our classes embraced the November theme of kindness in a particularly active way: they visited a nearby animal shelter together, offering their presence as well as small donations. It is a joy to see how children are able to transfer the values we talk about into real life.

The Advent season reminds us of how important it is to slow down, look around us, and appreciate the small joys and good deeds that shape our school community.

Thank you, dear parents, for being part of our shared story. Thanks to your trust and cooperation, our school is a place where children can grow safely, discover the world, and learn to live with open hearts.



I would also like to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to our Christmas concert on 18 December. It was a beautiful and moving moment for the children and for all of us.

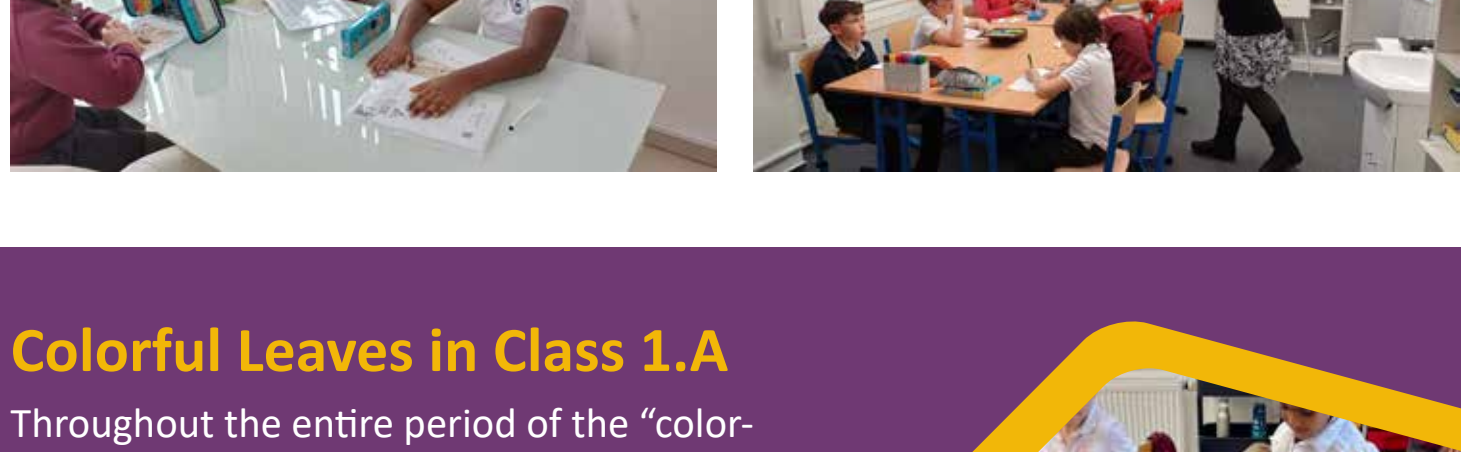
With kind regards,
Šárka Ochmanová

December Visitor in 2.A – Elfie from the North Pole

Since the beginning of December, our class has had a very special guest – a little elf from the North Pole! He came to make our wait for Christmas more fun and to bring a bit of magic and excitement to our classroom. We have to say, he takes his job very seriously... even if he sometimes does things a little his own way.

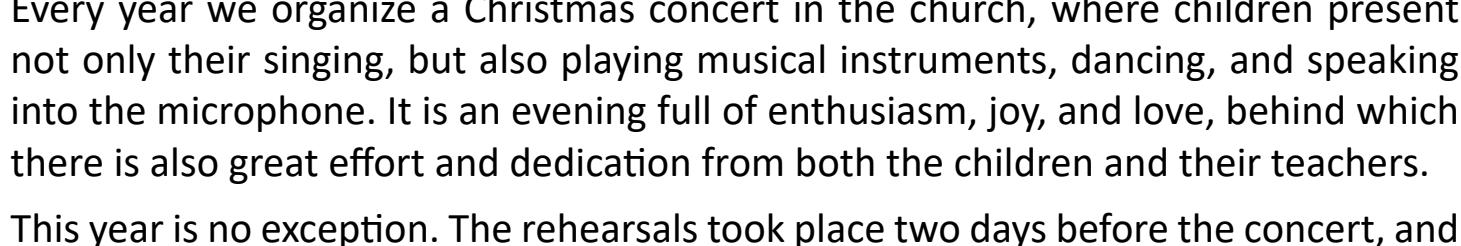
Every day, the elf surprises us with something new. Sometimes he sets up a little mischief, other times he leaves a small task or a tiny surprise. Thanks to him, the whole class looks forward each morning to see what he will come up with next.

We are excited to see what other surprises our December friend has in store. One thing is for sure – this year's wait for Christmas will be unforgettable thanks to him!



The Curious Academy, “Akademie zvědavých”, has finally launched

In cooperation with Mrs. Kivanc – the mother of one of our students, who has many years of experience working with gifted children abroad and who also prepared an introductory seminar for our parents – we were able to set in motion a project we have been planning for quite some time. The Academy offers a space where children not only “complete tasks” but mainly explore, create, discover, and learn to connect different fields through projects, logical games, and inquiry-based challenges. Its aim is to develop each child's potential and support the joy of learning. We believe we will build a community of young thinkers who eagerly seek answers to both big and small questions about the world – and that a beautiful and inspiring journey lies ahead of us.



Colorful Leaves in Class 1.A

Throughout the entire period of the “colorful autumn,” the first graders brought the most beautiful leaves of all possible colors to school.

Their teacher carefully pressed them, and then the time finally came to choose the winners of the competition “The Most Beautiful Leaf.”

All the leaves were laid out on long sheets of wrapping paper, and the children voted for their favorites using colored sticks.

In the end, there were several winners. Their leaves were displayed in an exhibition and decorated the classroom until Advent.

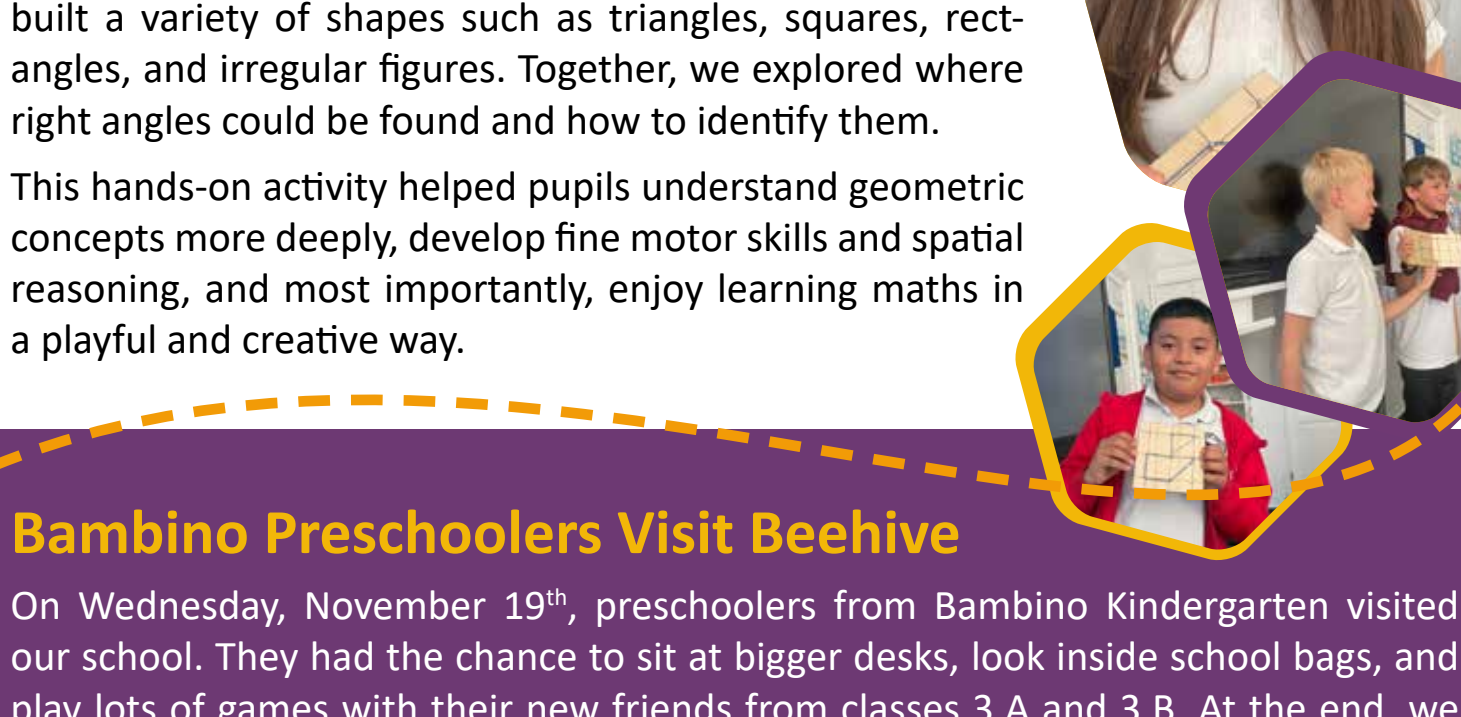


Christmas Concert

Every year we organize a Christmas concert in the church, where children present not only their singing, but also playing musical instruments, dancing, and speaking into the microphone. It is an evening full of enthusiasm, joy, and love, behind which there is also great effort and dedication from both the children and their teachers.

This year is no exception. The rehearsals took place two days before the concert, and now we are all looking forward to the important date – December 18, when the concert will take place in the early evening.

Please keep your fingers crossed for all of us!



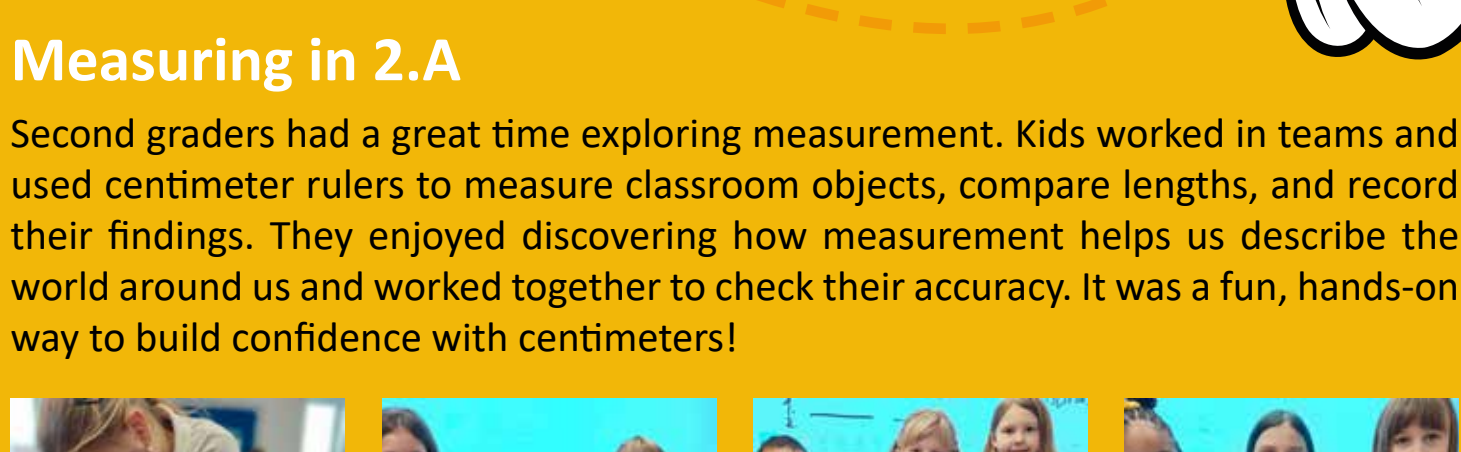
School Traditions: St. Nicholas with a Musical Surprise

Traditions are very important at our bilingual school. One of them is the festive visit of St. Nicholas, devils, and angels. Our oldest students – the fifth graders – dress up in costumes and walk through the entire school with St. Nicholas.

This year, St. Nicholas was once again the “old wise man,” as the children call him, but with an amazing musical talent. Last year, he enchanted everyone with his saxophone; this year he brought a clarinet. He played a traditional carol for each class, and the children could sing along with him – a truly magical musical experience that brightened the whole school.

Meanwhile, the angels distributed Advent calendars to all children, even to those who were a little afraid of St. Nicholas and the devils. For the fifth graders, this tradition was not only a joy but also an important team-building experience – learning responsibility: to be a little scary, but never make anyone cry. Since our school has very sensitive and empathetic children, the fifth graders handled everything with great care and understanding.

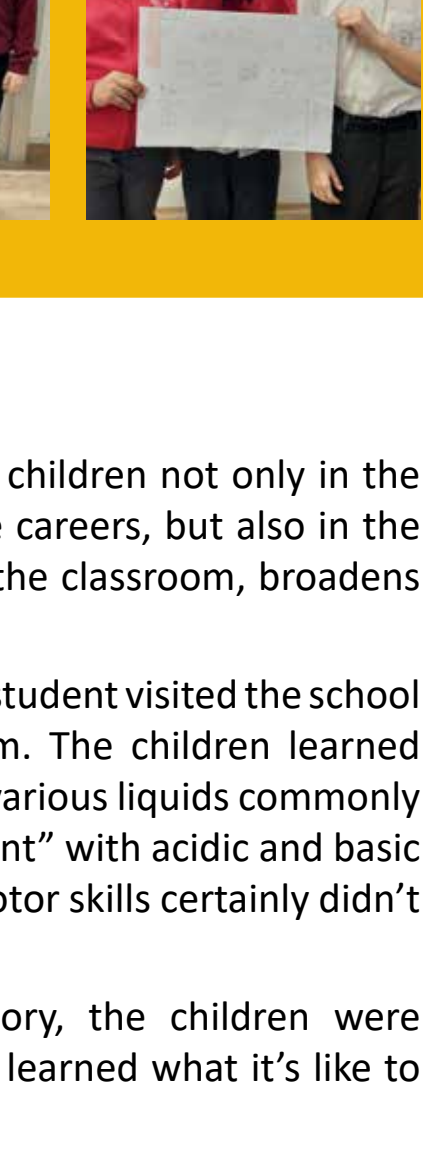
The whole event was a wonderful experience for our school, reminding us how valuable our traditions are and how they can bring children and teachers together.



Modeling Right Angles Geoboards

In 4.A, our math lesson focused on recognizing and creating right angles. Using geoboards and rubber bands, students built a variety of shapes such as triangles, squares, rectangles, and irregular figures. Together, we explored where right angles could be found and how to identify them.

This hands-on activity helped pupils understand geometric concepts more deeply, develop fine motor skills and spatial reasoning, and most importantly, enjoy learning maths in a playful and creative way.



Bambino Preschoolers Visit Beehive

On Wednesday, November 19th, preschoolers from Bambino Kindergarten visited our school. They had the chance to sit at bigger desks, look inside school bags, and play lots of games with their new friends from classes 3.A and 3.B. At the end, we sang a song about musicians accompanied by a guitar and acted out the fairy tale “O Koblížkovi”. We believe that we will be meeting many of these children at our school from September.



My School

**School is cool,
A place to learn.
With every day,
There's a new turn.
Books and pencils,
Friends to meet,
Learning together
Oh, so sweet.
We read
And sometimes play.
School is fun
In every way.
With teachers,
Kids, and friends
So true...
Every day,
There's something new!**



Measuring in 2.A

Second graders had a great time exploring measurement. Kids worked in teams and used centimeter rulers to measure classroom objects, compare lengths, and record their findings. They enjoyed discovering how measurement helps us describe the world around us and worked together to check their accuracy. It was a fun, hands-on way to build confidence with centimeters!



Extracurricular Lesson at Beehive

Meeting experts from various fields is highly beneficial for children not only in the upper grades, when they begin thinking about their future careers, but also in the lower grades. Such a lesson brings a refreshing change to the classroom, broadens children's horizons, and sparks their natural curiosity.

Our fifth graders experienced exactly that when a chemistry student visited the school and prepared an engaging demonstration lesson for them. The children learned what acids and bases are and experimented with the pH of various liquids commonly found in the kitchen. They also discovered that you can “paint” with acidic and basic solutions and that a straw can be used as a pipette—fine motor skills certainly didn't rest during chemistry!

Before the classroom transformed into a small laboratory, the children were introduced to safety rules for conducting experiments and learned what it's like to work in a real lab.

In the second part of the lesson, the students learned how crystals form in nature, what saturated and unsaturated solutions are, and why more sugar cubes dissolve in hot tea. Together with the instructor, they prepared three salt solutions from which crystals will gradually grow in our classroom. We are already looking forward to seeing how this long-term experiment turns out!



Exploring Solubility in Math and Science

This month in English Math and Science, our class explored the concept of solubility through hands-on experiments. We tested a variety of everyday substances—flour, salt, sugar, cornflour, and baking powder—by mixing them with water to discover which ones are soluble (able to dissolve) and which are insoluble.

Through our investigations, students made predictions, observed changes, and recorded results just like real scientists. Along the way, we also learned important new science vocabulary, including solvent, solute, and solution, and used these terms to describe what we saw happening in our mixtures.

It was an exciting lesson of discovery, curiosity, and scientific thinking!

Gingerbread Cookie Baking

Just before the Christmas holidays, pupils from classes 3.A and 3.B enjoyed a wonderful gingerbread cookie baking activity. The children worked enthusiastically, helping to prepare, bake, and later decorate a variety of delicious gingerbread cookies.

A big thank you goes to the parents for their support and cooperation, which helped make this festive activity possible. It was a joyful experience that truly helped bring the Christmas spirit into our school.

Little Gardeners

The gardeners from our school are not idle, they are always creating something. They don't mind getting their hands dirty and they will plant something again in the spring.

Assembly – An Important Part Of Our School Life

Assembly has quickly become a new and popular part of our school life. At the most recent assembly, we were able to admire a video report created by Year 5 students, who interviewed visitors at the markets on Náměstí Míru – both Czech locals and foreigners – asking about their favourite holiday and the reasons why.

We also learned about the visit of our 4.A students to the animal shelter, where the children (and we along with them) gained many new insights and, at the same time, presented a generous donation.

We certainly must not forget the presentation of after-school club diplomas awarded for exemplary behaviour.

The children already know that assembly is an important part of school life, which is why they come dressed in their formal school uniforms on this day. The whole event is traditionally hosted by our Headteacher, Mrs Šárka. Each assembly also includes an update on the points of our “Houses”, which are part of our long-term school competition encouraging cooperation and fair play.

We are all very much looking forward to what the first assembly of 2026 will bring.

*Wishing you and your family a very Happy Holidays!
May this special time be filled with joyful moments,
quality time with loved ones, laughter, rest,
and cherished memories. Thank you for being a valued
part of our school community, and we look forward to
seeing you in 2026!*