Beehive Buzz

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Looking Back and Looking Ahead

Dear Parents,

As another school year comes to an end, it is the perfect opportunity to pause and reflect on everything we have achieved together. Looking back, I see countless moments of joy, curiosity, perseverance, and growth—not only in our students but across our entire school community.

I would also like to sincerely thank you for your trust and continued support. It is through the close partnership between families and school that we create an environment where children feel safe, inspired, and motivated to reach their full potential.

Reflecting on Our 2025/2026 Vision

Assembly – One School, One Community

One of the highlights of this year was the introduction of our monthly School Assemblies. Gathering as one community each month allowed us to celebrate achievements, recognise students' efforts, and focus on a shared theme that guided our learning and school life throughout the following weeks.

September Fair

Our very first September Fair exceeded all expectations. With wonderful weather and fantastic attendance, it became a joyful opportunity for students, parents, teachers, and families to connect. We hope it will become a cherished annual tradition.

Supporting Gifted Learners

This year we successfully launched the Academy for Curious Minds, providing enriching opportunities for gifted students to further develop their talents. The programme will continue next year, and participating students will receive certificates recognising their achievements.

Our sincere thanks go to Mrs. Sebnem Kurtulus Kivanc, a parent from 2.A, whose extensive experience working with gifted children greatly supported Ms. Dominika Martínková and enriched the programme.

Singapore Mathematics

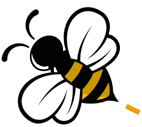
The pilot implementation of the Singapore-inspired mathematics approach proved highly successful. Encouraged by the positive results, we are excited to continue developing this method in the years ahead.

Erasmus+ and International Day

Through the **Erasmus+** programme, we welcomed six students from France together with teacher Mr. Mathieu, as well as trainee teacher Ms. Matilda from Spain. Their presence brought valuable international perspectives into our classrooms.

We also organised our very first International Day, where students proudly presented their countries through displays, presentations, and cultural artefacts. We would like to extend special thanks to Ms Kateřina Roháľová and Petra Mishevská for organising this inspiring event, which we hope will become another lasting school tradition.

Our Vision for 2026/2027



Strengthening Bilingual Education

Next year we will continue refining our bilingual programme by further enhancing Czech language support for international students and strengthening Czech language instruction overall. Ms. Pavlína Tomešová will continue playing a key role in developing this important area.

Encouraging Healthy and Active Lifestyles

Promoting children's physical wellbeing will be one of our priorities. We plan to organise sports challenges, invite inspiring athletes to speak with our students, and encourage regular movement as part of everyday life.

Outdoor Project Weeks

Each class will spend an entire week learning in our outdoor classroom, adapting their programme to nature-based, project-focused learning. Our goal is to demonstrate that meaningful outdoor education can flourish even in the heart of Prague.

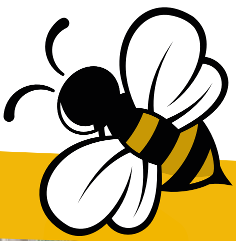
Story Factory

We are delighted to introduce Story Factory, a new literacy initiative encouraging students to write and illustrate their own stories. By the end of the project, each child will contribute to creating their own published book, fostering creativity and a lifelong love of reading and writing.

Thank you for your trust, partnership, and support throughout this wonderful school year. Every student success reflects the collaboration between school and families, and I am incredibly proud of the community we continue to build together.

I wish you and your families a joyful, relaxing summer filled with unforgettable moments. I look forward to welcoming you back for another exciting year of learning and growth.

Mgr. Šárka Ochmanová
Head of School



The Academy of Curious Minds

At the Academy of Curious Minds, we once again set out to explore new topics — this time mainly those connected with traditions from the Czech Republic and from different parts of the world. The children took part in a variety of theoretical and hands-on activities that helped them better understand and experience these traditions.

We believe they enjoyed discovering together just as much as we did, and we are already looking forward to more exciting meetings and adventures that await us before the end of the school year.

When Pictures Come to Life

During an art lesson, the second-grade students immersed themselves in a world of imagination. Each child created an original drawing based on their own ideas and creativity — magical creatures, unique characters, and colorful fantasy worlds full of inspiration began to appear on paper.

But our artistic journey did not end there. With the help of artificial intelligence, we transformed the children's drawings into a new form that preserved their original ideas while adding a completely new dimension. The children's artworks turned into characters with realistic details, expressions, and atmosphere, as if they had stepped straight out of a fairy tale or an animated movie.

The children were absolutely thrilled with the results and excitedly watched their own creations come to life before their eyes. The entire project beautifully combined children's creativity with modern technology and showed that imagination truly has no limits today.

1.A Experiences School in Nature

At the end of May, the first-grade students set off on a five-day outdoor school trip to Rudolfov in the Jizera Mountains. They were joined by children from the first grades of our sister school, Square Elementary School, and the children quickly became friends.

The trip was a great success – we were lucky with the weather, enjoyed the beautiful natural surroundings, and had a wonderful group of children and teachers. There were plenty of fun and educational games, excursions, splashing in the stream, catching tadpoles, a campfire, and even personal encounters with three fairytale creatures!

We are already looking forward to the next adventure like this!

1.A Field trip to Toulcův dvůr

Our first-grade students enjoyed a fantastic educational trip to Toulcův dvůr, where they spent the day learning about farm animals and their care in a hands-on and engaging way.

During the visit, the students met a variety of animals — and even had the chance to cuddle some of them! Taking on the role of farmers, they explored what animals need to live happy and healthy lives by checking their living conditions, learning about proper care, and understanding the importance of animal wellbeing.

It was a fun, interactive, and meaningful experience that brought learning to life outside the classroom!

Visit to the National Museum – Class 4.A

This month, the pupils of Class 4.A visited the National Museum and took part in an educational programme called "Who Is Who in the Animal Kingdom." During the excursion, the children explored the diversity of the animal world and learned many interesting facts about different groups of animals, their lifestyles, and their characteristic features.

The programme included observing museum exhibits as well as participating in interactive activities that helped the children deepen their understanding of the topic. The pupils were enthusiastic, actively engaged in discussions, and showed great curiosity throughout the visit.

We all greatly enjoyed the excursion. The pupils of Class 4.A actively participated in all activities, demonstrated their knowledge, and were not afraid to ask thoughtful and interesting questions. Their curiosity and enthusiasm contributed to the positive atmosphere of the entire programme. We would like to thank them for their excellent attitude and look forward to many more educational experiences together.

International Day

This month, our school celebrated a wonderful International Day, bringing together families from 13 different countries. It was a fantastic opportunity for children, parents, and staff to learn more about the rich cultures and traditions represented in our school community.

Each participating country prepared a short presentation, introducing visitors to its history, customs, and unique traditions. Families also shared traditional food, giving everyone the chance to taste delicious dishes from around the world.

Many participants proudly displayed traditional clothing, toys, and cultural items, helping children discover how people live, celebrate, and play in different parts of the world. We also enjoyed listening to traditional music, which added a special atmosphere to the event.

International Day was a wonderful celebration of diversity, friendship, and cultural understanding. We would like to thank all the parents and children who participated and helped make the event such a success. It was a truly memorable experience and a great opportunity to learn more about each other and the world around us.

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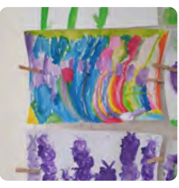
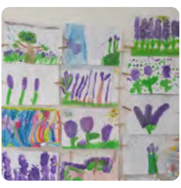
Planets in our Solar System

Class 2.A explored the planets in our solar system as part of their science learning. After learning about the different planets, they each chose one planet to research further. Students searched for interesting facts and prepared short presentations to share their learning with the class. They did a wonderful job speaking confidently and teaching their classmates new information about space and our solar system.

A Purple Splash in the Hallways: How Our First Graders Painted Lilacs





This May, the area around our school was filled with every shade of purple, and the air was fragrant with spring. Naturally, we couldn't help but notice this during our art lessons. Our youngest students, the first graders, were given the task of capturing this spring beauty on paper. And the results? Absolutely breathtaking! Painting a blooming lilac is no easy task. The children had to use not only their paintbrushes but also a bit of creative improvisation. To recreate the rich clusters of tiny blossoms, the first graders experimented with a variety of interesting techniques—from gentle dabbing to mixing just the right shades of purple, pink, and white. Every painting is unique. Some lilacs are lush and wild, while others are delicate and detailed. Yet they all have one thing in common: they radiate the pure joy of children creating art. A big round of applause goes to all our first graders for their patience and enthusiasm throughout the project. If you happen to pass by their classrooms, be sure to stop and take a closer look at their artwork. It's definitely worth it!

June Assembly

Time really flies, and here we are with news from the final Assembly of this school year. It was so full of events that we could fill an entire newsletter with them! I will therefore keep it brief.

As always, Miss Adéla and I opened the Assembly with our special greeting. We then found out how much the children remembered from our previous meeting by asking them which word is represented by each letter in the word Beehive. The children remembered them beautifully. Miss Šárka reminded everyone that it is impossible to choose the most important letter, because only together do they create meaning—and that is also why we are all here together.

She also wished everyone the best of luck with their final tests and reminded the children that they are all reaping what they have sown through their hard work and effort throughout the year.

A huge round of applause was given to our sporting champions, who proudly received their well-deserved medals.

We also presented certificates from the After-School Club and, of course, congratulated all of our birthday celebrants.

As this was the final Assembly of the school year, we also held the **House Cup Ceremony** and announced the winners of the House Points competition. The winners were the **Bumble Bees**, by an incredible margin of just **one point**!

As we left the Assembly, we were already looking forward to the very first **International Day at Beehive**.

Children's Day at Beehive

Children's Day was a major success – a day full of sportsmanship, athleticism, teamwork, and pure fun. The children enjoyed a variety of activities, challenges, and games that brought smiles, excitement, and a healthy competitive spirit throughout the day.

We ended our celebration with a visit to the Book Fair, where our school received books worth 8,000 czk for our library. We are truly grateful for this generous contribution, which will help us continue fostering a love of reading among our students. Thank you!

Children's Day is not only a special occasion for our students but also an opportunity for the entire Beehive community to come together. It allows both children and teachers to strengthen relationships, enjoy time together, and recharge just before one of the busiest periods of the school year.

May Assembly

Short news from the second-to-last Assembly of this school year. This time, it was truly packed with events!

We began by sharing ideas related to our current theme, **Innovation**–and there was certainly no shortage of them. Judge for yourselves: longer breaks, sweets at school, colorful classroom decorations, a class pet, and even a trampoline for the playground. We will be considering all of these suggestions.

We also revisited the values represented by the letters in **Beehive**:

Brave Enthusiastic
Empathy
BEEHIVE
Innovation Versatile
Education Honesty

Saying Goodbye to Our Fifth Graders

Every year, our school faces the bittersweet moment of saying goodbye to our fifth graders — children whom we have carefully prepared for the next stage of their education, children we have guided and supported for five wonderful years. In this case, many of them have known each other since kindergarten, growing up side by side throughout their early school journey.

I had the privilege of being their homeroom teacher from third grade onward. During those three years, we shared far more than lessons in the classroom. Together, we learned, discovered new things, went on school trips and activities, laughed, overcame challenges, and created memories that will stay with us for a long time. We also spent many hours preparing for our Christmas concerts, where the children always showed not only their talent, but also their courage and enthusiasm.

A heartfelt thank you also belongs to the parents. Thanks to their trust, support, and cooperation, all of us teachers were able to positively guide and inspire the children. The little schoolchildren who once entered our classrooms are now leaving for middle school as quite a remarkable group of young teenagers — with all the energy, humor, curiosity, and occasional stubbornness that comes with it.

And because we give our very best until the very last day of school, we are already enthusiastically rehearsing for our Graduation Party performance. And yes — soon you will discover why the children are learning to juggle with apples.

Thank you to this wonderful class for three unforgettable years full of energy, shared experiences, and moments I will always treasure. I wish all our fifth graders courage, joy, and excitement as they begin this new chapter of their journey.