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Illustration by Nina Vicanová, 7.b class

Erasmus+ in Konya, Turkey

In February, the language teachers from Pribinka travelled to Konya, Türkiye to take part in Erasmus+ project called European Games. I interviewed Ms. Marianna Vavrová, an English teacher, to get more information on what our teachers experienced during their stay.

Alexander: *At which hour was the planned arrival and did you come in time?*

Ms.Vavrová: We woke up early in the morning to get first to Vienna. Our flight was scheduled to 7 o'clock in the morning, so, we were leaving Zlaté Moravce at about 3 am. From Vienna we flew to Istanbul. The flight took 2 hours. Then we had to change the plane in Istanbul. Actually, because of the severe earthquake that hit the southern part of Türkiye, the flights were cancelled. Instead of waiting for the plane to Konya for 6 hours, we waited 3 more hours.

Alexander: *What was the weather like when you arrived?*

Ms.Vavrová: In comparison with Slovakia, the weather was lovely. It was very cold, temperature was below zero, there were piles of snow lying next to the sidewalk and the sun was shining.

Alexander: *How would you say were the Turkish people?*

Ms.Vavrová: We found Turkish people really friendly and polite. They showed us round, accompanied us and prepared wonderful activities for us.

Alexander: *Was there anything that surprised you about them?*

Ms.Vavrová: In fact, I had always thought that Turkish men were more dominant than women. But Turkish women say that they rule the family 😊.

Alexander: *Have you learned any facts about their religion? Did they somehow explain it?*

Ms.Vavrová: Turkish people are Muslims and their religion is Islam. Many people are deep believers and they pray 5 times per day. They go to mosques to pray to Allah. Women cover their hair with scarves to protect themselves from the bad views of men.

Alexander: *Were the students studying at school or did they have online classes?*

Ms.Vavrová: You are right, children were at home that week we were visiting Turkish partner school. They were at home because of devastating earthquake that hit the southern part of the country. There were many casualties and many families with children were moving out of the area and coming to Konya. They needed help, they needed shelter, they needed food and clothes. Therefore, schools were closed. However, we could feel how people helped one another.

Alexander: *Did you have any time to buy souvenirs for yourself and were the merchants pushy when you were visiting local stores and restaurants?*

Ms.Vavrová: Oh, yes, I bought some sweets and a scarf (LOL 😊). I cannot say the traders were pushy...They were just very polite.

Thank you for the interview. **Alexander Mechenski, 7.b**



Typical Turkish pizza called lahmacun



Swirling dervish



Museum of Mevlana – great poet, thinker and mystic.



Slovak crew

Cappadocia



Sweet Turkish pastry - baklava

*Tree with nazars in Cappadocia –
they ward off the curse of the evil eye*



The House that runs itself

by Matúš Šútor, 7.b class

As a part of our new Green School project devoted to water and its protection, we went to visit a family whose house is cut off from the outside world. It is not supplied with water so they have to use the water from the well. This water has to be cleaned in special tanks with the help of sand, gravel and pressure. The result is distilled water which has to be enriched with minerals and can be further used for drinking and cooking.

The house is not connected to the local sewerage and they use sewage tank to clean waste water.

The Smith family used to live in Australia before moving to Slovakia. Therefore, we learned that water in Australia is very precious. It is not common that the rivers are full of water. In summer, rivers dry out and there is no water at all. People have to save water and they can take a shower just for 2 minutes. We cannot even imagine that.

Now, the Green School participants, teachers and parents are installing water tanks that will collect rainwater. With its help we can water the garden beds in our school. Well done, Green School! 😊



Scary stories

Can you invent a story with these words: ghost, coffin, dark, castle, went? Take a look at the stories which the 7th graders made up.

One day, me and my friend Viki went for a walk but we went a bit further than we planned. But it started raining and we ran into the dark forest. Unfortunately, we got lost. Suddenly, we saw a castle. On our way to the castle, we heard absolutely nothing – there was very quiet. We found an old map of the treasure. An hour later, we found the treasure hidden in the coffin. On the way home we heard scary noises. Suddenly, we saw a ghost so, we ran home but both of us fell down. We never came back home.

Sára Šabíková, Viktória Večerková, 7.a

One dark night two friends went to a castle. It was Halloween. They were quite scared and walked through the castle. It was a dark night. They walked past the scary things, like coffins and bones. At the end of each room there was a zombie that held a candy. They even saw a ghost, Frankenstein and skeletons. There were some challenges, like crossing the old wooden bridge that shattered. They went to a long hallway which had a lot of mirrors

in it. They finally reached the last room. In this room, there was a big man with a mask on his face holding a chainsaw. They were scared more than ever before. They ran to the exit as fast as possible. When they got out of the castle, they were happy to live. Fortunately, the door closed behind their backs and the man didn't catch any of them.

Matej Martinka, 7.a

One day we went to the castle. It was very beautiful until we saw the dark room at the end of the corridor. We went to the end of the corridor and in front of us the door closed. When we opened the door, there was nobody there. There was only one big coffin. We entered the room with respect and suddenly, we felt that somebody behind hit us. When we turned around, we couldn't see anybody... Was this story good? Yes, it was. And who do you think hit us? We guess it was a ghost! 😊

Marek Košút, Damián Néma

Level 1

By Samuel Kašuba, 7.b class

I was running in the woods at night and then I stopped for a minute because I heard some strange sound and I felt like something was running at me. So, I started to run as fast as I could. After that I ran into a wall. I hit my head and then, when I woke up, I was in a maze. The walls were painted yellow and there were lights that made sounds. I found a small camera on the ground. I took it and I thought nobody would be there. But there were arrows suggesting the way so I followed them and then I saw a monster. I was scared to death. I screamed and the monster started chasing me. Suddenly, I saw a hole in the wall. I rushed into it and when I entered, it was a room with concrete walls. It was called Level 1. I found a door with a code so I went and explored Level 1. But at that moment I heard a familiar voice: "Sam, it's time to wake up. You will be late for school!"



Illustrated by Patrícia Babiaková, 6.a class



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Illustrated by Alexandra Levická, 7.b class

What is it like to be an athlete?

Leonard Krajčovič and Patrícia Babiaková have been attending the athletic club for 6 years. They were 5-year-old children when they first started the training. What is it like to be an athlete? Samuel Kašuba interviewed the two athletes.

Samuel: Is there any difference between an athlete-KID and athlete-JUNIOR

Leonard: When we were younger, we had different style of running. The trainings were shorter and much easier. Now the trainings last an hour and a half and they are challenging because we have to train for competitions.

Samuel: How often do you have competitions?

Leonard: It depends on season. We take part in various races, sometimes they are held in villages and sometimes we get an invitation to official competitions where different sport clubs take part, for example in Trnava, Bratislava, Trenčín.

Samuel: Can you tell us any interesting or funny stories connected with athletic races?

Patrícia: For example, I was running 60-metre distance run. I started running fast but in the end of the race when I was very close to the finish line, I fell down. Luckily, I fell on the line itself and I even broke my personal record 😊!

Samuel: How do you feel when are you standing on the start line and you are going to compete with other athletes?

Patrícia: At the beginning I have a strange feeling – I am nervous and I am trying to concentrate. Then I start running and after the race I always say to myself: “Well, I could run faster. Next time I must run faster.”

Samuel: When you are standing on the start line, can you say who is going to win?

Patrícia: Sometimes I can, sometimes I cannot.

Leonard: For me, it is the same but I always hope I will win the race 😊.



The skiing trip

by Alexander Mechenski, 7.b class

Our skiing trip started on Monday. The bus took us, 7th graders, to Jasenská Valley. Of course, when we arrived, we unpacked our suitcases. On the first day on the slope, we learned how to brake on skis. I must confess that learning such a basic skill made us exhausted and we fell asleep very quickly. We woke up the next day at approximately 7 am when the teachers came to check up on us. Then we got ready and headed to have some breakfast. After that, we returned to our rooms and got ready for skiing. We dressed up warmly, and the bus took us to the slope. There we got our skis ready and started skiing. Most of us started on the smallest slope on day 1, but now we started to ski down of a bigger slope, which was still medium-sized. There we practiced a few times how to ski down the slope using the snake method. When we finally learned it and perfected it after a few hours, we went back to our rooms. During the night we had a meeting in one of the many big rooms in the hostel where we got to play some games with our friends. We eventually went back to our rooms, where we fell asleep. The next day started as usual, but instead of skiing for 4 hours at the slope, we only skied for 2 hours. This was because we got to go on a trip to Martin. There we mainly went to the shopping centre, where we could buy something for ourselves. But after the time expired, we had to meet up in front of the mall. At night we had an interesting program - one room had to entertain the other rooms, and there were judges, who rated how good the performance was. But


















the teachers also had a show, where 4 teachers lifted the other teacher by only using 1 of their fingers on a chair. Well, that was the most interesting one for sure. Eventually, the judges decided on 3 winners, who were awarded some chocolate. The next day was rainy, so we sadly didn't go to the slope, but instead of that, we went to Martin again, where we went to the cinema to see the movie Puss in the Boots 2. After we watched the movie, we went to McDonald's which was located nearby. There everyone had a menu pre-ordered, which consisted of fries, a Big Mac, and a coke. We ate there, but some of us took the food to the hostel. We were exhausted at the end of the day, and only 1 final day was remaining on this trip. So, the final day we spent going to the slope for only 2 hours once again. Almost all of us were at the highest slope we could get on, and there we just continued, as usual, doing the snake method, but for longer. Some of us were more experienced than others, so they were doing all kinds of tricks. During the week we only had surprisingly 1 injury from skiing, of course, the doctor, who was with us, took care of it. When we finally finished skiing, we went back to the pension to pack our luggage. All of us also had to take off the pillow cases and gave them to the cleaners, who had to wash them. After we packed, we, unfortunately, had to return home. When we arrived in front of the school, our parents were waiting for us and drove us home. I think each of us will remember every single minute of our skiing trip.



Skiing trip of 7th graders in Jasenská Valley

Gulliver in Lilliput

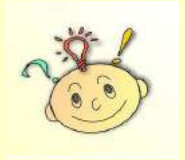
Gulliver in Lilliput

My name is Lemuel Gulliver and I'm a  doctor.
On 5th November, 1699 there was a terrible .
There were huge  and my ship hit a .
Then I swam to an . The next morning I woke up
on the . There was a very small  a few centimetres
from my . He was a soldier and had a  and
 and he was afraid. The soldiers had  and . I was
very hungry. I asked for  but the soldiers didn't understand.
I pointed to my  and they understood. I was very tired (my)
after my meal and slept. That  the soldiers took me to their
. A 1000 horses pulled the .



Written and illustrated by Partícia Babiaková and Leonard Krajčovič, 6.a class

Animal Quiz by Tomi R



1. How many dog breeds are there?

- a) 350-400 b) 1000-1250 c) 700-780

2. Which animal is not a mammal?

- a) Grizzly b) Anaconda c) Hedgehog

3. Which animal is the biggest?

- a) Giraffe b) Giant Wren c) White Bear

4. What does koala eat?

- a) Bambus b) Eucalyptus c) Needles

5. How much meat does a lion eat per day?

- a) 50kg b) 12kg c) 36kg

6. Which animal feeds on carrion?

- a) Camel b) Hyena c) Tarantula

7. How does bat sleep?

- a) Upside Down b) Sits c) Stands

8. Polar bear's fur is:

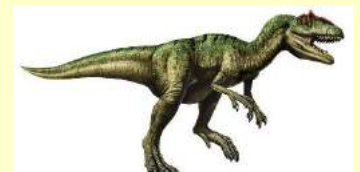
- a) Grey b) White c) Yellow

9. Where does Kangaroo carry its kids?

- a) In Backpack b) In a bag on the stomach c) In Hands

10. Which of these Dinosaurs is an Allosaurus ?

- a) b) c)



Your Score:

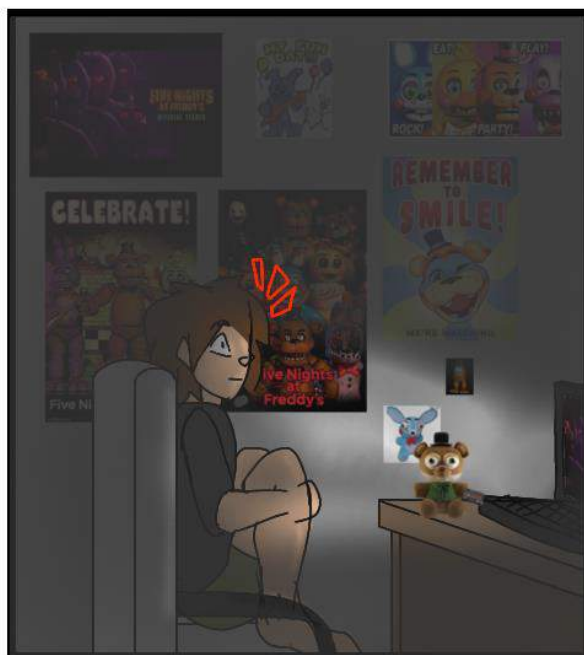
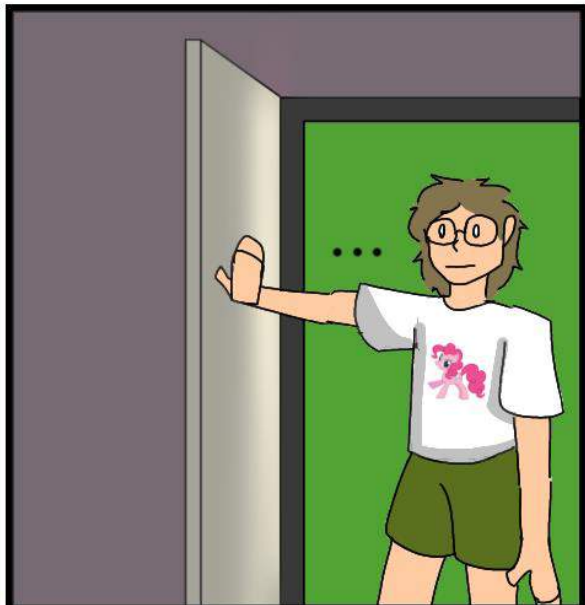
10-9: Clever like Creator!

8-7: You Are a Master at Work!

6-3: You Are a Beginner!



Obsession



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