



OWL NEWS

Until 27 February

WINTER BREAK

Dear DKIS Community,

We would like to inform you that our winter break will take place from February 16 to February 20. We hope you take this time to rest, recharge and enjoy quality moments with your loved ones. Wishing you a wonderful and refreshing break!

The DKIS team

Individual Meetings

Dear DKIS community,

Individual meetings are scheduled for **Thursday 26 February, from 16:00 to 17:30**. To sign up, please provide your child's name and your email using the following link: [INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS](#)

The sign-up list will be available until 12:00 on Wednesday 25 February. We kindly request that you adhere to your chosen time slots. If you are unable to secure a slot between 16:00 and 17:30, we encourage you to take advantage of our teachers' weekly meetings. Our teachers are available for one lesson per week, every week. You can find information about individual teacher time slots here: [TEACHERS](#)

Best wishes,

The DKIS team



Kindergarten Debeli rtič Spring Camp Meeting

On **Wednesday 11 February** at 16:00, we are going to have a meeting about the kindergarten spring camp. The parents of the children who are signed up for the spring camp should attend.

The Kindergarten teachers



High School Open Days – 13 & 14 February

Dear MYP 3 Parents,

On **Friday and Saturday, 13 and 14 February**, high schools will be hosting Open Days for students and families who are interested in exploring future secondary school options.

These events are a great opportunity to learn more about different school environments, programmes, and admission requirements. **A selection of international high school options are available for you to explore in the Curriculum section.**

We encourage families to take advantage of these Open Days to support students as they begin considering their next steps in education.

Best wishes,

The MYP team

GimB International School Open Day

Gimnazija Bežigrad, International school

Peričeva ulica 4, 1 000 Ljubljana

Slovenia

Gimnazija

Bežigrad

Dear Parent of MYP 3 student,

We warmly welcome you to our Open Day, which will take place on Friday, **13th February 2026, at 9.30.**

During the Open Day, we will introduce you to how MYP 4 and 5 are taught in our school and you will have an opportunity to see the premises and talk to our current MYP students.

We look forward to seeing you here at Gimnazija Bežigrad!

Sincerely,

Dr. Mirko Mrčela

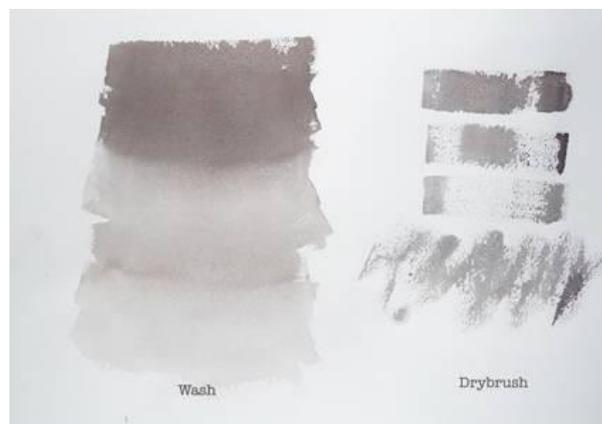
Principal of International School

2M Cultural Day – Art Techniques

On Wednesday 11 February, the 2M students will spend the day exploring a variety of art techniques and tools as they learn about famous artists and what inspires their work. Through hands-on activities, they'll experiment, create, and discover how artists turn ideas into art – while finding inspiration for their own creative expression.

All activities will be organized in school and will start at 08:20 and finish at 11:50. The afternoon programme continues as usual, with all meals provided for the students on the meal list.

Ms Teja Klavs

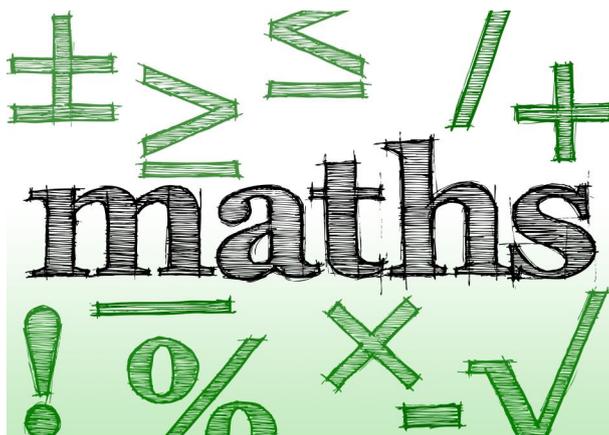


5M Science Day – Mathematics

The 5M students will have a science day on **Wednesday 11 February**. The students will have activities organised in school as part of their work in the Unit of Inquiry and maths. We will start at 08:20 and finish with all activities by 11:50.

The afternoon program will be organised as usual.

Ms Tina Fürst



KG & PYP Sports Day

Get ready for a fun and energetic Winter Sports Day! ❄️👟

On **Thursday 12 February 12th**, all the **PYP and Kindergarten students** will take part in our **Winter Sports Day** at **Jesenice Hall – Podmežakla**.

📍 Schedule & Transport

- **08:00** – Students arrive at school
- We will take the school snack and walk to the bus in front of the **Tuš carpark**
- **13:30 (approx.)** – Return to school
- **Lunch** will take place as usual

📖 Activities

The day will begin with **ice skating**:

- Students who have **their own ice skates** are encouraged to bring them.
- Skates can also be **rented at the hall for 3.50€**
- Students will be grouped according to skill level:
 - Beginners will take part in a skating course
 - More confident skaters will enjoy skating games

After about **two hours on the ice**, students will rotate through a variety of exciting activities, including:

- 🎳 Bowling
- 🏋️ Fitness

- 🥋 Martial arts

If weather conditions allow, we may also enjoy **outdoor snow activities**.

👊 What to Bring

- Warm clothing and **gloves** for ice skating
- A **change of clothes** for indoor activities afterward
- A **water bottle** to stay hydrated

🍎 Snack

- Students who usually receive the **school snack** will get it as normal
- Students who do **not** receive the school snack should bring their own

We're looking forward to an active, joyful day full of movement and winter fun! 🧑‍🎄 ✨

Ms Jasna Lavrenčič

5M – Workshops in February & March 2026

On Thursday **26 February** and **5 March**, during the **6th** lesson, a workshop about **Mental Health** will take place in 5M.

The objectives of the workshop:

- They understand the field of mental health and its scope.
- **They learn about the mental health continuum and understand that it is okay not to feel happy all the time.**
- **They begin to reflect on their own mental health.**

The workshop will be led by the organization *No Excuse*.

Ms Maja Majnik



6M Visit – Museum of Puppetry

On **Tuesday 10 February**, 6M will have Theatre lessons in the Museum of Puppetry.

They will conduct a guided investigation based on tasks prepared by the teachers and will be able to freely explore the museum, try different puppetry techniques, and answer the guided discovery questions.

The visit is part of their regular lessons. On this day, the students will go to lunch earlier.

We will take the bus to the museum at 12:20, then ride the funicular railway up to Ljubljana Castle. After our visit, we will return by the same route.

In addition to the guided investigation, the students will also be able to see the interactive exhibition of illustrations – an immersive experience of famous Slovenian illustrations from books coming alive.

We will return to school at approximately **14:45-15:00**, depending on the bus we catch and the traffic at this hour.

We are looking forward to a hands-on take on the investigating process.

Ms Mateja Kores and Ms Kristina Štemberger



Cycling Course 2025/2026 – Theoretical Exam

Dear Students and Parents,

This message applies to **students enrolled in the Cycling Course 2025–2026**. The **theoretical exam** will be completed using the **SIO Kolesar platform**.

Theoretical Cycling Exam – Important Information

Platform:

- The exam will be taken on the **SIO Kolesar (K-IZPIT) platform**

Exam dates:

- **25 February**
- **4 March**

Time:

- **12:45–14:35**

Location:

- **Classroom 341**

Students will have **two lessons (Lesson 6 and Lesson 7)** to complete the theoretical exam.

Exam Requirements

- A minimum score of **75%** is required to pass.
- **2-point questions are critical:** an incorrect answer to any 2-point question will result in not passing the exam, regardless of the final percentage.

Students are encouraged to practice the simulation **multiple times** before the exam.

Kind regards,

Mr Mitja Uršič

Mathematical Kangaroo Competition Invitation

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The competition will be organized for all students from grade 1 to grade 8 and will be held on **Thursday 19 March**.

The competition will be organized in school starting at:

11:00 for grades 1, 2 and 3 and will last 45 minutes

13:00 for grade 4 will last 60 minutes

13:00 for grades 5 – 8 and will last 90 minutes.

DMFA Slovenija is the organizer of the competition and is responsible for defining the participation rules.

The organizer updated the rules in 2020. Since then, the categories for our school are as follows:

Year level (International school)	Kangaroo competition category
Grade 1	1
Grade 2	2
Grade 3	3
Grade 4	4-5
Grade 5	6-7
Grade 6	6-7
Grade 7	8-9
Grade 8	8-9

Students qualify for the regional competition if they attain a specific level of achievement in categories 6-7 or 8-9. This applies to students in Grade 5 and above at our school.

The application forms will be distributed for PYP classes by their homeroom teachers and for MYP classes by their maths teacher. The application **due date is 27 February**.

Warmly welcoming all students to attend

Ms Lojzka Lušin, Maths teacher

Slovenian Children's Author Visit – Majda Koren

On **Tuesday 10 February**, we will host the Slovenian Children's author, Ms Majda Koren, during lesson 3.

She will talk about her books and work as a writer to 1M, 2M and 3M.

The Library Team

CURRICULUM SECTION

International and Englishspeaking secondary schools in Ljubljana

Admissions & Practical Tips

- Entry points & placement: Most schools admit at various points in the year, but IGCSE (start of Year 10) and IB DP (start of Year 12) are natural transition points. Ask about placement tests and EAL support hours.
- Fees: Public aggregators give ballpark figures (e.g., VIA and ERUDIO listings; DKIS for younger years). Always verify with each school for the official 2026/27 schedule, as fees and categories (e.g., EU staff at ESLj) vary.
- Inquire with each school regarding the **admission policy and academic admission requirements!**

GB British International School of Ljubljana (BISL)

- Curriculum: British (English National Curriculum, IGCSEs, ALevels)
- Language: English
- Ages: 3–18
- Well-established, multicultural, with EAL support.
- Secondary education includes Key Stage 3 & 4 leading to IGCSE exams.

Vector International Academy (VIA)

- Curriculum: IGCSE + IB Diploma Programme
- Language: English
- Ages: 14–18
- Independent international high school

Erudio International School

- Curriculum: IB (MYP + DP)
- Language: English
- Ages: 14–18
- Offers a full continuum of IB programmes for secondary-level students.

EU European School Ljubljana

- Curriculum: European School System → European Baccalaureate
- Languages: English & Slovene sections
- Ages: 4–18
- Strong multilingual focus; secondary runs S1–S7 and culminates in the European Baccalaureate.

US Ljubljana International School (LIS)

- Curriculum: International/American-style, MYP+DP
- Language: English
- Ages: 3–18
- Smaller, community-oriented international school in Ljubljana.

FR École Française Internationale de Ljubljana (EFIL)

- Curriculum: French
- Languages: French (primary) + multilingual environment
- Ages: 1–18
- Not primarily English-medium but open to international students; may suit multilingual families.

In case you have more questions about our programmes, please scan the QR code and we will be happy to answer them.



CALENDAR IN BRIEF

9.	MON	
10.	TUE	6 M VISIT TO THE MUSEUM AUTHOR'S VISIT
11.	WED	KG DEBELI RTIČ MEETING 5 M SCIENCE DAY 2 M CULTURAL DAY
12.	THUR	KG & PYP SPORTS DAY
13.	FRI	HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAYS
14.	SAT	HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAYS
15.	SUN	
16.	MON	WINTER BREAK
17.	TUE	WINTER BREAK
18.	WED	WINTER BREAK
29.	THUR	WINTER BREAK
20.	FRI	WINTER BREAK
21.	SAT	
22.	SUN	

23.	MON	
24.	TUE	
25.	WED	4 M CYCLING EXAM
26.	THUR	INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS 5M WORKSHOP
27.	FRI	DUE DATE FOR KANGAROO APPLICATIONS
28.	SAT	
29.	SUN	