



OWL NEWS

Until 5 June



Dear Parents,

It's that time of year! Put on your chef hats, pack your sneakers, and get ready for the ultimate family day out. We are heading back to Camp Menina on Saturday, May 30th for our DKIS International Day! 🎉

📣 THE IMPORTANT PART: Registration Opens TODAY, Friday at 7:00 PM!

Last year, the adventure slots vanished in just 5 hours. To give you the best head start, here are the direct forms. Set your alarms for Friday evening and click fast! 📄 [Adrenaline Park](#) 🌐 [Rafting](#) ✂️ [Boating on the lake in camp Menina](#) 🏹 [Archery Tag](#) 🎯 [Paintball](#) 🧑‍🎨 [Parents: Hide in the Spa Corner & Book a Massage Here](#)

We can't wait to share food, laughter, and a great Saturday with all of you. See you at the camp! ✂️ ⚽ 🌍

Warmly, Your PTA Team

PS For any questions you might have, please contact Ms Iris Potež: irispotez@gmail.com

PTA

Portfolio Night

Dear parents,

On **Thursday 4 June**, we invite you to our second portfolio night. It's a chance to view your children's work from this school year, tracking their learning journey. Take this opportunity to witness their progress and offer support for their future endeavours.

The event will take place in their **homeroom classrooms**, starting at **16:00** and lasting until **17:30**, which means you can attend the event together with your children at any time during this time.

We are looking forward to your visit.

The PYP & MYP team

Kindergarten Science Day – Ljubljana Zoo

On **Tuesday 26 May**, the kindergarten students will go to Ljubljana Zoo.

Breakfast will be served at 08:15. We will leave the school at 08:50 and take the city bus to the Zoo. The entrance fee is 7€ per a child.

Please ensure that your child brings a small backpack and a bottle of water. The school will provide a snack. Lunch will be served at around 13:00.

Kind regards.

Kindergarten Team

Kindergarten Visit to The House of Experiments

On **Friday 5 June**, our Kindergarten group will visit the House of Experiments. We will meet in school at 08:00 and pack the school breakfast with us, so your child will need a small backpack. We are going to travel by city bus.

We expect to return to school by 12:00, so lunch will be served as usual.

KG Team

Πειράματα
Φυσικής με
Απλά Υλικά -
Science
Experiments
for Kids



2M Cultural Day – Communication

On **Wednesday 27 May**, 2M will take part in explorations dedicated to how people communicate nowadays and how they communicated in the past. The students will investigate codes and alphabets, discover the various means and methods of communication, and participate in hands-on activities and games that show how communication has changed over time.

We will start at 08:20 and finish at 11:50, after which the afternoon programme will continue as usual.

Ms Teja Klavs



6M Puppet Shows – Invitation

The PYP students and teachers are warmly invited to **puppetry performances by 6M**.

Date: Tuesday 2 June

Time:

12:00 - 3 performances

12:50 - 2 performances

Location: Classroom 373

Experience puppetry in the style of sock puppets made by our students, showcasing creativity, imagination, and spoken expression. **Please be on time and ensure that your phones are put on silent. Please do not answer phone calls during the performances.** We look forward to welcoming you!

Ms Mateja Kores, Ms Kristina Štemberger & 6M



7M Storytelling – Invitation

Dear parents,

You are warmly invited to a **storytelling session presented by 7M**.

Date: Wednesday 27 May

Time:

12:05 - 3 performances

Julija Vodiškar and **Pranav Prasad** advanced from the regional round to the state competition.

Both students received **Silver Awards** for their outstanding performance.

We warmly congratulate all students who took part and thank the teachers who supported them throughout the competition. Their achievements are a wonderful celebration of curiosity, determination, and mathematical talent within our school community.

Ms Lojzka Lušin



MYP Selected Students – Escape Room

The MYP students who have successfully completed this year's English reading badge and the students from 6M and 7M who have exhibited most of the learner profile attributes throughout the year will visit The Key escape room on **Friday 5 June**. We will leave the school after lesson 2 and return approximately around the time of lesson 6. The students will be provided with snack and they will have lunch at school.

Ms Tina Frelj & Ms Anja Dežman



5M – PYPx

Our PYPx will take place on 9 June. More detailed information about the schedule, organisation will be shared soon. The PYP Exhibition is an important milestone for all PYP 5 students, as it represents the point where they bring together their learning from across the Primary Years Programme. It gives students the opportunity to inquire into a topic of personal interest, demonstrate their ATL skills, and take meaningful action. We are very proud of the work they are doing and look forward to sharing their learning journey with you.

Kind regards,

Mr Denis Divjak



1M & 2M Swimming Course

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to inform you that our 1M and 2M students will participate in a Swimming Course at the Faculty of Sports.

Dates: 8–12 June

Time: 11:30–13:30

The students must come to school at the normal time in the morning. You will need to bring your school bag because there will be two and a half lessons before we go.

A daily bus will be organised for the journey to the Faculty of Sports.

Departure: 10:30 from school

Return: around 14:30 back at school

The students need to bring:

- Swimsuit
- Towel
- Flip-flops
- Swimming cap (if required)
- Water bottle
- Small backpack for personal items
- Hair dryer

All Cocurricular activities will be cancelled, but the Afternoon Programme will take place as usual.

We will have school snack before we leave and lunch will be in school when we come back.

Kind regards,

Mr Denis Divjak



4M Cycling Course 25/26 – Assigned Students

We will continue our cycling course as follows:

During our regular Wednesday lessons, the students will practice on the obstacle course with Mr Dominik. At the same time, five students at a time will cycle around the school in real traffic conditions, following the route they will be assessed on in June. **This arrangement will run from Wednesday 6 May to Wednesday 27 May.**

As there are 19 students who need to complete this practice, I, Mr Mitja, will also be available on **two additional Fridays – 22 May and 29 May – during Lesson 7 (13:50–14:35)**, to ensure each student has as many opportunities as possible to ride the assessment route.

The final assessments will take place on the following Wednesdays – 3 June and 10 June, from 12:45 to 14:35. The students will first have lunch, after which we will have approximately two hours to complete the assessments. Each student will ride individually along the assigned route.

Mr Mitja Uršič



5M Field Trip – ČŠOD KAVKA

The 5M students will go on a 5-day field trip to Kobarid **from Monday 25 to Friday 29 May 2026**. On Monday we will meet at the Tuš carpark at 09:00, and on Friday we will return to the same point at around 14:00. In Kavka the students will be working on the PYP Exhibition, and some sports activities will take place as well.

Mr Andy Tomlin & Ms Tina Fürst



Ivan Cankar Quiz

The Librarians would like to invite you, throughout the month of May, to come to the library to see what you know about Ivan Cankar. You will be able to test your knowledge on everything related to this man by participating in a bespoke quiz, of which there will be awards for a successful few.

The Librarians

CURRICULUM SECTION

ASSESSMENT IN THE MYP

Dear parents,

As we approach the end of the school year, we would like to revisit some important information about how assessment works in the MYP. Below you can find key information regarding assessment and grading, as these topics are often particularly relevant at this time of year.

Please note that the projected grades students received in May are not final grades. They **may still change**, either increase or decrease, depending on each student's work, progress, and performance until the end of the school year.

However, it is essential to note that the most accurate and personalised information about your child's progress comes from speaking directly with their subject-specific teachers.

For more details, we also encourage you to consult our Assessment Policy.

What is the difference between assessment and grading?

Assessment is ongoing evidence-gathering; grading is assigning a score based on that evidence.

What part of the overall assessment is a grade that students get on written tests?

Summative assessments come in various formats, and written tests are just one of them. Teachers use a criterion-related system with an 8-point scale and apply a 'best-fit' approach to judge student performance. While summative assessments carry the most weight, their

results are considered alongside other factors such as formative assessments, homework, class participation, etc. when determining achievement levels. Final grades are not based on averages but are awarded holistically, based on a range of evidence collected over time to reflect each student's overall performance.

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What part of the final grade is represented by:

- Written tests/assignments – they are part of formative or summative assessments, depending on subject criteria.
- Oral tests/presentations – they are part of formative or summative assessments, depending on subject criteria.
- Effort/participation/teamwork/etc. – not separately graded but influence 'best-fit' judgments.
- Reflections – part of the process-focused assessment. In some cases, reflections are part of the summative assessment, depending on subject criteria.
- Homework – usually formative; affects 'best-fit' judgment.
- Other – group projects, peer/self-assessment, presentations – they are part of formative or summative assessments, depending on subject criteria.

Which are the ungraded parts of the assessment that affect the grades?

Homework, participation, effort, formative tasks, etc. All can inform final grading decisions without being assessed directly.

Is homework a graded or ungraded part of the assessment, and how does it affect the assessment?

It is usually ungraded, but contributes to understanding consistency, responsibility, and skill reinforcement. Therefore, it helps teachers make the 'best-fit' judgment.

How are students assessed for their effort and participation in class, and what is the criteria?

Otherwise, repeating the year may be considered.

Not explicitly graded, but influences teacher professional judgment and ATL (Approaches to Learning) feedback.

What part of the final grade is a student’s effort and participation in class?

Not a set percentage, but it influences teacher decisions through evidence like class engagement and feedback implementation.

Are students assessed in class individually, and is teenage behaviour considered?

Yes, assessments are individual even though students may work in pairs or groups. While teenage behaviour is not formally assessed, teachers are mindful of these factors. It is considered through differentiated instruction, formative feedback, and professional judgment to support each student’s needs.

What is a passing grade in IB DKIS?

A level 3 out of 8 per criterion is the minimum passing level. For final grades, a grade 3 out of 7 is marginal but considered passing.

What happens if a student doesn’t get a passing grade at the end of the school year?

If a student receives a grade lower than 3 in one or two subjects, the student may still pass. The decision is made jointly by the staff. Otherwise, repeating the year may be considered.

What passing grades are expected for Gimnazija Bežigrad enrolment?

Students in MYP 3 must achieve **at least a final grade 4 in all subjects** to enter MYP 4 at Gimnazija Bežigrad.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the school year.

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

25.	MON	5 M FIELD TRIP	
26.	TUE	KG SCIENCE DAY 5 M FIELD TRIP	
27.	WED	2 M CULTURAL DAY 7 M STORYTELLING	5 M FIELD TRIP
28.	THUR	5 M FIELD TRIP	
29.	FRI	5 M FIELD TRIP	
30.	SAT	INTERNATIONAL DAY	
31.	SUN		
1.	MON		
2.	TUE	6 M PUPPET SHOW	
3.	WED		
4.	THUR	PORFOLIO NIGHT POMOČ SOŠOLCU	
5.	FRI	KG HOUSE OF EXPERIMENTS	
6.	SAT		
7.	SUN		