

OWL NEWS

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NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Every new day brings a fresh chance, it brings new hope and it sheds a new light.

Dear students, respected parents and my dearest colleagues. A very warm welcome to each and everyone of you.

Let me return to my opening thought. As we all know the beginning of something new is always a new opportunity. For some of you the novelty might only be a new school year, for some of you a new school and on top of that for some of you even a new country. Nonetheless, you all have something in common; you are all opening a next chapter of your life. A chapter full of challenges. However, it depends on you on how to overcome those challenges. Please, have in mind that none of us can be good at everything. Luckily, we are all unique. Therefore, compete only with yourself, learn from your mistakes and always try to do your best. Success has no shortcuts.

With that being said, I would once again like to welcome or welcome you back to DKIS. Let the new school year begin.

Klemen Strmljan

Head of International Department



GENERAL MEETINGS

Dear DKIS community,

We will have our first general meetings on Wednesday & Thursday, 14 & 15 September 2022. The meetings will take place in-school. You will get additional information from the home-room teaches(s) of your child(ren).

The exact schedule to be announced.

Klemen Strmljan

Head of International Department



PYP CULTURAL DAY

On **Friday, 9 September**, PYP students will have a cultural day about internationalism, with focus on Learner Profiles.

They need to bring their pencil-cases and an object that represents them and their country/culture. They may also bring or think of a story, game and a song from their country.

Students will meet in their classes at 08:20 and will finish the program at 12:05.

Lunch and Afternoon Programme will take place from 12:10 on.

Ms Poli Hočevar Eve, Mr Denis Divjak and Ms Sara Štrancar



MYP 2 – SCIENCE DAY ROBOTICS

On **Thursday, 15 September 2022**, the students of **7 M** will inquire into the interdisciplinary branches of computer science and engineering, such as intelligence, systems, materials and environment.

The students need to be in school at 08:15 in front of the dining room, we will use public transport to go to the Center for technology transfer and innovation at the Jožef Stefan Institute. Afterwards there will be workshops organized in school.

The science day will finish at 13:00.

Ms Lojzka Lušin



DANILA KUMAR SPORTS ACADEMY

Dear parents and students!

This school year we will start with the Danila Kumar Sports Academy. The program is aimed at developing the potential of students both on and off the field. It includes physical activity with emotional, social and mental growth, with the aim of improving the set of physical and mental skills of each student.

The Sports Academy is intended for students from **1st to 5th grade** of the International and national departments of Danila Kumar Elementary School and is **not intended for professional training or replacing a professional coach**, but rather in a playful way, adapted to the age of the children, learning about the purpose of individual ball games and connecting only - with personal growth.

Each presented sport, will be adapted to the age of the children. The PE teacher will accommodate the motor skills of each individual students in all sports. On the one hand, these are innate, while others are acquired, and they are divided into six primary movement abilities: strength, speed, mobility, coordination, balance and precision. We will also add endurance and thus connect everything together in the queen of sports, athletics, which is an integral part of every sport through running, jumping and throwing. Training will start in October.

Training for **kindergarten and 1st grade** will take place on **Monday and Tuesday from 13:30 to 14:30**
Price: 20 EUR per month.

Training for **2nd and 3rd grade** will take place on **Monday, from 14:00 to 15:00**, and **Tuesday, from 14:30 to 15:30** Price: 20 EUR per month.

Trainings for **4th and 5th grade** will take place on Tuesday and Thursday, **from 14:00 to 15:30** Price: 30 EUR per month.

THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS IS LIMITED TO 20 PER GROUP! WHEN THE GROUP IS FULL, WE WILL CLOSE THE APPLICATIONS.

You will be informed about the applications soon.



ENGLISH FOR PARENTS

Danila Kumar International School is offering lessons in English to parents who would like to improve their English communication skills and have some fun while learning.

Whether you are a beginner or have had some English learning experience, we will cater to all your needs.

All parents who are interested and would like to join our fun and interactive communicative lessons, please send me an e-mail: koresm@os-danilekumar.si by the end of September. We will start the lessons in October.

I am looking forward to seeing familiar faces and new editions to our English for Parents community.

Ms Mateja Kores



SLOVENIAN FOR PARENTS

Danila Kumar International School is offering lessons in Slovenian to parents who would like to improve their Slovenian communication skills and have some fun while learning.

Whether you are a beginner or have had some Slovenian learning experience, we will cater to all your needs.

All parents who are interested and would like to join our fun and interactive communicative lessons, please send me an e-mail: plesnikm@os-danilekumar.si by the end of September. We will start the lessons in October.

Ms Melita Plešnik



LIBRARY UNDER THE TREETOPS

From the simple idea of books under the trees, the Library under the treetops has developed into a recognized and well-attended parade of reading, creating and socializing. Its purpose is to spread the love for books and reading. It began some years ago and you can find their reading corners quickly spreading all over Slovenia.

Our students will spend an English lesson in September reading under the treetops. However, we invite everyone to take time for a good book and browse through it in the soothing shade.

Tina Frelj and Poli Hočvar Eve

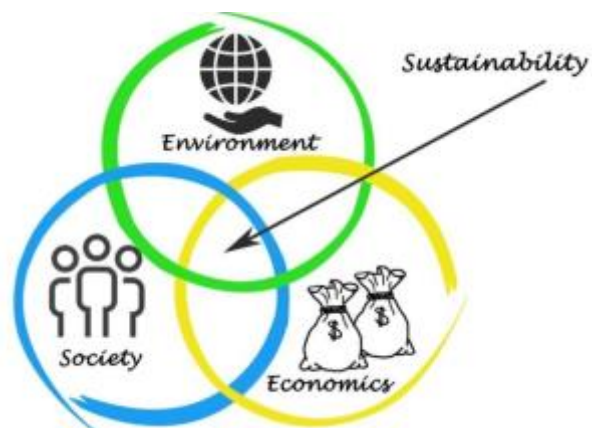


SUSTAINABILITY

in the school year 2022/23 there will be many different activities going on in connection to raising awareness about preserving our planet and leading a sustainable lifestyle. We will be learning how to garden, cook, reuse fabrics and different materials better, learn about different organisations and actions that are going on - the students will also be able to carry out their individual commitments, service and community projects in connection to these topics.

We will start with gardening and flower arranging in the last week of September. You will get more information soon!

Ms Maja Kastelic, Ms Lojzka Lušin, Mr Simon Zoretič Gajser, Ms Sonja Križman., Ms Anja Podreka, Ms Katarina Čepič



MOBILITY WEEK

From the **16 to the 22 of September** there is the international week of mobility - where more sustainable ways of traveling to school will be promoted. You are invited and challenged to come to school by bicycle, public transport, by foot or share transport with a schoolmate. We must all chip in to keep our planet green and healthy. We will also have some sport activities which will remind us of how important it is to move and do it in an environmentally kind way.

Rethink, share, move, do!

Ms Katarina Čepič and Ms Jasna Lušin



COUNSELLING CORNER

School counsellors prepared a counselling corner for all the students of our school, from national and international department. You can find the corner on the ground floor, next to the lockers of MYP students. In case of any difficulties students can get information where to find help, who to talk to, about relaxation techniques, contacts of organisations who help teenagers...You are warmly welcome to visit our corner

Ms Maja Majnik



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Dear DKIS community,

Our students can also join an international or [Slovenian ECAs](#) activities.

We will organise the activity only if there will be enough applications for it. The extracurricular activities will run from the beginning of October 2022 to the end of May 2023 with certain exceptions and limitations.

Please apply to fuerstm@os-danilekumar.si by Friday, 16 September.

You can help yourself with the following form: My childgradewould like to attend the following extra-curricular activity/ies run by the international/Slovenian department:.....

ECA	Mentor(s)	Grade(s)	When	Where
Lego Robotics	Lojzka Lušin	MYP	Wednesday lesson 0 Wednesday lesson 7/8	367
Journalism	Anja Dežman, Tina Frelj	MYP	Tuesday lesson 0 (could change)	369
Cooking	Sonja KrižmanLaunay, Katarina Čepič	PYP	Tuesday (lesson 7,8)	155
WSC	Simon Zoretič Gajser	MYP		
DIY	Anja Plut	3 - 5	Thursday (14.05 – 15.05)	215 (5M)
English Sports	Andrew Tomlin	4 - 8	Monday/Tuesday Lesson 7/8 Tentative	Dome/Gym
Poetry/Rap Writing	Andrew Tomlin	4 - 8	Monday/Tuesday Lesson 6 Tentative	
English for Parents	Mateja Kores			
Extra art	Anja Podreka	MYP	Wednesday 7th & 8th lesson	K1/art classroom
English for Parents	Mateja Kores	Parents	Wednesday 12:30-13:30 or 11:30-12:30	368 or ?
Astronomy	Saša Krapež	PYP 3,4,5	Tuesday 14:05-14:50	341 (design)
Spanish - continuation	Tea Jelnikar	PYP 2, 3, 4	Monday lesson 8	369
Dance	Živa Skomšek	KG	Tuesday 11:15	Auditorium
Slovenian Reading Badge (MYP – proficient communicators)	Lidija Janeš Bajič, Dajana Trifunović	MYP, proficient communicators (phases 5 and 6)	Tuesday, lesson 0	168
Indoor climbing (MAX 10 students)	Alen Kovačič	2m-4m	Wednesday 2pm	Climbing wall
Experiments in Chemistry (MAX 8 students)	Maja Kastelic	MYP	Wednesday , Lesson 8	365
Volunteering	Maja Majnik	5 - 8	As agreed	340
Choir (starts at the end of November)	Kristina Štemberger	5 - 8	TBA	Music classroom
Choir (starts at the end of November)	Kristina Štemberger	1 - 4	TBA	Music classroom
Upcycling	Andrew Tomlin	4 - 8	Monday/Tuesday Lesson 6 Tentative	
BeatBoxing	TBA	5 - 8	TBA	TBA
Slovenian for Parents	Melita Plešnik	Parents	Mondays, lesson 6	170

CALENDAR IN BRIEF

5.	MON	
6.	TUE	
7.	WED	
8.	THUR	
9.	FRI	PYP CULTURAL DAY
10.	SAT	
11.	SUN	
12.	MON	
13.	TUE	
14.	WED	GENERAL MEETINGS
15.	THUR	MYP 2 SCIENCE DAY GENERAL MEETINGS
16.	FRI	
17.	SAT	
18.	SUN	