

ADAPTING TO LIVING IN LJUBLJANA

Ljubljana is a wonderful city. There are a lot of beautiful parks, shops, museums and many other interesting places, but there is also etiquette when it comes to visiting all these places, and of course school! This blog post will tell you everything you need to know about living in Ljubljana and how to adapt to a Slovenian school (Danila Kumar).



Ljubljana City

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HOW TO ADAPT TO DANILA KUMAR SCHOOL

1) **Manners & Rules**

When it comes to school in Slovenia, there are rules and manners just like any other school should have. At Danila Kumar, the basic rules usually include

- Raising hand
- No talking back to the teacher
- No phones in class (unless the teacher allows it)
- No running in class/hallways
- Bringing homework on time

1.2) How to be organized (school work) + Supplies you need

If you are stressing over grades and not sure how you can be organized in school, then this part of the blog post will help you. One of the biggest tips is to always listen to the teacher, ALWAYS, and if you do not understand something it is always good to either raise your hand or talk to the teacher after the lesson and ask them the questions you are curious about. Another important part of organization when it comes to school is to make neat and understandable notes that can help you with understanding the subject you are learning about. I know sometimes it is hard to make neat notes and you might not have the nicest handwriting, but that does not really matter. Usually, it is the order and highlighting the important parts and writing them down in keywords – whatever works for you.

And the last thing is a list of school supplies that are NOT usually provided by school

- Slippers
- PE clothes (T- shirt & shorts or sweatpants)
- Pencil case with (highlighters, pencil, ruler, pen)
- Extra notebook (most classes give notebooks but some do not)

1.3) Dress code

Dress code in Danila Kumar School is not as strict as you think it is. So do not worry about buying new clothes or completely changing your style if you own something that is appropriate, you will be simply fine. Sometimes, the dress code depends on the teachers some teachers might be stricter but these go for both boys and girls so it is all equal and fair. And if you are wondering, for girls yes, the school does allow makeup and all type of hairstyles there are only rules for the clothes!

- No short shorts (girls & boys)
- No belly buttons/ short shirts
- No shoulder showing (tank tops, tube tops, etc.)
- No shoes (just slippers)

1.4) School building

So now that you know everything about the school, you might still be wondering: “I don’t know the school how will I get around?” And trust me, eventually, you will get used to the school building, and this part of the blog post will help you out. Starting off with what you NEED to know, there are three buildings in the school. **Building I** is for the 6th – 9th graders but this building is mostly used by the national students, you do have music class, Slovenian class, and middle GYM there and if you are

worried about how to get there the students go to every class together, so you can just follow your classmates or ask your homeroom teacher for extra help (if you need it). Moving on, **Building II** is the entrance and the library is there but nothing else for middle school and **Building III** is where you have most classes.

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2.1) How to get around Center & shops

So now you know how to get around the school right? Now it is time for you to learn about how to get around the center and shops in Ljubljana! If you like shopping, the center is perfect for you. Copova is a great street in the center. Copova street includes clothes' shops, a book store and you even have a drugstore that has makeup products, skincare products, and much more! A common street where to find restaurants is called is Adamič- Lundo-rovo nabrežje. If you are still having trouble getting around the city, it might be a smart idea if you find a picture of the Ljubljana map on google and then you could print it out and look through it.



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(map shown on the picture)

2.2) City Dress code

Ljubljana does not have a specific type of dress code. People in Ljubljana dress casually and nothing special, most people just wear a pair of jeans and a shirt, but do not worry about fitting in, you can wear whatever you want and, as always, there are people with unique styles! Although in summer, it might not be the best idea to wear jeans, it is good to wear something light like shorts or a summer dress! In winter, although, it gets a bit chilly so be ready to wear a very warm sweater and a puffy warm jacket with some cotton jeans that will keep you warm!

2.3) Public Transport

Vroom Vroom! This part of the blog post talks about public transport! If you are used to being on busses or trains then you most likely know how the process works but, if you have no experience, the first thing you will need to know is that if you take the bus, you need an Urbana card (Urbana is a type of card that has money on it so you can ride on public busses). You can get your Urbana card next to some bus stops where there should be a type of green machine, you can also top up your Urbana card with credit there. Moving on, you might wonder how to find the bus stop that you want to get off and on at? Busses have numbers on them and each time there is usually an announcement!

Tips for riding on busses!

- Get close to the exit (might be crowded when you try to get out)
- Move to the back (start of the bus is usually crowded)
- The start has the Urbana card (where you swipe your Urbana)
- If you want to get off and the door doesn't open press a button that is usually next to exits of the doors

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