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Spring

UPCOMING EVENTS

COBIS Annual Conference: 10 - 12 May

PET tests: 22 May

Spelling Bee: 20 May

Class Photos: 23 May

School in Nature: 9 - 13 June

Graduation and Garden Party: 19 June

PORG Ostrava Summer Party: 24 June

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Dear Parents, Students, and Colleagues,

As we move through the vibrant springtime, I am delighted to share some highlights and upcoming events in our school community.
We proudly celebrated #MyFreedomDay, a powerful event during which our students explored the meaning of freedom and justice. Through thoughtful discussions, workshops, and creative expressions, we supported global awareness and stood together in advocating for a better world.

We are thrilled to announce that all children from our Butterfly Perceptions program passed their entrance interviews and will join us as Year 1 pupils next academic year. We look forward to officially welcoming these bright young learners into the next phase of their educational journey.

We also had a wonderful event and saw our annual Poetry Recital. This cherished event gave students the chance to develop and showcase their public speaking, memorization, and expression skills. Our preschoolers were special guests and watched with joy and admiration as older pupils performed. Every child was simply amazing! Special congratulations go to Polina from Key Stage 1 and Thwin Phone from Key Stage 2 for their outstanding performances.

In March, we held our regular Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences, providing a valuable opportunity to reflect on students' progress and set new goals for the months ahead. Thank you to all families who participated and continue to support their children's growth.

Our Year 6 students recently completed their grammar school entrance exams and are eagerly awaiting their results. We are proud of their efforts and perseverance.

I am excited to attend the COBIS Annual Conference in London from May 10–12, representing our school as a proud Council of British International Schools member. This conference is an excellent opportunity to meet fellow educators, exchange best practices, and bring back fresh ideas and innovative approaches to benefit our school community.

Looking ahead, please mark these important dates:

- Principal's Days Off: Friday, 2 May and 9 May (no school on these days)
- COBIS Annual Conference, London, UK: 10 – 12 May
- School in Nature: Monday, 9 June to Friday, 13 June – a wonderful outdoor learning experience!
- Graduation Party & End-of-Year Celebration: Thursday, 19 June. You are warmly invited to join us in celebrating our students' achievements and the wonderful school year we've shared.
- Last Day of School: On Friday, 27 June, students will receive their final reports.

As always, thank you for your continued trust and support. We are incredibly proud of every one of our students and are excited to close this academic year with celebration, pride, and joy. Wishing each of you happiness, success, and a bright path ahead.

Warm regards,

Barbora Gazdova, Head of PORG Internaitonal School

LITTLE BUTTERFLIES

We've had a very exciting and busy spring in our kindergarten class! The children have been learning, playing, and trying lots of new things.

In April, we had a special Easter workshop with our moms. It was so much fun! We made colorful Easter crafts, decorated eggs, and even shared some yummy treats. It was a wonderful way to celebrate together and show our moms how creative we can be.

Our swimming lessons have started too! The children are doing an amazing job learning how to float, kick, and splash safely in the water. Some were a little nervous at first, but now everyone is having a great time and becoming more confident each week.





The preschoolers also had their enrolment testing for Year 1. The children have been working hard, showing how much they've learned this year—things like letters, numbers, and listening skills. We're so proud of their progress and how well they're preparing for the big step ahead!

And of course, we're enjoying the beautiful spring season. We've been spending more time outside, watching flowers bloom, listening to birds sing, and playing in the sunshine. The children are curious and excited about all the changes happening in nature.

It's been a joyful season full of learning and laughter!





YEAR 1

Spring is here! We are all in a better mood. Year 1 is enjoying going swimming and playing outside. The arrival of spring brings with it the Easter holidays. We had fun making Easter crafts. We used air-drying clay to make our eggs, which we then decorated and put in a nest.

In Math, we are revising our numbers and all the different ways in which we can count them. School work is not only about doing written lessons or reading, it is about working together. I am proud that they have learned to work together and help their friends when they need it. They do this without complaining and quite enjoy it.





The month of May will bring with it our annual Spelling Bee, what a better way to revise our letters then trying to find them on the whiteboard. Spring is also about planting and in Science we planted some beans. I always say, waiting is the hardest thing to learn. We will wait and see how they grow and then we will measure them in our books.

Our library is growing thanks to some lovely donations, and in their spare time the children sit and read their books. We look forward to June and school in nature!





YEAR 2

As the school year is getting closer to its end, we speak more and more about KS 2 in our Y 2 class. This will be a big step to Y3 future and further education.

All kids are actively engaged in their work. We are finishing Oxford Discover book, spelling tests for this year, and we are getting ready for Spelling Bee competition (as everybody does) to crown our efforts. Numbers up to 100 should just mingle in our heads in various operations. In Science, we work on Dark and Light.









Of course, the kids get "actively engaged" in their breaks or snack times as well - have a look! 🙂 In general, I think they are a well balanced class with lots of thinking and creative brains.

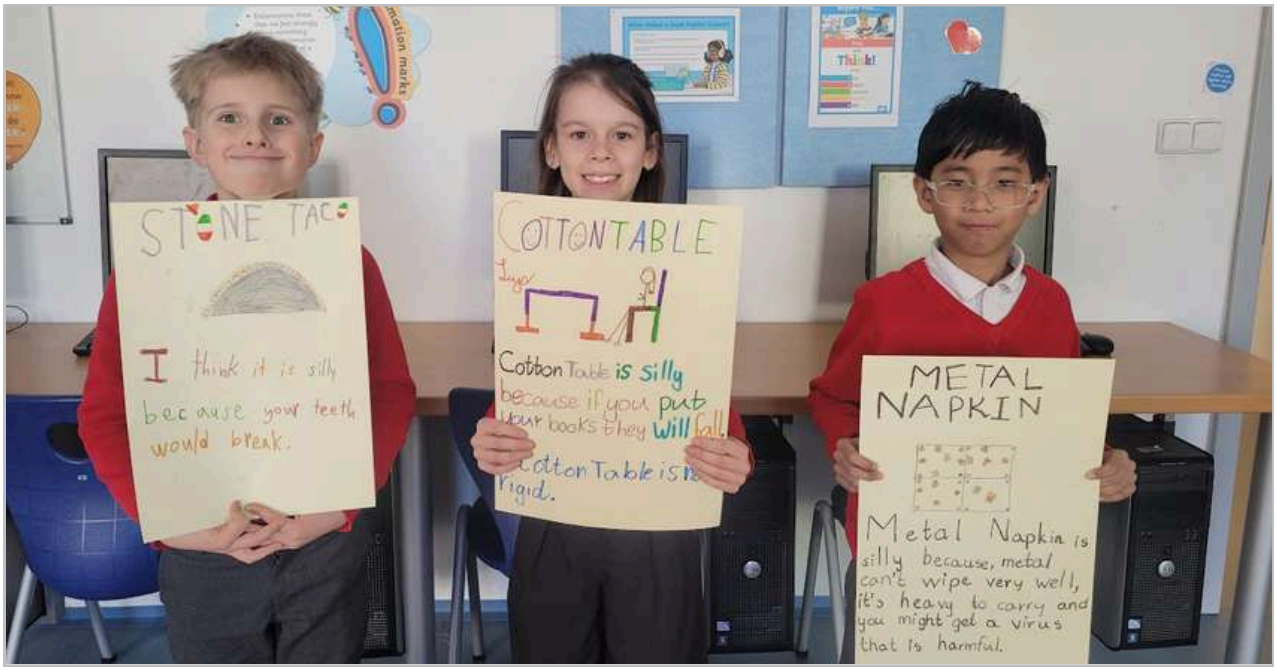




YEAR 3

Year 3 has been full of energy and curiosity this term as we've dived into exciting topics across our lessons!

In Science, we've been exploring the world of forces and magnets. The children had a great time using magnets to discover which materials are magnetic and which are not. We also learned how to use a forcemeter to measure how strong different forces are. Taking our science outdoors, we became detectives—identifying materials in nature and talking about their properties like hardness, texture, and whether they are natural or man-made.



In Math, things got competitive (and very fun!) with our multiplication and division race. The children had to solve the problems quickly and accurately to race to the finish line. It was a fantastic way to build speed and confidence with our times tables and division facts—and there were lots of cheers and high-fives!

It's been a wonderful time of learning through hands-on experiences and teamwork. Year 3 continues to impress us with their enthusiasm and growing independence!

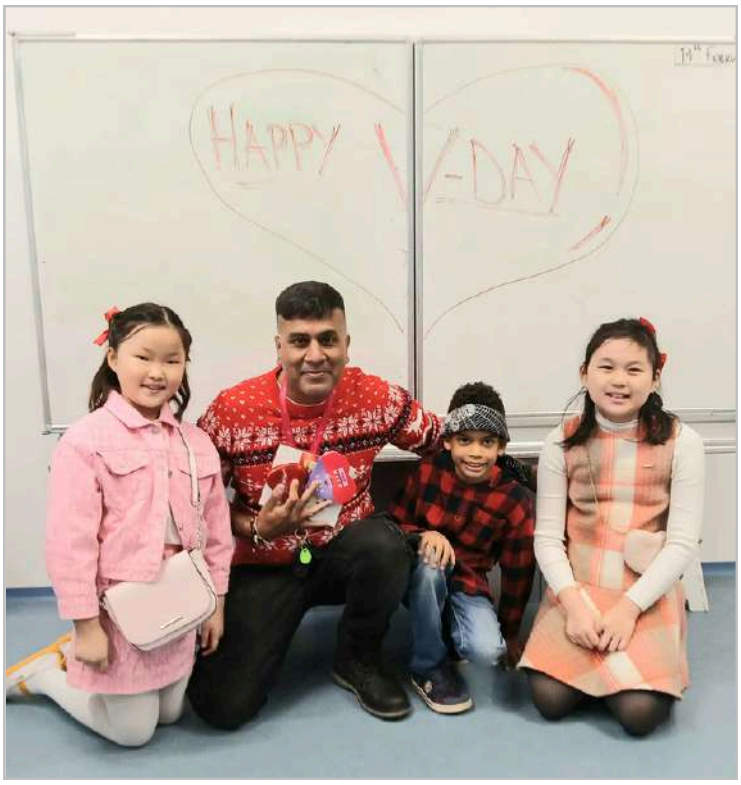




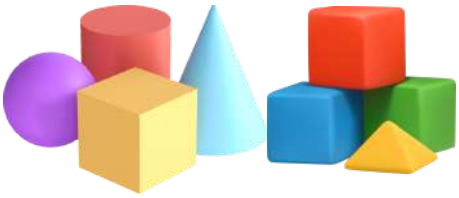


YEAR 4

Semester-Two has been in full swing not only in terms of studies but also in the bonding of these three YEAR 4 students who have great admiration for each other and some cheeky moments too. The hard work for end of semester testing is ahead but we have every faith in their abilities and look forward to winding down the year with our school in nature.











YEAR 5

It has been a while since the last newsletter and many exciting things have happened since then. Firstly, Year 5 has a new student, Darwin. He is from England and joins us here as his father plays American Football with the Ostrava Steelers. Our class keeps growing and soon I will be out of room and will need to stack them vertically. We would like to extended a huge "Welcome to Ostrava."

On the academic side in science we had a very interesting experiment involving dissection of hearts, pig not human, and I am glad to say no one fainted. They were very involved and love getting their hands dirty and bloody. We looked at the shape of the 4 chambers, the Aorta and the various tissues than make up the heart. Overall, they did excellent and hopefully we will have some heart surgeons in the future.







YEAR 6

It's that time of the year when Year 6 pupils face some of the biggest tests of their lives! Next year will take them to secondary school and most of the class have been taking entrance exams and attending interviews to get into the best schools they can.

Despite the stress and workload, they have stayed positive and become a little bit more self-confident as their results have come in. They know that they have overcome the challenge and the rest of the year will be easier for them, so we hope they can relax and pour their energy into enjoying the last semester of Primary School.

We have also been involved in projects in computing, science and art lessons but the favourite topic remains history. We have been learning about the Roman Empire all year and have brought the subject to life by forming the First Contubernium of the Sixth Century of the Year 6 Legion 'Victorious' and learning about historical reenactment. In art and craft lessons, we have made reproduction shields with as much historical accuracy as possible and are preparing a display of Roman military skills for the end of term.





So until next time, 'Contubernium primum centuriae sextae legionis sextae Victrix te salutat!'

LOOKING BACK....

MY FREEDOM DAY - MARCH 11









SWIMMING COURSE, APRIL 15 - MAY 13











EASTER WORKSHOP – LITTLE BUTTERFLIES













POETRY RECITAL - APRIL 24













EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

At PORG International School, learning goes beyond the classroom with our amazing extracurricular clubs! From sports teams and drama to coding, music, and art, there's something for everyone to explore and enjoy.

These clubs provide students with a chance to develop new skills, build friendships, and discover their passions. Whether you love science or brain games, there's a place for you to shine!
We encourage all students to get involved and make the most of these opportunities. For more details on available clubs and meeting times, please contact Mr. David!

- Reading Club
- Rubik's Cube
- English games
- Logic
- Let's Move
- Coding
- Drama
- Martial Arts
- Creative
- Brain Games
- Memory games
- Craft & Technology
- Art
- Junior Duke
- Science Club
- Teamwork Challenge
- Spanish
- MonoPorgly
- Football
- Storytelling

For more photos, check out our albums on KidsNote.

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Online Resources for PORG Students

Mathletics

Raz-Kids

Typing Club

Microsoft 365

Umime česky

Scratch

Canva

Spring Wellbeing

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