

QSI International School of Skopje Weekly News



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Ladybugs and Tents

If you saw some ladybugs flying around QSI you probably met the four year old class. They learned about ladybugs. The children enjoyed it! Some learning experiences included a walk through the garden with magnifying glasses. We observed the ladybug and all the other bugs, insects and spiders we found in class. We listened to Eric Carle's book: "The Very Grouchy Ladybug." The children learned to draw a ladybug with two antennae, six legs and dots. We made ladybug costumes and acted out the ladybugs song we learned. And we had a cooking class where we made red jelly ladybugs, very tasty!

The class also enjoyed a camping party in a real tent and enjoyed a picnic lunch with Ms Louise and Ms Daniela.



Soon to be Globes

The six year old class has been busy creating their own model of the earth. They have been layering paper mache onto their balloons to create the base of their globe. It has been quite the achievement with some of the balloons not cooperating, but instead popping on the children! This week they will be adding blue paint for the oceans and green painted continents to complete this project. Look for the transformation next week!

Take Me Out to the Ball Game

The times for baseball have been confirmed; practices are Tuesday's 17:30 till 19:00 (or until dark) and Saturday's 10:00 until 12:00. The first practice is scheduled for Tuesday, 23 September, and will continue until the first Saturday in November.

What remains the same: Field -- ARM next to the stadium; Cost -- In the fall, it is 500 MK Denars (because of the short season); Shoes -- regular tennis/all purpose shoes (NO cleats of any kind.); Registration -- Please send Wes Gould or Tim Donnay an email with players name; birth date, and skill level (i.e. never played before; or played the last two years; etc). Or, come to the first practice on Tuesday with that information and the registration fee. **Note:** We could use a couple of parent volunteers to collect the fees and record the kids names and birthdates--any volunteers?

As for Coaches, this is what we have (subject to change):

Junior League (13 - 14 year olds): Paul Venhuizen, Nick Temjanovski and Robert McCormick

Coach Pitch (9 - 12 year olds): Wes Gould, Tim Pruett (part-time), Josh Wilson (Saturdays), and Tim Donnay (weekdays).

Tee Ball (under 9): Chris Carty, Chris Volciak, Ian Gould and Alex Woods (Saturdays).

If you have any questions, please let Wes Gould or Tim Donnay know. **Note:** Wes Gould and Tim Donnay are still looking for helpers. This is something that some staff members may want to support and help as a coach or umpire. Their emails are Wes Gould: sgould@san.osd.mil; Tim Donnay: tdonnay@usaid.gov

Library Opening Hours
Check Out/Check in Books for Students,
Teachers and Parents

Monday-Friday
8:00 - 8:20
3:15 - 3:45

Your cooperation would be helpful as
the library is being used for classes and
Ms Stojana is asking that we use the
library at these times to check books out
or in form the library. Children will still
be able to choose books during their
scheduled library time.

Did You Know? An earthworm has five hearts.

<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com>

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Do You Want to Learn Macedonian?

If you would like to learn Macedonian but find it hard to commit to grammar and learning from books, this might be something for you! Learn Macedonian in small groups with interactive language training (based on a Dutch language program), creating real life situations to learn to express yourself in Macedonian. The program has been developed for the International Women's Association, but men and women who would like to learn Macedonian can join us

For more information contact Eva Oscarsson (QSI parent really keen to learn Macedonian). Her email address is eva.oscarsson@daylightacademy.com, 3072239 or mobile, 070967862 or Sinolicka Trpkova-Noli (instructor and teacher) trpkovas@mt.net.mk, 075747710. The address is Franc Presern 6 (Vlae). An information session of "Macedonian Language through Drama" will take a place on 18th of September between 10:00 and 11 30 (drop-in).

The Very Young Pianist

Vivian Povetska has developed a piano-music program designed for individual and small groups for kindergarten age children. Her lessons are divided into units and are created to provide a series of successful group piano lessons. There are some advantages of a child taking piano lessons at an early age: they will learn to concentrate; they will gain confidence and satisfaction in learning a new skill; and they will develop an additional interest and activity aside from school and play. For more information please contact Vivian at school.

Gifts and Giving

Sometimes we should think about the gifts we have been given and the wonderful things we can give to others with a kind word and a positive comment. Material items are okay but what can we do for others!

"No one has ever become poor by giving."
~ Anne Frank ~

The Seven Wonders of the World Author Unknown

Junior high school students in Chicago were studying the Seven Wonders of the World. At the end of the lesson, the students were asked to list what they considered to be the Seven Wonders of the World. Though there was some disagreement, the following received the most votes:

1. Egypt's Great Pyramids
2. The Taj Mahal in India
3. The Grand Canyon in Arizona
4. The Panama Canal

5. The Empire State Building
6. St. Peter's Basilica
7. China's Great Wall

While gathering the votes, the teacher noted that one student, a quiet girl, hadn't turned in her paper yet. So she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. The quiet girl replied, "Yes, a little. I couldn't quite make up my mind because there were so many."

The teacher said, "Well, tell us what you have, and maybe we can help."

The girl hesitated, then read, "I think the Seven Wonders of the World are:

1. To touch
2. To taste
3. To see
4. To hear...She hesitated a little, and then added
5. To feel
6. To laugh
7. And to love.

The room was so quiet; you could have heard a pin drop.

May this story serve as a gentle reminder to all of us that the things we overlook as simple and ordinary are often the most wonderful - and we don't have to travel anywhere special to experience them!

Enjoy your gifts!

<http://www.inspirationpeak.com/shortstories/sevenwonders.html>

Important Dates



19 Sep - Community Time 8:25 a.m. Recurring Event on Friday's.

19 Sep - Book Sale; Fun Friday; Parent Orientation

21 Sep - World Peace Day

25 Sep - Open Stage 6:30 p.m.

2-3 Oct - Teacher Professional Development; No School

7 Oct - PTO Meeting 6:45 p.m.

10 Oct - Fun Friday 3:30 p.m.

21 Oct - 1st Quintile Ends

23 Oct - Status Reports Go Home



COME
TO OUR
BOOK SALE!!!

Event: *QSI Book Sale*

Where: *QSI Gym*

When: *Friday, After Back to School Night*

You are welcome to bring friends!

Price list:

White label: 150 den

Yellow label: 200 den

Orange label: 250 den

Green label: 300 den

Pink label: 350 den

Old books: 50 den

