



Eda's news

EduArt Nursery and Preschool Newsletter
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Dear parents, dear friends,

The summer month of July has begun. Most people equate summer vacation with rest. However, this is not entirely true for us and in this case we are very pleased! We are in full swing at both branches. We hope the children experience a relaxing summer program with a taste of the summer holidays. The adults on our team are intensely working on great news for both our branches.

Children in Prague 2 will certainly feel the summer breeze, due to the installation of skylights in our kindergarten during the summer. Our temporary refuge will be the elementary school on Slovenská street, which will provide us with everything we need and more. We have several classes, bathrooms, our own kitchen, and a blessing during the summer: a private garden with games and shady corners.



In Prague 4, in our amazing garden, we plan to install raised wooden flower beds. In these, children will improve their gardening skills and grow a healthy snack with their own hands during the summer. We will also certainly make great use of the shade under the trees and the refreshing water mist. From July, this branch will also have a new director - our own **Adéla Stejskalová**, who everyone - both parents and children, already know very well. Not only will she be in charge of running the kindergarten, but she will also continue to work as a teacher and speech therapist at the school.

Our whole team is looking forward to the summer with your children!

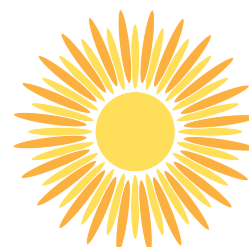
Perhaps the biggest news, however, is that EduArt will grow with a new space in Prague 2!

Because there is great interest in our services, we will build several new classrooms with a capacity of 20 children on the ground floor of the apartment building opposite our current location. Newcomers can look forward to beautifully renovated rooms with great facilities and equipment from autumn.

We have a lot ahead of us, so keep your fingers crossed :-)

I wish you all pleasant and sunny days!

Ida Smékalová,
co-founder





EVENT CALENDAR

8.7. Svatopluk Čech park - Waterplay

13.7. Herold Gardens - Observing various outfits

22.7. Trip around old town

27.7. Park Folimanka - World of insects



We will spend the first summer month in our temporary refuge in the primary school Slovenská, where the kindergarten is being moved for the summer due to the reconstruction of the roof.

This reconstruction and temporary move won't hinder us, however, as we will continue to discover the world around us. That is why we prepared many interesting topics in July. The first week of July is called "U rybníka" or "At the Pond". We will guide children through the fascinating ecosystem that ponds offer. We will certainly make full use of the garden that the school has with the various outdoor games that are focused around our theme.

Next week we will move with the children into the world of fashion. We will look at the history of clothing with children, the purpose of getting dressed, and also the differences in clothing between girls and boys. A big fashion show is also planned for this week.

We will replace the fashion catwalk of the second week with the color palette in our little "Czech Republic". Together, we will see what has changed through the centuries of our country, as well as the important sites and people. We will also discover the beauty of the Czech landscape and its various attractions.

We'll arm ourselves with magnifying glasses in the last week as we set out into nature to observe the smallest, but at the same time the most numerous part of the animal kingdom - the world of insects. In addition to exploring this miniature and fascinating world, we will also take a look at the rich supply of fairy tales with insect themes and their heroes.

Weekly topics:

- How do we protect nature
- At the pond
- Clothing
- Czech Republic



July in Libuš



Summer is finally here in full force and we will spend it traveling together to individual continents - every week we will enjoy a different one!

In the first week, which is still largely in June, we will focus on our home continent of Europe. We will show where it is on the globe and get acquainted with the culture and lifestyle of Europeans.

The second week will be marked by Asia. Together, we will explore its mysterious nooks and crannies and learn about some of the local fauna and flora. We will use the beautiful summer weather and blooming nature as part of the Meadow Picnic.

In the third week, we are looking forward to the uniqueness of the smallest continent - Australia. Children will get to know the beautiful nature and lifestyle of those on the opposite side of the globe. In the great heat, which is typical for summer, we will cool off at the Ice Cream Festival, where we will enjoy excellent fruit sorbets.

In the fourth week we will move to North and South America. We will talk about how the life of Americans differs from ours, what languages are spoken and what animals we would come across. The program will be enriched by a trip to the Prague Zoo.

The last week of July will be marked by the beauties of Africa. This continent is home to many exotic animals and ancient traditions that we will learn together. We also have an exciting Forest Challenge waiting for us this week.

Weekly topics:

- Europe
- Asia
- Australia
- North and South America
- Africa

EVENT CALENDAR

8.7. Picnic in a meadow

14.7. Ice Cream Party

20.7. Trip to Zoo

29.7. Forest Challenge





Information technologies in EduArt

Michal Křístek



Following the article in the last issue, I will now introduce you to the use of Information Technology (ICT) directly in our kindergarten. We use three basic types of technology in teaching: 3BOX, tablets and the laptop. On average, we involve them in teaching once or twice a week.

The most commonly used and most popular tool among children is the interactive 3BOX projector (owl), which offers many activities for smaller and preschool children. In addition to the classic possibility of screening documentaries or fairy tales, there are many applications children can directly control themselves. The owl projects both on the wall and on the ground. For preschoolers, the ability to project directly on the ground for games is key, as this type of game is completely natural for them. The offered programs develop logical-mathematical intelligence, musical, or graphomotor skills. For example, it is a "game" in which the child, using an interactive pen, matches the images with the appropriate sounds. Children prefer the sounds of animals, vehicles, and musical instruments. They also love the game of putting pictures together, which, because of its size allows even the youngest children to better perceive the whole picture. Other "games" that develop cognitive abilities include matching images to their silhouettes, finding a way out of the maze, and memorizing various objects.

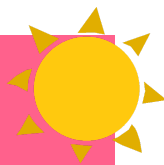
We also like to use tablets that provide applications with similar focus as the "owl", with the only difference being that the children sit still and calmly at the table. They require a higher degree of independence and thus the responsibility of each individual child increases. Therefore, we include tablets in older children from about 4 years of age, who already fully understand how to control this type of technology. Finally, we incorporate a laptop into our lessons, especially to listen to music or play themed sounds. For example, in our recent topic "In the forest", we experienced firsthand what the forest sounds like.

Finally, here are some tips for applications on tablets and mobile phones that can be installed, as a way to supplement our education and development of your children.

Tips for websites and applications

- tonda-obal.cz
- Bezpečné cesty.cz (bezpecnecesty.cz)
- ceskatelevize.cz
- Vlavici.cz
- Lipa Land
- Tam a sem s myšákem!
- Bimi Boo – Toddler Games – Batolečí hry pro 2-5 let
- Edudadoo – edudadoo.zy.cz
- Matemág – matemag.cz
- Khan Academy Kids
- Děčko Mozkovna
- Timmy's First Words in English
- Malý záchranář
- Lightbot
- Mimpi Dreams
- slovohratky.cz
- Logopedie-Aplikace.cz





When I was young and began babysitting, I learned to communicate with children and understand their needs. During my bachelor's studies at the 1st Medical Faculty of Charles University, I worked with children. After a short break in my studies I returned and realized that I would like to work with children in the future full-time.

I started to improve in the field of childcare and supplemented my education with various activities. I have experience in leading a classroom, a children's group, and have worked in a kindergarten.



I like to spend my free time in the fresh air, play sports and ride my bike. I would like to pass on the joy of movement to children, in the form of exercise, dancing, walking, games, and so much else!



Working with children fills me with positive energy and joy. It's amazing how how I feel after teaching. I like to support and help children in one of the first periods of socialization in their lives. Every child has a unique personality and needs space for individual self-expression and understanding. I like to inspire children, but at the same time they are an inspiration to me.