



HERITAGE
International School



THE INTERNATIONAL HERITAGE HERALD

May 6, 2022



GENERAL

Thought for the week:

“Fear is only as deep as the mind allows.” -Japanese Proverb

Director's weekly notes- "The view from Dacia Boulevard"

Well, we have got to May and the last few weeks of an extraordinary academic year. The sunny weather, coupled with a very green Chisinau in the late Spring is certainly going a long way to lift everyone's mood as we find the additional energy and burst to complete our 5th academic year as a school. I know from just being at the school gate at the start of the week how much everyone appreciated and needed the Spring break. I think the school community is also getting used to the changes in the regulations for the pandemic as we see full faces & smiles again after 2 years and we are also getting used to the new climate as we plan on site and off site activities for the students. It was my pleasure to welcome the new Polish ambassador to Moldova, His Excellency, Tomasz Kobzdej and his family, to Heritage this week and show them our school. Next week we are able to hold our Sports' Day for the first time since 2019. On the 20th May, we get to celebrate the graduation from Primary School success of Grade 4 and Cambridge 6E Primary. Best of all, we can have the families of these wonderful students to watch the ceremony in the school quad. We are collecting for the AREAL/FOMS animal welfare shelter just outside of Chisinau and donations can still be brought into school after the 6th May because we want to make sure they are supported as they are inundated with more dogs and cats from the war in Ukraine.



It would be very difficult to write any "View from Dacia Boulevard" without a reference to the war that has dominated our corner of Europe since February especially as we are right next door to Ukraine as a neighbouring country. There are many lessons and developments coming out of this situation, not least the number of "experts", who until last month probably hadn't heard of Moldova let alone Transnistria, but now are suddenly armchair military experts up there with generals Washington, Napoleon, Grant and Zhukov. Three things I want to state here; firstly, I am extremely grateful for the very detailed, regular and informed information and advice I get to plan, prepare & anticipate the school's operations and strategy in this extraordinary time, from our colleagues in the professional international community, physically here in Chisinau. This means being able to inform the school community accurately when needed. Secondly, much as I love social media, we know from the curriculum work we undertake with our students, media literacy, critical thinking and spotting misinformation are key skills for all of us if we are going to navigate the 2020s and not be paralysed by fear because of a post we see from someone with 4 followers on Twitter, who joined in March 2022 but is definite, without sources, that "Moldova is next!". Thirdly, our community is our absolute strength and having gone through two extraordinary years of a near existentialist crisis with the pandemic where learning and everything else had to adapt fast, we know the strength and bind of the glue of the moral fabric of our community when we are at our best. We are very fortunate to also be connected globally to so many professional networks from Cambridge to COBIS to ETwinning to the British Council. All of them give their support and advice to me and my colleagues constantly. It is a vision of the World we believe in strongly and our global humanitarian values we need to remember when we feel fear creeping into our minds. This is how we will get through these weeks and months and ensure we give our children the certainty of education, hope and a better future, during these tough & sometimes uncertain times.

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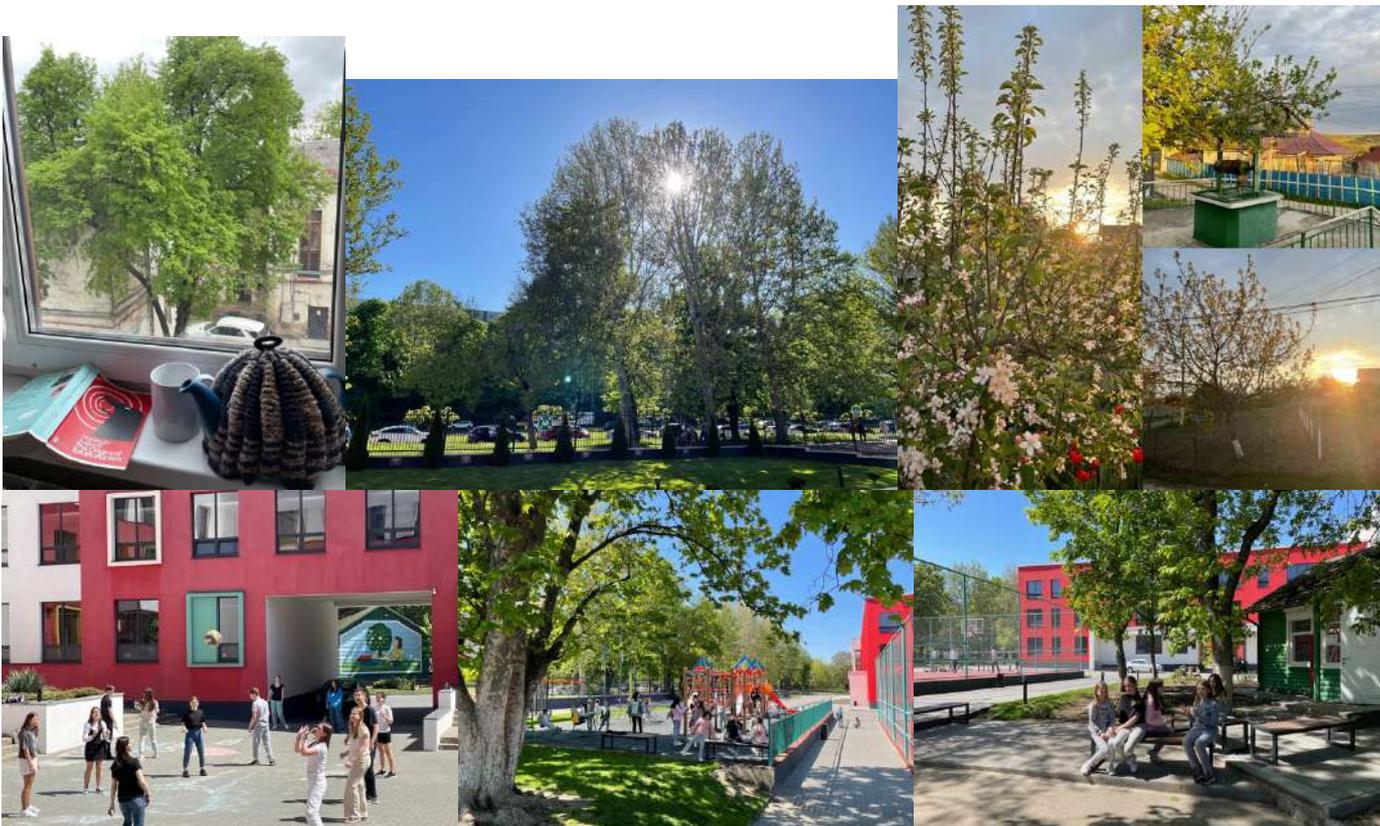


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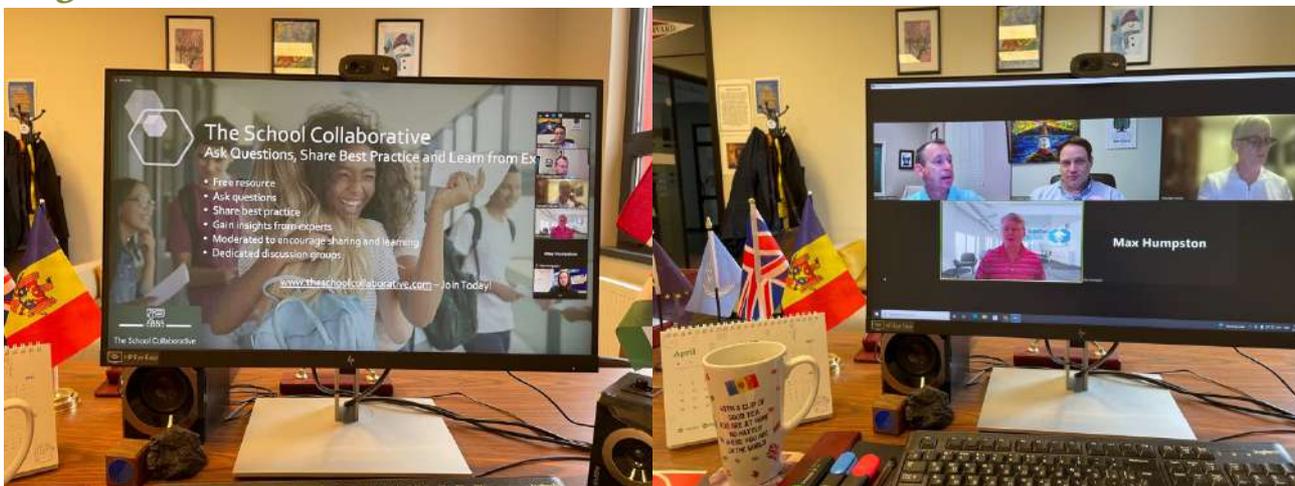
We have the long weekend coming up, although I am looking forward to the 10th May as we have been invited to US Ambassador Logsdon's "Town Hall" event and we are looking forward to meeting His Excellency and his wife, as well as catching up with many friends and families of the US community in our school and in Moldova. On the 9th May we will be commemorating peace in Europe after WWII, Europe Day and President Sandu's "Moldova for Peace" declaration.

If you haven't let the school know already, we need to know from existing families about their wish to keep their places in school for the new academic year 2022-23. We have families joining us weekly and waiting lists for a number of classes from potential families wanting places at Heritage so as soon as possible please.

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for your support of me and our school,
Rob Ford



Heritage in the Wider World:





<https://isn.education/articles/open/why-education-has-changed-for-the-better-during-the-pandemic/>

Why Education Has Changed For The Better During The Pandemic
 Published: 06/05/22
 Digital & the Future of Learning, Leadership, # School Culture and Community Engagement
 Commentary Article

Tatiana Popa
 Head of Global Education & Hybrid Learning
 Coordinator, Heritage International School in Chisinau, Moldova

Tatiana Popa reflects on the shift that the global pandemic has brought into schools and shares what works best when

Articles of interest:

- UN Women Moldova. "Women flee Ukraine, but hope for peace so they can return to their homes"; <https://moldova.unwomen.org/en/stories/feature-story/2022/04/women-flee-ukraine-but-hope-for-peace-so-they-can-return-to-their-homes>
- UNDP Moldova, April 22 Newsletter; <https://mailchi.mp/843c4af9bb88/undp-moldova-newsletter-april>
- "Daily activity is a route to a better memory as well as fitness for pupils" IE-Today; <https://ie-today.co.uk/headlines/daily-activity-good-for-brain/>
- BBC Radio 4 "The Bear next door", Paula Erinazu. Five leading cultural figures on the 'front line' of Russia's border with Europe - from the nations of Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Moldova - present a series of illustrated essays that take us into the reality of their nation's contemporary national identity in the shadow of the imposing and newly threatening giant to the east; <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0016pjp/episodes/player>

- Spring 2022 Uni of Washington Lecture Series on Ukraine's Culture and History; <https://slavic.washington.edu/news/2022/04/12/spring-2022-lecture-series-ukraines-culture-and-history>

- Youth MD article. "EARTH DAY EVERY DAY!: WHAT "ECO-FRIENDLY" MEANS AND WHAT CAN WE DO TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT". Gesica Sirbu (Heritage Student Council); <https://youth.md/earth-day-every-day-what-eco-friendly-means-and-what-can-we-do-to-improve-the-environment/>

- Strong Female Protagonists in Historical Fiction (Ages 8-14); <https://www.whatdowedoallday.com/strong-female-protagonists-in-historical-fiction/>

- Good Books to Read Aloud to 11-Year-Olds; <https://www.whatdowedoallday.com/books-to-read-aloud-to-11-year-olds/>

- Welcome to York Festival of Ideas 2022! Taking place under the banner of The Next Chapter, this year's Festival offers an exciting programme of over 150 free in-person and online events to educate, entertain and inspire. Meet world-class speakers, experience incredible performances, join fun family activities, explore York on guided tours, and more! With topics ranging from archaeology to art, history to health, and politics to psychology, the Festival promises something for all ages and interests. Browse our diverse programme - by theme, date or format - and find out everything you need to know about the Festival; <https://yorkfestivalofideas.com/2022/>

Heritage Globe:

The April edition of the [Heritage Globe](#) is now available! Be sure to check out all the great articles, art, and creative writing. You can also go into the Archive to look through older editions.

If you don't already, you can follow the Heritage Globe on social media:

Instagram: [heritage.globe](#)

Twitter: [heritage.globe](#)

-The Heritage Globe [Staff](#)



Heritage Primary:

Today 5E had an extraordinary activity "Restart your life" with our School Psychologist Mrs. Olesea Pletnirov on classroom atmosphere, relationships and personality! The students enjoyed a lot all the interactive activities. Most of all the loved pairing their stones. We will definitely manage our emotions better. "Learn to write your hurts on paper and to draw your blessings on stone"





4E have enjoyed their trip to Chişinău Zoo where they learnt a wealth of information about various species of animals.



3E field trip to the Zoo



FRIENDLY ANIMALS



We care!



1A Moldova for Peace project

MOLDOVA PENTRU PACE
Clasa I-I A proiect de grup

Vreau să învăț în liniște și Pace!

PACE

Vrem sa fie pacea in Moldova!
Pacea pentru totdeauna!

Nu exista pace fără iertare! 🙏

Pace in lume!!!

Pace in lume!!!

Pacea este liniștea ce nu se aude!

Când închid ochii, eu vad Pacea!



School Starter Students learn about the mystery of making bread





Heritage Gymnasium:
Gymnasium Assembly:

Week 31 Gymnasium assembly, Thursday 5th May 2022

Flags

We mark #Moldova #NationalDayOfMourning to reflect on the loss of innocent lives lost in Bucha & other towns & villages in #Ukraine from this war. We pray for peace to come to our part of Europe, for this war to stop. We are proud of Moldova supporting refugees in our country 🇲🇩

State flag day was set up by the Ukrainian Parliament on April 23, 2010. The tricolor was officially designated the state flag on April 27, 1990 by the deputies of the first Parliament, being hoisted on the same day on the building of the legislative forum

Maths lessons in 5A: we learned about the circle with the help of the London Eye calculating the area and length of the circle in a more special way. The students had to find out the diameter and radius of the pictures and then fit them into the formulas.



Heritage Lyceum:

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**Recommended
Cambridge International
A Level subjects for the
most popular careers**

*Heritage Lyceum is the only one in Moldova
providing the Cambridge curriculum and globally
recognized AS and A Level qualifications.*

**Heritage Lyceum
learners become:**

- confident**
- responsible**
- reflective**
- innovative**
- engaged**

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**Within the Cambridge
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Level Program**

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The admission campaign for Heritage Lyceum (grade 11) is now open. A world-class education, studying exclusively in English, Cambridge International qualifications and a phenomenal academic experience – it can all be yours! We recommend you send your application by 31st March 2022. Learn more and apply here: [The Admissions Process for our Lyceum and Cambridge International A Levels 2022-24](https://www.heritage.md/en/learning/lyceum) is now underway. Further details here: <https://fb.watch/aMTOPcPDA0/> <https://www.heritage.md/en/learning/lyceum>

Cambridge IGCSE Guide for parents <https://drive.google.com/drive/u/2/my-drive>
Cambridge AS and A Level for parents <https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/Images/268772-cambridge-international-as-a-level-a-guide-for-parents.pdf>

Global Education:

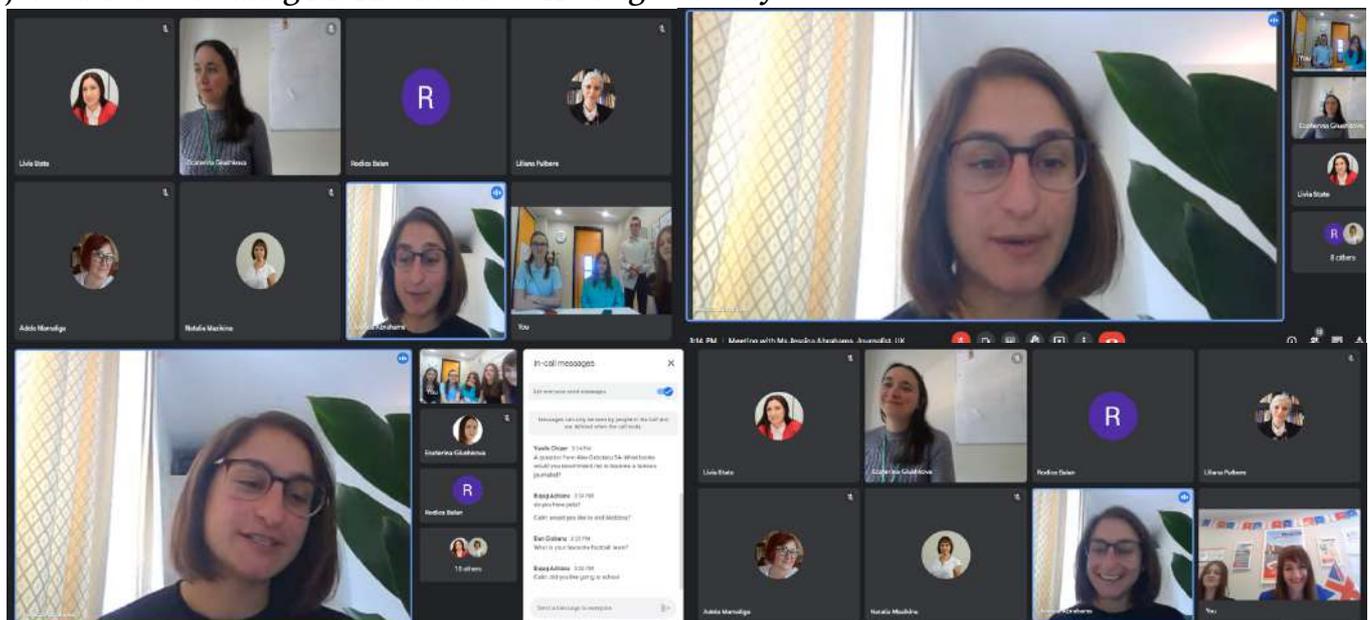
Heritage students had a meeting with Ms Jessica Abrahams, a British journalist, writing for famous newspapers such as *The Guardian*, *The Telegraph*, *Bloomberg news*, etc.

(check her bio here: <https://jessicaabrahams.com/>)

This way our students marked the World Press Freedom Day 2022, by highlighting the importance of media literacy and the freedom of press.

Ms Abrahams got in contact with Tatiana Popa on Twitter in late February and interviewed her about the situation in the country with the reference to the war in Ukraine.

Jessica told students about her favourite aspects of being a journalist, types of journalists, the people she had interviewed and why media literacy is so crucial in an age where disinformation can so easily replace true information. They discussed books and skills needed to become a journalist. We are looking forward to welcoming Ms Abrahams at Heritage one day!



Our next “Founders’ Lecture Series” guest speaker will be Paula Erizanu – a published author from Moldova, but also a freelance journalist writing for “The Guardian”, “BBC World Service” and “CNN”!

We are looking forward to meeting her online within the 9th session!



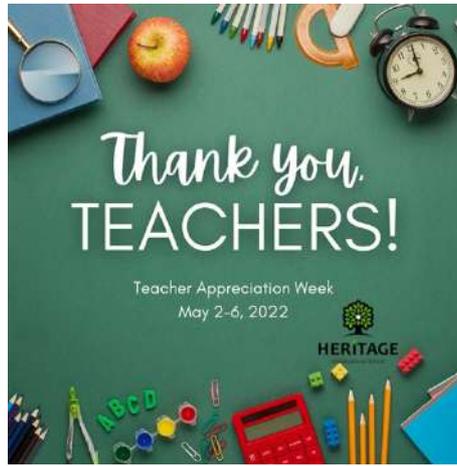
This week the world marks Teacher Appreciation Week. The members of the Student Council planned some activities in order to show gratitude to their teachers.

First, they made a video to thank them:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ab9Q5_T7kct8pROAj4XHE-k6b2RAnLL8/view?usp=drivesdk

Then, they went outside in the quad and wrote a nice message for teachers:





As the eTwinning Day approaches on May 9, Heritage students are part of the European campaign. In line with the eTwinning annual theme and the spirit of the New European Bauhaus initiative, the eTwinning Day 2022 activities will encourage teachers and students to re-think the way they teach, learn, and 'live' together at school. eTwinners and their pupils can reflect together on the aspects of their schools they like the most. In addition, they can think of the elements they would like to change or add to create an enriching learning space which is in harmony with the environment and encourages inclusion and togetherness.

Teachers are invited to foster their students' creativity by asking them to draw, take pictures, create mock-ups, design posters about their dream schools. All students of any age can participate: young pupils can draw or make a collage, older students can use online tools to create posters or digital mock-ups.

Our Heritage students started joining the movement by making drawings and posting them around the school, to share their vision of the school of the future.

Check drawing of students in grade 3A. Which one is your favourite? Which school reflects your idea of the school of the future?



- Owlypia **Local Virtual Rounds in Moldova** will be held on **21-22 May 2022**.
 - The registration fee for your country is **20 GBP** with a discount code. (MOL41)
- Registrations are made individually by each student (parent) on the official website: www.owlypia.org



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#INTELLECTUALS CHALLENGE

Local Virtual Round

MOLDOVA ROUND
• 21-22 MAY 2022

OWLINS (9-11) | OWLETS (12-14) | OWLYS (15-18)

With the theme of the year:
INNOVATION:
What's next? ➤

- ✓ Register through Owlypia website
- ✓ Choose your own favourite subject
- ✓ Form a team of 3 with your peers
- ✓ Study the resources together with your team

Take the challenges during the competition

- Knowledge Challenge
- Speech-Craft Challenge
- Impromptu Challenge
- Team Spirit Challenge

Qualify for Owlypia Global Rounds

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“Connect with the world through Owlypia Local Rounds”
Form your team and register!

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Heritage Creativity:

The playful and traveling snail slowly set off for the world of colors, and reached class 1 E, here it found the most beautiful colors and creative children.

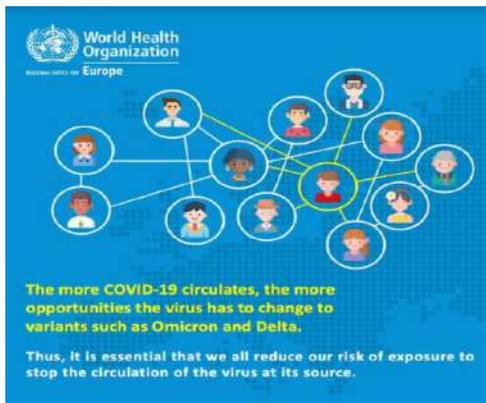




Studying symmetry during art lesson, which would be the most perfect example of symmetry than a . Class 2 E know best what symmetry is and how to paint a symmetrical butterfly in the monotype technique. We filled the class with the most special ones ! Choose the one you like :)



COVID-19 measures:



Below are presented legal requirements in conditions of epidemiological safety for the prevention of the disease with the virus SARS-CoV-2:

· Instructions regarding the measures for organizing the activity of the primary, gymnasium, high school educational institutions for the 2021-2022 academic year, in conditions of epidemiological safety for the prevention of the disease with the virus SARS-CoV-2, approved by Decision Nr. 266 from 15.04.2022 <http://www.mec.gov.md/ro/content/noi-reglementari-pentru-institutiile-de-invatamant-contextul-anularii-starii-de-urgenta>

Due to Covid restrictions this academic year our school follows the rules according to the "A safe return to physical school strategy and matrix 2021-2022": <https://www.heritage.md/en/school/coronavirus-updates>

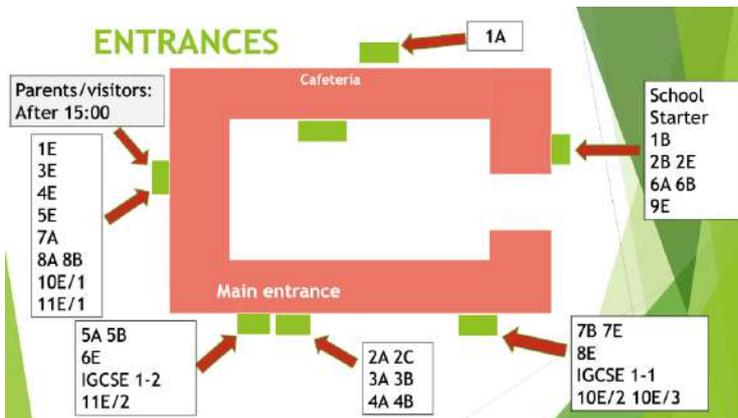
IMPORTANT UPDATE: according to the Decision of the Extraordinary Public Health Commission of Chisinau from 03.02.2022, in case of a class quarantine for 10 days, the return to classes with a physical presence can be resumed after the 5th day from the date of confirmation of the positive case for those pupils who present a negative test result for the

SARS-CoV-2 virus, performed in the last 24 hours. Negatively tested pupils may end the quarantine period after 5 days if in this period no symptoms of COVID-19 have been reported. For pupils who end the quarantine period after 5 days based on a negative test, daily monitoring of symptoms is mandatory until the 10th day. Vaccinated students or the students who have had COVID within the last 90 days should not quarantine.

If your child has any symptoms of acute viral respiratory disease, including temperature higher than 37.0°C, parents should not send the child to school and ask for a medical assistance.

For children who have been tested positive with Covid-19 and in case of any disease, for return to school it is mandatory to present the medical certificate with the 3 stamps, as a confirmation that the child can attend groups of children.

Distribution of the entrances for each grade is presented below



Uniform:

We remind you that wearing uniform is mandatory for all the students grade 1-10. Following the link below, you can find the [School Uniform Presentation](#)

Lyceum students' dress code will be black white smart casual to 'office wear'.



and

School Exit Pass:

We have a new exit format for leaving the school premises before 4 o'clock provide even more security for your child. Children will be allowed to leave school only if your permission is confirmed by phone or text message/email to the homeroom teacher or directly to the reception. At the moment children receive a temporary Exit Pass that allows them to leave school. In order to have better functioning it is very important to use a permanent Exit Pass. In this case we ask parents to complete the attached form with the time they allow our students to leave the school, and present it to the homeroom teacher or leave it at the reception.

Thank you very much for your involvement. The safety of your children is our priority

Temporary Exit Pass

Permanent Exit Pass



EXIT PASS				
PHOTO		Name, Surname		
Grade				
M / L	T / M	W / M	T / J	F / V
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14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00	14:00
15:00	15:00	15:00	15:00	15:00
16:00	16:00	16:00	16:00	16:00

Meaningful May 2022

SUNDAY

1 Do something kind for someone you really care about

MONDAY

2 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do

TUESDAY

3 Take a step towards an important goal, however small

WEDNESDAY

4 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together

THURSDAY

5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why

FRIDAY

6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful

SATURDAY

7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why

8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today

9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today

10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder

12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you

13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture

14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature

15 Do something to contribute to your local community

16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful

18 Send a hand-written note to someone you care about

19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful

20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable

21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about

23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of

24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today

25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why

26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful

27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others

28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight

29 Today do something to care for the natural world

30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost

31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future



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UPCOMING EVENTS

9 May 2022

10 May 2022

13 May 2022

15 May 2022

18 May 2022

20 May, 2022

20-21 May 2022

20th May 2022

23-27 May 2022

Moldova for Peace, Europe Day & Victory Day. Public Holiday

US Ambassador's "Town Hall" Event (Heritage being represented)

Sports Day

Family Day

Founders' Lecture #9 Paula Erizanu

Primary Graduation

Owlypia Intellectual Challenge Moldova Round

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International Week

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