



Happy Holidays!

Dear Parents,

Unbelievable, today marks the end the first term. Thank you for attending portfolio check morning. We hope you enjoyed seeing the progress your child has made since September. We are quite proud of the progress the children have made.

If you are reading this before attending our winter holiday celebration, SPOILER ALERT. However, if you have just returned home from the celebration and are diligently reading this newsletter, let me know if my prediction was accurate.

The children really enjoyed learning the new songs we added to our repertoire this year, and they sang like angels. The cookies were delicious (thanks to Ruslana's wonderful baking skills), the hot chocolate was yummy and warm, and we all had a wonderful time!

This newsletter contains:

- *Important Dates*
- *Manner's contest winners*
- *Acts of Kindness*
- *Classroom representative meeting results*
- *IQ Landia*
- *Ice Skating*
- *Gym/Swim*
- *classroom newsletters*

Thank you for all your support this first term, and your thoughtful gifts. We wish you and your family happy holidays and safe travels. We look forward to seeing everyone happy and healthy in 2020!

Lana and all our Panda and Central Point staff

December 19th - January 5th - Christmas break

January 1st - Welcome 2020!

January 6th - Classes resume

January 24th - Meet and Greet Party 7pm

January 27th - 31st - Good Deed Week

January 31st - Assessment reports delivered





Well Done 3rd Grade!

In case you haven't heard, the 3rd grade class won the manners contest with a total of 57 points! As a reward, we went to a nearby cafe and enjoyed a delicious cup of hot cocoa.

Each class had the opportunity to earn eight manners points per day for 15 school days. To earn a point, the class had to demonstrate good manners such as cooperating, speaking with a polite tone, having a positive attitude, and helping others, etc. All the classes made a good effort, and we hope they will continue to practice good manners although the contest has ended. Well done 3rd Grade!



An act of kindness!

Last Friday, Grades 1-5 went to the senior home to spread holiday cheer. The children performed so well and brought so much joy, the seniors booked them for next year!

Today, Grades 3-5 went to Motol hospital to sing to the sick children. The families were grateful for the performance and the gifts. The children were able to choose whatever gift they wanted and they were very happy. **Thanks to your support, we had so many wonderful gifts to offer today.** The joy we brought to a small part of their day was visible in their smiles. It was quite meaningful to our children as well.



Classroom Representative Meeting

This afternoon I had lunch with our G1-G5 classroom representatives to discuss what the students like about our school, and the things we can change or improve. The children said they are having difficulty finding things they want to change and improve. That is exactly the place we have been heading. It is nice to know we are getting there!

They love our new lunch voting system, teachers, recess, the signs to keep the secret garden a quiet zone, Thanksgiving, singing at the senior home and Motol, and snacks.

They would like to have more comic books and books in a series, a larger lost and found box, more sweet snacks, healthier snacks, more plants in the classroom, coloring day, and another manners contest.

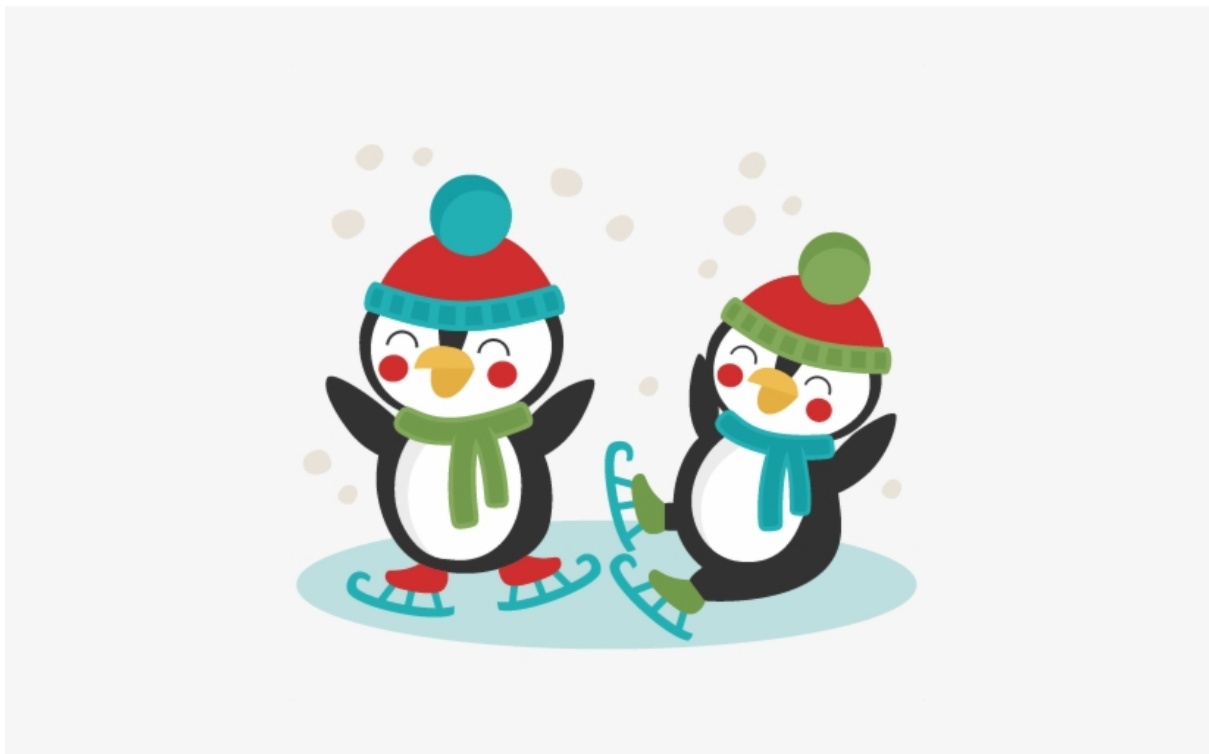
A new election will take place in 2020. Who will become the new classroom representative? Wait and see!



January 8th

When we return from our enjoyable and festive holiday break, G1-G5 will go to IQ Landia on January 8th. We will leave promptly at 8:30am, and return by 3:30pm. Upon arrival the morning of the 8th, wait in the garden and do not enter the school so we can leave promptly

Children should bring a packed lunch, two sacks and water bottle with water or unsweetened tea.



Ice Skating G1-G5

Ice skating will replace gym for grades 1-5 from January 15th - February 12th. Give the permission slip and 500 czk fee to your child's teacher or the school office by January 13th.

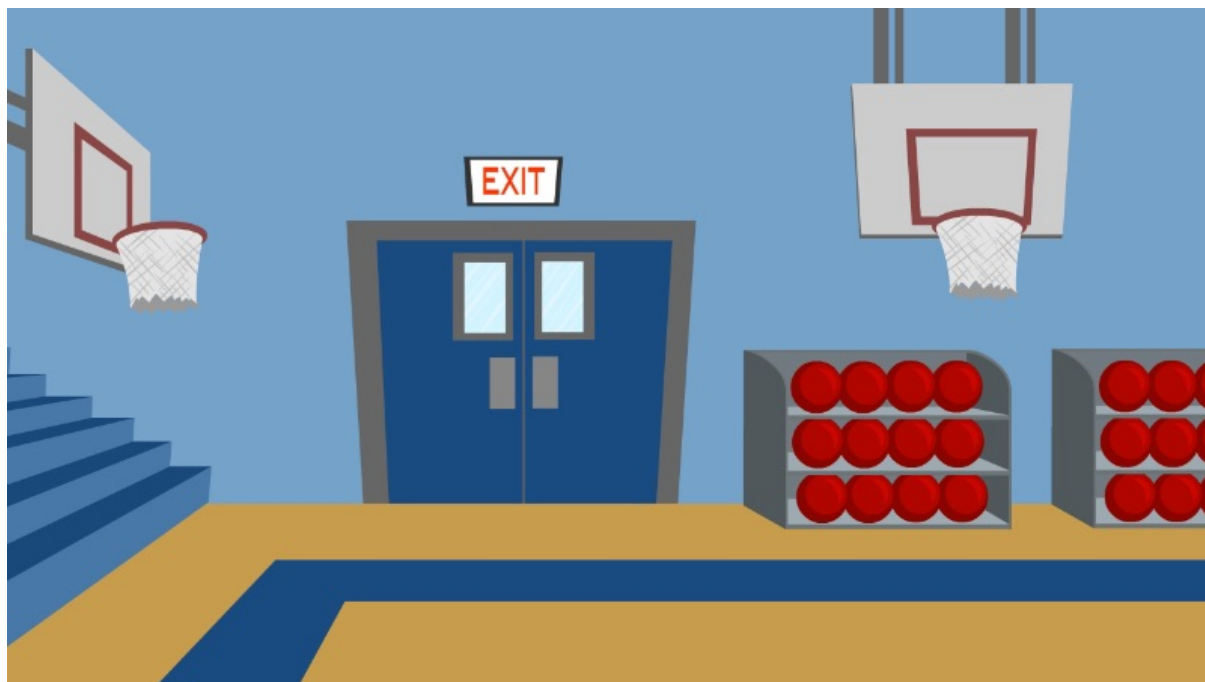
Children must wear a helmet, ski pants, ski gloves, and ski gloves. Children can use their own skates or borrow skates at the ice rink. We will divide the children into groups according to skill level. Children

may move to a higher skill level if the teacher believes a child has improved enough to join the next level.

Gym only!

Starting January 8th, Panda and CPK will attend gym at Vinohrady Sokol. Swimming will resume in spring from March 25th - June 10th. Grades 1-5 will also swim March 25th - June 10th.

Required gym attire includes comfortable gym clothes, water bottle, and gym shoes. No black bottom gym shoes allowed as they mark up the gym floor.



Making login easier!

*Parents can now enter the parent portal faster and easier! Simply click the ParentPortal icon and enter our school password, **LearningTime**. Please do not share this password with people outside our school community since we post photos of the children in our photo gallery. We will add more photos soon!*

Stayed informed!

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