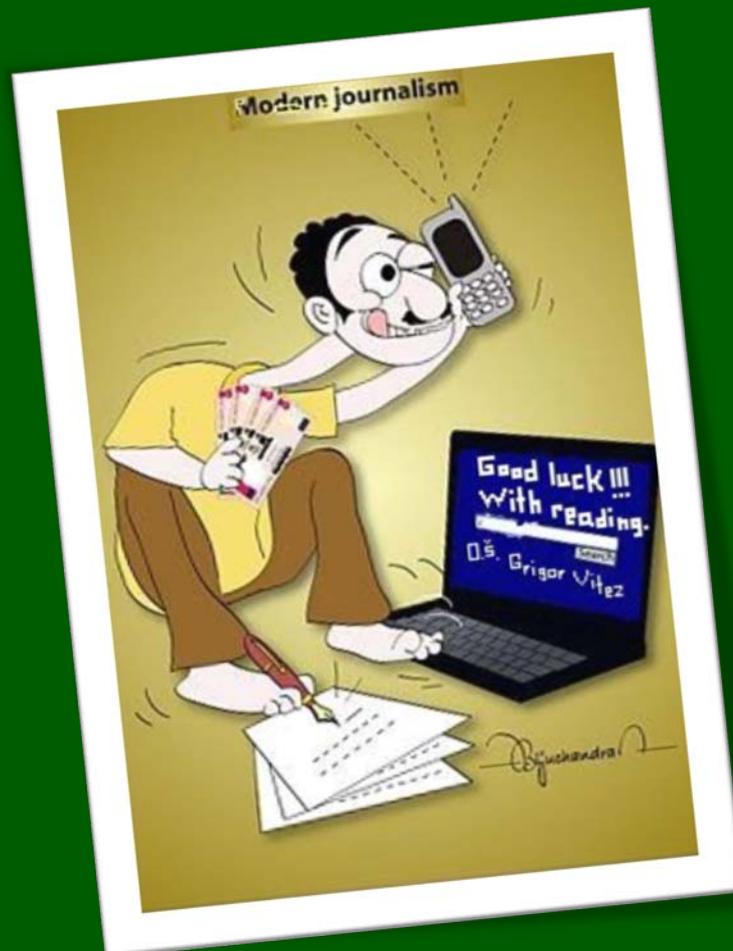


Mighty Knights

New age journalists!!!



We are modern journalists - we gather news about school events, sports, films, music, fashion and so on. We write about travels (on Earth and even beyond). We talk to aliens, we talk to God. Simply, we are a new generation.

We can say only one thing: **READ IT!**

MY SCHOOL



Hi, I'm Ines Križanac. I go to Grigor Vitez School and I'm in the 5th grade. I'm 10 years old and I live in Zagreb. But today we won't speak about me, we will speak about my school. In my school there are a lot of teachers. In the school, we write, read, talk, play and do some other things. We have many classrooms in our school. In the classroom no. 27 we have Music. I like Music because there we play the piano, talk about some instruments ... In the classroom no. 28 we have Croatian. I like Croatian classes. There we talk, write and solve riddles. We have many other classes in my school but I can't talk about all of them because there are many. Many pupils in my school are good and some are bad. The most important rules in my school are: don't fight, don't swear and don't interrupt others when they speak. In our library we have a lot of books. I read books. Now I am reading *Koko in Paris*. It's an interesting book. I love my class, I love reading books and I love my school.



Ines Križanac, 5.a



Cenacolo

The pupils from our school visited Cenacolo. Cenacolo is home for many people who had rough past. Some of them were on drugs, pills, had problems with alcohol or were abused. They showed us where they sleep, eat and what they do for living. They don't have TV or washing machine. They live a country life; they have cats, chickens and cows. Twenty people live in Cenacolo, and there are even couples. They don't go out to the supermarket, buy stuff or talk to people. They make their own food and sell it. These people are fighters because they stopped taking drugs and because they can speak openly about their past. We should not blame them; we should understand them and help them to move on with their lives!

Iva Puljiz, 7.b



VUKOVAR...

the city of heroes

We visited Vukovar in November (2011). Vukovar is a city in eastern Croatia, and the biggest river port in Croatia located at the confluence of the Vuka river and the Danube.

The name Vukovar means "the town on the river Vuka". Vukovar was heavily damaged during the Croatian War of Independence. When we arrived to Vukovar, we went to the hospital. When we entered the hospital, we watched a documentary film about Vukovar. In the film there were real videos from the war. We saw a lot of sick and poor people whose homes were destroyed. When we saw the film, we went to the basement of the hospital. Everything in that basement was exactly the same as it was during the war. The only thing that was different was that they put dolls instead of humans. While we walked through the hospital basement, we heard the voice of Siniša Glavašević. Siniša Glavašević was a Croatian reporter who was killed in the battle of Vukovar. It was later discovered that he was executed by Serbian paramilitary forces along with hundreds of others in the Vukovar massacre. Everything we learned and saw in the hospital was so sad and shocking that some girls even started crying. After we saw the hospital, we went to Ovčara. That is a place where a horrible war crime happened. In that room we could see faces of people who were killed in that place. After that we went to the cemetery. There were still many damaged buildings, even downtown. We had a tour guide who led us through Vukovar and told us about it. It was a very interesting trip because we saw many things and learned a lot about Vukovar.

Anamarija Smolić, 7.b

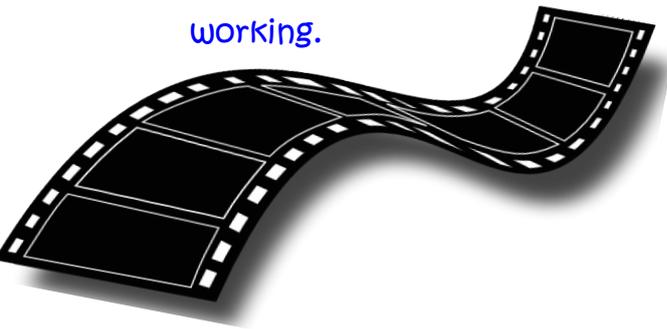




Creative Friday



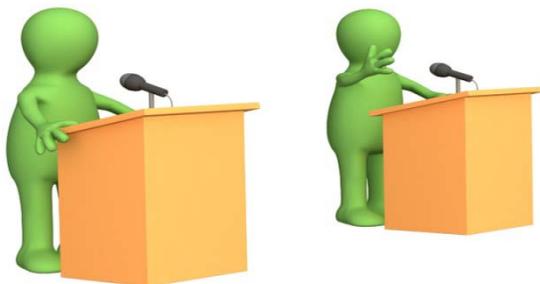
On creative Friday every pupil had to choose one workshop. The pupils were supposed to work. Every workshop had many interesting things. Pupils were diligent and cooperative. The film group went from one workshop to another and recorded all activities. All the workshops were useful. Final products were great. Creative Friday was a very good day for pupils and teachers. The film will be finished by 15 December. We were so happy to see so many pupils working.



Dominik Dobrilovic, 7.a

Debate group

On Friday (18th of November), in our school we had a creative day. Basically that's a day when no classes are held, but you still have to show up at school. In each classroom there was a group. There were history group, arts group, film group, journalism, debate group, etc. I was in the debate group. That group was led by English teacher M. Kuran and Croatian teacher L. Brezak.



For any of you that might not know what a debate is, here is the explanation. Basically, there is a bunch of people that split up in two groups. One group agrees with the topic and the other one doesn't. Each group has to find the arguments why their beliefs are right. The group with better arguments wins.

In our debate group we mostly discussed about our lives, school and stuff like that. It was very interesting. It was girls vs. boys. Guess who won! But it's not about who wins or loses. It's about defending your beliefs. Next time we have a creative day like that, I hope more people will join us. Seriously, join us, it's fun.

Jana Gašparić, 7. b





Koko and the Ghosts

Our school organized a visit to the cinema. The whole school went to see the film *Koko and the Ghosts*. We all knew that the film wouldn't be that great, but we wanted to go and have fun! When we came to the cinema, we bought the all necessary things (popcorns, drinks...), went into the cinema hall, and the film started.

In the film a 13-year-old boy Koko moved from a small village to the biggest city in Croatia, Zagreb. He met Zlatko, the boy who has passion for crime books and ghost stories. One night Koko heard some strange voices & suddenly he saw some man's face. After a few seconds the man disappeared & Koko was shocked. He told his friend Zlatko what happened. Zlatko said that before his family moved in the house, some rich man named Vincek lived there. He was murdered & his money disappeared. After many days of searching, they found some evidence which made them think the man wasn't murdered. While they were investigating all this, Koko's sister got kidnapped. Men who kidnapped Marica were also looking for the money that Vincek left after his death. Boys & police made a trap for them & arrested them. Koko and his friends were heroes.

Jana Gašparić & Iva Puljiz, 7.b



Novi Vinodolski

Two weeks ago the First aid group spent three days in Novi Vinodolski with our Chemistry teacher. I was part of the group. There I learned how to save somebody's life and a lot of other useful things. If you think that we were just learning and practicing, you are wrong. We had a great time there, and the weather was much nicer than in Zagreb .While you



were freezing, we were eating ice-cream and walking in T-shirts. There were a lot of other schools. All of us were sad when we had to come back to Zagreb. Some of us even wanted to hide under beds and stay there. I hoped we could come there in the 8th grade, but we can't.

I think we are all going to remember the days from the 18th to 20th November.

Probably forever!

Antonija Klobučar, 7.a



FICTION

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ALIENS ARE HERE

In the past people always said that some of them saw aliens, but nobody believed them. In the 52nd century people had TV and radio on their T-shirts. Space was the only thing they didn't know anything about (because everybody was afraid of aliens). Finally one day Ben, the boy who would change the world, was born. When he was 10 years old he heard about space. Then, he wanted to become a shuttlenaut and meet aliens. When he said that to his mother, she answered that he was absolutely crazy. But, he didn't listen to her. He wanted to be a shuttlenaut and that's it! And really, when he was 21 he became a shuttlenaut. Two years later he sat in a rocket with one more shuttlenaut, James. They went into space. They fell on a planet called X. Nobody was there. But only two seconds after thousands of aliens were around them. They came out of nowhere. They had big guns. They asked: "What do you want?" Ben said: "We come in peace."

But aliens didn't believe them so they put them in prison. One of the aliens was 12 years old and he thought that people were fun. So, when he heard about their destiny, he decided to set them free. And really, the next day in the middle of the night, he let them go. Since he set them free, Ben and James said to him: "You can come back to the Earth with us, if you want." He only said: "Yes." So Ben, James and one little alien went back to the Earth. But, when other aliens saw that Ben and James were free and had a little alien, they took their guns and went to the Earth. Nobody on the Earth knew that they could be destroyed. When aliens came, they just said: "Kill everyone who is alive, and find the little alien!" Aliens started shooting at people. Ben, James and their alien friend were in a safe place. The alien said: "Oh, no! All of this is happening because of me!" Ben and James tried to calm him down. But when they went away some aliens saw them and caught them. When Ben and James woke up, they saw what happened. All the people were hurt badly or dead. Aliens weren't there. Their little alien friend ran to them and yelled: "Here, here! They are still alive!" And really, there were people alive. Ben and James asked: "What happened?" The alien said: "When you got caught and fell down because of shooting, I convinced the other aliens that I went with you because I wanted to come to the Earth. They were angry and wanted to kill all the people on the Earth, but I asked them not to do that. So, that is what happened." Ben and James just said: "You are our SAVIOUR!" After that people and aliens became best friends!

The lesson of life

I fell asleep to talk to the great one, God. So, you wanna talk to me, asked God. If you have time for me mortal, I said. God smiled and said, my time is eternity, so what do you want to ask me?

- What surprises you most about humans?

- They rush to grow up, and when they grow up they want to be kids again. They lose their health to make money, and then spend money to restore health! They live like they aren't gonna die some day. And die like they never lived!

Silence filled the room, then God killed the silence and said, you people don't help each other.

- What???, I replied.

- He said, you should be there for your friends when "the rain starts to fall" and when it hasn't been their day, month or even a year. People should learn that they can hurt a man (friend) in a second. They should learn that a true best friend is the one who knows everything about you and still likes you and helps you. To learn that it is not always enough to be forgiven by the others. They should also forgive themselves.

Stjepan Gašparić, 5.a



My trip to Tuscany

During All Saints holidays me and my family went on a trip to Tuscany. We visited Florence, Sienna, Pisa and San Gimignano.

Florence

Florence is a city situated in the heart of Tuscany. It's one of the most important cities in the history of Italy and also the capital of Tuscany. Florence is the cradle of Italian Renaissance. We visited a lot of religious monuments such as the church Santa Maria Novella in which we saw Trinity –a famous fresco. We also visited the cathedral called Cattedrale di Santa Maria del Fiore. It is one of the nicest Renaissance buildings in Florence. The most popular museum in Florence is the Uffizi museum which abounds with famous Renaissance paintings among which The Birth of Venus by Botticelli stands out. We visited two palaces: Palazzo Pitti (also a gallery) and Palazzo Vecchio in front of which stands David, the statue made by Michelangelo. Since Florence lies on



the river Arno, we saw a lot of bridges, but the special one is Ponte Vecchio because they built a lot of shops on it. Here is a little advice for gourmands: you have to try their famous Florentine steak.



Sienna

Sienna is a city situated not far from Florence and in the past Florence and Siena were biggest enemies. In the centre of Siena is the square Piazza del Campo that has an interesting shell shape. There we saw the city hall (Palazzo Pubblico) and the famous tower “Torre del Mangia” which is 102 meters high. Piazza del Campo is famous for the horse race Palio that takes place in the square. In Siena we also were in their cathedral (Duomo di Siena). This cathedral should've been the biggest cathedral in

Europe, but plague came while they were building it and killed half of the people in Sienna, so it was never finished.





Pisa

It's a city that lies on the river Arno. Pisa is famous for its cultural heritage. The most important building is the Leaning Tower, one of the Seven Wonders of the World. You can climb on the top of it but we didn't because a lot of people were waiting in the line. In the same square we saw the Cathedral and the Baptistery.

San gimignano

San Gimignano is a little town surrounded by walls. It's famous for its architecture, especially its towers that can be seen from several kilometres outside the town. It's a nice town to take a walk through with your family or to buy Tuscany's products like wine, olive oil, cheese... We also ate ice-cream in a pastry that won the award for the world's best ice-cream.



EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATIONS



In the qualifications for European championship Croatia played in group F with Greece, Israel, Georgia, Latvia and Malta. At the end of qualifications they were second, behind Greece. They needed to go in two play-off matches against Turkey. Croatian public didn't believe that Croatia can beat Turkey, especially after Greece beat us in our last game in Athens 2 - 0, and they thought that the national team will stay at home in the summer of 2012. Croatia coach Slaven Bilić believed that his players can beat Turkey and qualify for the Championship in Poland and Ukraine. Everybody was talking about our last match with Turkey three years ago in the quarter-finals of the last European Championship in Switzerland and Austria when we lost after penalty shootout. It was time for revenge. The first match took place in one of the major Turkish cities, Istanbul. At the very beginning of the match Croatia scored! Vedran Ćorluka threw the ball into the penalty area and there was Ivica Olić who scored into the empty net of the Turkish goalkeeper. After 30 minutes the score was 0 - 2. Darijo Srna passed the ball to Mandžukić and he scored. After that, there weren't any chances until the fiftieth minute. Free kick for Croatia. Srna passed the ball to Ćorluka and he scored from 5 metres. And that was it.

The next day every Croatian newspaper wrote about the big win last night. Bilić and his players were heroes! The second match was in Zagreb, and Croatia needed another win to get easier opponents in the Championship. People were saying that we were going to the Championship, but Bilić didn't think that way. He said that there were another 90 minutes to play, and after that we can talk about the Championship. On the day of the match the stadium was full. Only four minutes after the match started there was a fantastic chance for Turkey, but Stipe Pletikosa made an excellent save. At half time the score was 0 - 0. Both teams had a few chances. In the second half there was one chance for Ivan Rakitić, but the Turkish goalkeeper showed that it was a very good night for him. Until the end there weren't any special chances, and after the referee blew his whistle for the last time, the happiness could start. Croatia made it through to the European Championship! In the newspapers the next day there were many combinations of the draw: the easiest group, the hardest group... Turkish coach got fired, and Slaven Bilić was the nation's hero. After a failure in the last qualifications for the World Cup, Croatia will go to a big competition again.



KHL MEDVEŠČAK

In the last two months Medveščak made a sensation. They won last 12 out of 13 matches. They beat Jesenice, Vienna and Olimpija two times, and Znojmo, Red Bull, KAC Klagenfurt, Linz, Alba Volan, VSV Villach and Graz one time. The best player is Medveščak's goalie Robert Kristan. He is the best goalkeeper in the whole EBEL (Erste Bank Eishockey League) league. He saved many important shots. But he isn't alone, many other players did lots of great things, scored important goals... As in every other team, Medveščak also has players that can fight against their opponents if they provoke them. They are Tom Zanoški and Pascal Morency. Of course, every player fights now and then.



Medveščak's top scorer is Ryan Kinasevich with 14 goals. After him there is Frank Banham with 10 goals. Their head coach, Marty Raymond from the USA, is also worthy of this success. It is well-known that Medveščak's supporters are the best in the whole EBEL, Europe and one of the best in the world! Now Medveščak is third in the EBEL. In their last game, they beat the current leader Linz at home 5 - 4

after penalty shootout. This win is very valuable because after the first 20 minutes the score was 0 - 3 for Linz. But in the second period of the game Medveščak scored 3 goals in 6 minutes and equalized the score. In the last period Dario Kostović scored for 4 - 3 but two minutes later Linz scored their fourth goal. In the overtime there were no goals and the winner needed to be decided after penalty shootout. Two out of three Medveščak's players scored and Kristan saved two penalties from Linz



players and the celebration could start! Their next game is in Klagenfurt on Friday against KAC. After that they play against Vienna Capitals in Zagreb.

Tino Vela, 7.a





Celebrity News

Selena Gomez & Justin Bieber

Selena, a famous singer, has been in love with Justin Bieber for almost a year. The medias are trying to broke the up, but the famous couple said that's not true. Selena has a new single "Hit the Lights", and Justin has a new album "Under the Mistletoe".



Justin & Selena on AMA's



Justin & Selena preforming on EMA's

Pink has a baby!

The party-girl-punk-rebel is now a party-girl-punk-rebel-mum. Pink gave birth to a daughter and named her Willow Sage Hart. She announced her great new on twitter. She wrote: "We are ecstatic to welcome our new beautiful healthy happy baby girl, Willow Sage Hart. She is gorgeous, just like her daddy."

We can't wait to see the future and Willow Sage's first album/ clothing range or motocross win.



Pink is proudly showing the paparazzies her new baby girl.

Jokes

We have Barack Obama, Stevie Wonder, Bob Hope and Johnny Cash.

An Italian:
We have Silvio Berlusconi, no wonder, no hope, no cash.

Teacher: Can you tell me something important that didn't exist 100 years ago?
Pupil: Me!

Teacher: You seem very read, have you read Shakespeare?
Pupil: No.

Teacher: What have you read then?
Pupil: Umm, I've got red hair!

Q: What's the difference between teacher and a train?
A: The teacher says: "Get that gum out of your mouth.", where as the train says: "Chew, chew."

Teacher: Now class, whatever I ask, I want you to all answer at once. How much is 6 plus 4?
Class: At once!

I know a guy who called up the Home Shopping Network. They said: "Can I help you?" and he said: "No, I'm just looking."

Q: Which is the laziest mountain?
A: Ever-rest.

An invisible man and an invisible woman got married. You won't be surprised to hear that the kids were nothing to look at either.

I went to the dentist last week and said: "What can I do with these yellow teeth of mine." The dentist replied: "A brown tie might go well."

My cousin went into our local video rental shop and asked: "I want to take out Batman Forever." The female assistant replied: "Sorry, you have to return it by Wednesday."

The weather has not been too bad this week – it only rained twice. 1st time for 3 days and 2nd time for 4 days.

I read in the newspaper that 98% of all accidents occur within 5 mile radius of the home – so I moved to a new house 8 miles away.

Tim: You know Jim; foolish people believe everything without doubt.
Jim: Do you have any doubt about it?
Tim: Nope.



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