



THE INTERNATIONAL HERITAGE HERALD

April 30, 2021







Thought for the week: "And all the World is glad with May"

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

We are all definitely glad May starts on Saturday and we enter the final stretch of our extraordinary academic year. We all need the rest and break next week, ready to finish the year on a high when we return for the last three weeks on Tuesday 11th May. We will be holding our Sports Day, International Week, Founders' Day and our closing events for the academic year. We have all been watching the developments in the wider society and it is still unbelievable that a favourable decision was not taken this week to allow all students in secondary to return to physical school. We expect and are planning for our grades 6, 7 and 8 to be with us in physical school from Tuesday 11th May. The WHO and UNICEF



have stated throughout this pandemic, schools should close last and return first. We support all efforts to stop the pandemic disrupting our daily lives and to prevent lives from being taking daily. We know from our colleagues in India the scale of the pandemic out of control hitting their country right now. But it gets harder to understand decisions not based on science in the situation we now face when we see virtually every area of society now reopened. I hope that the planning for September and the new academic year follows the wise strategy of the summer of 2020 and allows schools a degree of autonomy to plan for their communities especially coupled with the vaccination programme being rolled out in Moldova. An initiative we can all be proud of for the country.

We had more moments of normality this week as we are planning for our exciting physical summer school 2021 launch and details will follow soon. We have been celebrating and preparing for Orthodox Easter and on Friday we had a huge Easter Egg hunt for all students in Pre-School and the Primary classes. My thanks to Mrs. Elize, colleagues and the student council for organising this great fun event to close the week before the break. I am hoping we haven't forgotten too much how to smile, have fun and enjoy the moments even in the pandemic. A wonderful assembly for Gymnasium from 7E on "World Food" and it linked in nicely to our International Food Friday as we celebrated the wonderful cuisine from Italy. I am sure Heritage pizzas are good but I want people choosing us a school for something a bit more than the pizzas. The brilliant students of 1C prepared a lovely assembly to celebrate International Day of the Sun on the 3rd May and I am hoping the weather gets warmer from its current impression of an English summer day so we can all enjoy the break outside next week.

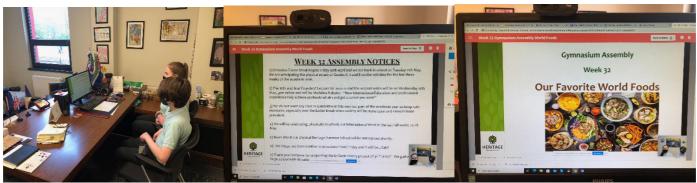
When we come back, we will finally have all the schools physically back for the first time since March and we don't want a lapse in our diligence over the break in keeping safe measures especially as there will no doubt be lots of public events with crowds in the city and elsewhere to celebrate Easter and the events of May. I don't want classes in quarantine in these final few weeks. That would be silly and futile. So we all need to continue to show our responsibility as a community and model what has kept us safe and our education continuing for more than a year now. As we plan the new timetable for 2021-22 and we have an increase in our new families joining us or going onto waiting lists for school places, please respond to the form about existing places for your children for the new academic year. We do need this asap as we plan staffing, classes etc.

As ever, thank you for your incredible support of the school and for being such an amazing school community. We can all be very proud of what we are doing here for our children and the positive difference we are making in education in Moldova and beyond.

Have a restful and enjoyable break, especially our exam classes and the best of luck to them all, we are proud of you, warm wishes!

Rob Ford Director





Heritage in the Wider World:

The April edition of the <u>Heritage Globe</u> is published! Once again, our students have provided a wonderful selection of articles, stories, and art. Please enjoy all that they are doing: https://sites.google.com/heritage.md/heritage-globe/home

Our Student Newspaper The Heritage Globe

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Articles of Interest:

- The Atlantic; the Case for Disagreeing With Yourself. Making yourself consider contrary opinions will improve your thinking; https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2021/04/case-disagreeing-yourself/618688/
- Novartis catches chill as mask wearing keeps flu at bay; https://www.reuters.com/business/novartis-q1-sales-profit-miss-analyst-expectations-amid-covid-19-impact-2021-04-27/
- Newsletter of the National Bureau of Statistics for Moldova; https://us15.campaign-archive.com/?u=0f26d797e194a231826790a97&id=288e6b19c9

- In the context of Europe Days 2021, our National Library invites you to expand and systematize your knowledge about #EUROPE by exploring the multitude of European topics and notions through: The book exhibition "Europe from A to Z" and Interactive activities: The contest "Let's create the Eurodictionary together" and Online games.

https://cpescmdlib.blogspot.com/2021/04/la-biblioteca-nationala-republicii.html

- Satellites see the pollution you can't, and can help us solve the problem; https://www.eurasia.undp.org/content/rbec/en/home/stories/satellite-pollution-data-moldova-ukraine.html
- News from Child Aid; "The Little Lighthouse is open, as well as providing rehabilitative care, they are also improving the general life situation of families. We want to provide transport for access to therapies for all in need; we are raising funds for a minibus": https://www.childaidee.org.uk/Appeal/mini-bus
- National Geographic; Life goes on at Chernobyl 35 years after the world's worst nuclear accident; https://www.nationalgeographic.com/culture/article/life-goes-on-chernobyl-35-years-after-worlds-worst-nuclear-accident
- 50 Children's Books that Teach Social-Emotional Intelligence; https://nourishingmyscholar.com/social-emotional-intelligence/
- Top 10 fiction books about museums (check that they are age appropriate if using them); https://amp.theguardian.com/books/2021/apr/28/top-10-books-about-museums



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CLOSING DATE:

06 May 2021

Notes from Ms Elize:

It is finally May and the long awaited Easter Break is finally here. The weather has not been particularly sunny but as they say April rains bring May flowers. Today however the weather was beautiful and Primary students enjoyed their Easter Egg Hunt outside.

As a visitor in Moldova, I appreciate and embrace the culture and the celebration of the traditions of my host country. As an adventurous traveling family we love to explore and learn more about new cultures in order to deepen our understanding thereof. It is not every day that one gets to experience two Christmases and two Easters!

Identity expressed through culture is a necessity for all human development. It creates the fundamental building blocks in our personality and in the ties that link us to communities and nations. Engaging children in culturally responsive educational experiences helps to increase children's awareness, appreciation, and inclusion of diverse beliefs and cultures. This exposure to cultural diversity in turn teaches children acceptance of the differences between cultures other than their own.

In our quest to raise global citizens and the leaders of tomorrow we need to expose our children to as many cultural diverse experiences as possible. It is through these experiences that they will grow into kind, socially well adapted and respectful individuals. In a world that is very much divided by different opinions and beliefs, our children can become those who heal the world.

I hope you have a wonderful Easter Break. Happy Easter to all who are celebrating!

I am looking forward to welcoming everyone back after the break for the last stretch to the end of an amazing albeit challenging academic year!



3E concluded their Global Goals Project this week with handover of the donated items to LA Via Community Centre. Ms Rachel and Ms Aliona came to the school and students helped them to load the donated items. Once again a big thank you to all Heritage communities for the generous donations! Your donation will go a long way to ensure the children and the Centre has a warm lunch and snack every day. In addition, some families have also received a care package to ensure that they can enjoy a family meal over

In addition, some families have also received a care package to ensure that they can enjoy a family meal over Easter.





Our first ever Spelling Bee kicked off last week. 3E had fun learning new words and participated although they were a bit nervous! It was a fantastic learning experience and we are looking forward to the Spelling Bee next year!





Sebastian Istrate was the winner of the Grade 3 and 4 year groups and Aidan Bexeit came in 2nd place. We are very proud of them!

Active learning engages students actively and makes them part of their learning. It helps them to connect with real world situations outside the classroom. 3E took a survey to gather information about favourite colours in the Heritage community. They used this information to create their own bar graphs.









Earth Day is every day! "We shan't save all we should like to, but we shall save a great deal more than if we had never tried." - Sir Peter Scott.





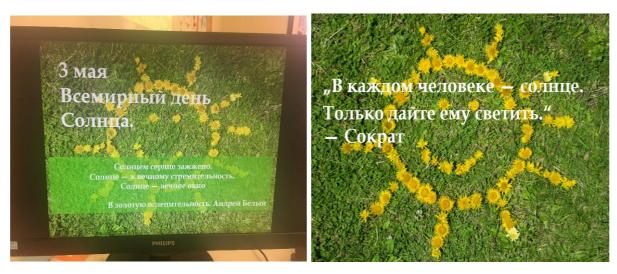


3A had a great transdisciplinary project "How to make a book"





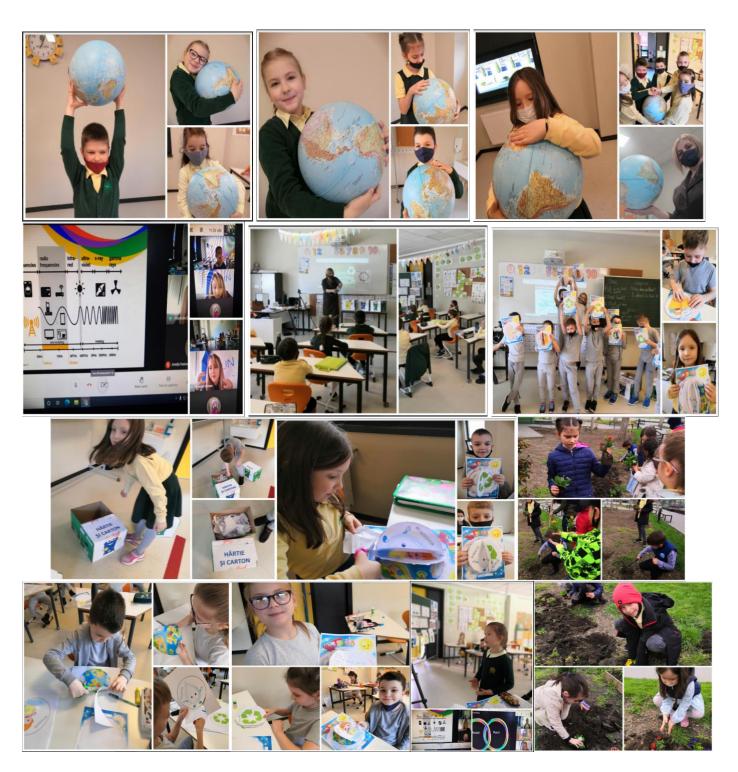
Our Primary School Assembly was done by Ms Ntatalia and 1C. The theme was International Day of the Sun







1 A students participated this week in the International Recycling Map project, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and had a meeting with Mrs. Larisa Cojușneanu, Project manager, Ericsson Telecommunications. She told us about Electromagnetic waves and the impact of technologies on the environment.



4/5E and 6E celebrated UN English Language Day by Connecting with Bombo Trinity Primary School from Uganda. Their teacher, Larisa Mirza, talked about Shakespear's birthday. Heritage students presented their favourite books, dressed up as their favourite book character. That was a great opportunity to celebrate cultural diversity on World English Language Day connected by English.





5/6E Global Perspectives-World of work

HeritageInternationalSchool had a special guest today at GlobalPerpectives H.E. Ambassador of Latvia in Moldova Uldis Mikuts! Mr. Mikuts focused on skills, knowledge and qualities students need to consider while choosing their future job. 4/5 E students prepared a set of questions to ask and recorded the responses to the questions which they will later use to produce a display on the theme of work



From an early age, we learn what national dignity means. Moldova's national Flag Day is celebrated on April 27. Honor the Tricolor!









School Starter students wishing you a Happy Easter!





Forth graders learned about Claude Monet and Impressionism and created a waterscape inspired by Monet's artwork. They also learned about greek vases and their influence on artists from the later centuries, and created their own design for a vase.



Primary art club was all about Easter this week.



Easter Joy









Easter Egg Hunt





















4/5 E made an Easter Basket out of paper bags, painted Easter Eggs and enjoyed some Easter Cake

Student Council:

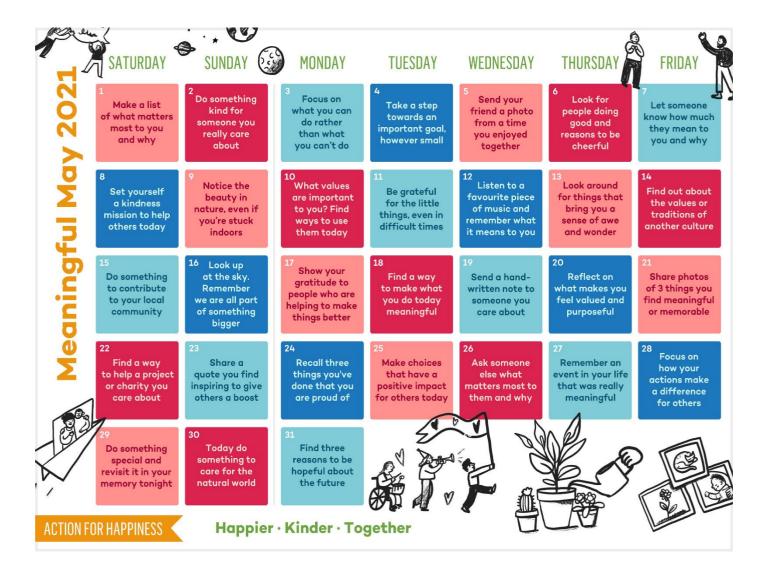
Student council wants to thank all participants of the Spelling Bee; you all did a great job! Congratulations to all of our 5 finalists, who beat out 40 other tough competitors, and competed on Thursday for the spot of Top Primary Speller. You all have made your teachers and the Heritage community as a whole very proud. After a hard-fought contest, we are pleased to present the winners:

Sebastian Istrate from 3E took home The Gold, coming in first place!! Second place was awarded to Goran Dacho of 5E, and Aidan Bexeit from 3E was our third place contestant! We are thrilled at the turnout and look forward to hosting this contest yearly.









News from Secondary

Choosing and applying for a study programme. With so many world-class higher education programmes on offer across Europe, choosing what to study and where can be difficult! Use this EU website to help look at Levels. https://ec.europa.eu/education/study-in-europe/planninguniversities inEurope after \boldsymbol{A} studies/choosing-applying_en



Heritage Lyceum learners become:















IGCSE 2 Exam Updates

Our grade 10 students are done with their final IGCSE summative tests in all subjects except for Russian, which will be conducted on the 5th of May.

We are now checking and analysing our students' results in accordance with Cambridge IGCSE mark schemes and in line with the syllabus Assessment Objectives for each subject. The next step is determining which students require re-tests. The re-test period will last from May 11 until May 25, and so parents are kindly asked to ensure their children's presence in school if needed. Once the re-tests are completed, we will finalise compiling the students' portfolios for each of the IGCSE subjects and send the results to Cambridge for final validation and grading.

It's been a very tough period for our grade 10 students as they have just completed a continuous two-week examination period and they have made us very proud of the attitude and hard work they have shown. We wish them a restful well - deserved Easter break and we look forward to seeing them back in school, radiating enthusiasm and positive energy for the last stage in the CAG process.

Uniform

We would like to remind our secondary school community about the importance of following our uniform policy on a daily basis. Students have to wear the school uniform on the school grounds. Hiding the school shirt underneath a pullover/cardigan/hoodie that isn't in any way similar to our school uniform dark green colour is unacceptable. The PE kit should include a grey plain T-Shirt and grey or black plain trousers.

6A and 6B have created 3D models of Energy Changing Forms. Although they are on DLP the learners managed to explain and we're engaged in this projects.







Arts and Creativity:

- The COBIS Art Competition is a brilliant opportunity for young artists to compete internationally and showcase their talent. This year, students were invited to produce a piece of art based on the theme 'Connections'. The competition was open to all COBIS

schools; https://www.cobis.org.uk/students/forthcoming-events-activities/art-competition-2021



JQA International Environmental Children's Drawing Contest. The theme is "OUR EARTH IN 2030". Links here:

<u>https://childrens-</u> drawing.com/drawing/image/21flyerENG.pdf

https://childrens-drawing.com/en/application.html

Global education:

Even though the National Pet Day 2021 was a couple of weeks ago, this week Start the Scottish Fold, Mrs. Tatiana's cat, visited the Heritage grounds due to a visit to his vet, and Mrs Tatiana had students queuing at her door in order to see and play with Star. Both Start and the kids enjoyed the experience, only that he felt a bit overwhelmed with too much attention and love, and much preferred his lazy hours at home. Nethertheless, it has been a great experience and the children loved seeing this kind and fluffy ball of affection at Heritage! A memorable experience!

Heritage students expressed their big wish to have a Heritage pet, be it a cat or a dog (and why not both?!).









A new collaborative project has been launched globally - Rethink Plastics Challenge, founded by the TAG founders, Koen Timmers and Jen Williams, and we are proud to have our teacher Tatiana Popa as the Country Ambassador for Moldova (again!), as well as several other teachers at Heritage participating in it - Larisa Mirza, Vasile Chiper, Inga Corlateanu and some others.

The Rethink Plastics Challenge is designed to guide students in grades K-12 (age 5-18) through a 3-week inquiry experience. Teachers and students worldwide will explore the history and production of plastics, they will determine considerations and uses and will come up with realistic solutions and plans of action.

It will be a very important project for the environment around the world, as it raises awareness and young people are the ones to take the lead and change the world!



To end in the same spirit, a new app is being designed by Estonia in order to be integrated into Google Classroom, focusing on student wellbeing in the online environment during their learning. It will help learners better plan their educational path and will make them independent learners. It will be launched soon and a Heritage teacher is part of the testing team. Further information to be announced soon!



We're taking part in the Global Youth Summit <u>#youthmobilize</u> and would like to encourage <u>#CambridgeLearners</u> and <u>#CambridgeSchools</u> to join us!

In collaboration with <u>UNICEF</u> we will be holding a session on Saturday 24th 9am BST entitled 'Global Perspectives – converting classroom learning into community action' as part of the Global Youth Summit.

Students will be able to join a live broadcast, follow along, and ask questions on social.



International Food Friday with Italian Cuisine has been a real success this Friday, as the Heritage Community enjoyed their pizza, minestrone, panna cotta and the Italian atmosphere in the canteen!











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Can/Should my child go to school today?



If one of the students is tested positive with Covid-19, the whole class will be quarantined for 14 days. **Siblings** do need to be in isolation as well.

For all the children who are in quarantine parents should fill in the epidemiological form: https://forms.gle/Qk1DBdfa4BykX8Gq9 All the information provided will be sent to the Public Health Center.

Necessary documentation for returning to school:

Before returning to school after the quarantine period, parents should present to classroom teacher the **Declaration**

https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1J0WBrE37gjfOQHJAXY3UR0DG_klSi7wc?q=owner:iute%40mail.ru

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.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

1st-10th May, 2021

15th May, 2021

17th-21st May, 2021

27th May, 2021

26th and 28st May, 2021

31st May, 2021

Easter break

Family Day

Heritage Sports Week

Founders' Day

Heritage International Day Presentations

International Day Class Team Building



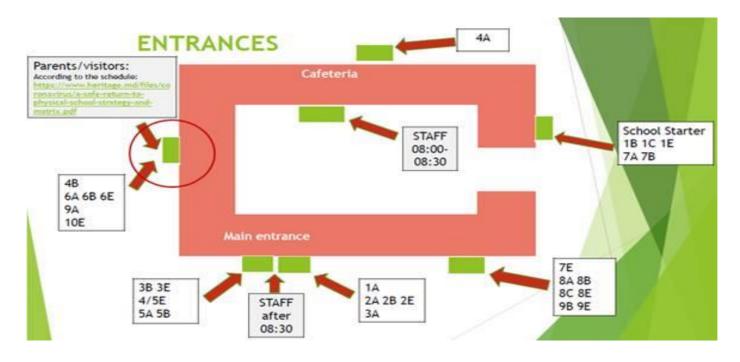












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