

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world"

Anne Frank



GENERAL

A huge thank you to all our parents this week for your time and engagement at the semester 2 parent meetings as we all work together in partnership to make Heritage International School an outstanding beacon of World Class education in Moldova for 21st century learning. One of the most powerful goals of our mission is how we holistically educate our young people and to mark the anniversary of Holocaust Memorial day on the 27th January this week, the Grade 9 students will visit the sites and centres of remembrance here in Chisinau for the Holocaust and Jewish ghetto. There is a very educational documentary made by Radio Free Europe you might want to view first and consider as part of suitable educational age appropriate material to discuss with older students at home linked directly to Chisinau and the link is here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kl_Cp_oX0rg&t=130s

-The Oak Centre is finally ready and we are very grateful to our Founders for supporting the refurbishment of the old green wooden house on the campus so we have a modern multi-purpose centre for students, staff and the wider community. This will serve as a base for the student council, a room to use for all students, an informal study centre for iGCSE and future Lyceum students, a meeting and training base for teachers from Heritage and our education networks across Moldova. We are also in discussion with the British Council to look at using the centre at weekends and in the evening for recognised Language lessons for the wider international and local community to gain qualifications in English, Romanian and Russian. We hope this will support families learn more languages as part of our priority for greater cohesion.

-Founders" Lectures coming up: Students really shouldn't be missing the incredible opportunity to listen and ask questions of our guest lectures as we develop a wider understanding of our society and the World. All are held in the school library.

8th Lecture 29th Jan 2020 - Dr Igor Pokanevych, head of WHO in Moldova;
"The impact of the work of the World Health Organisation in Moldova"

9th Lecture 12th Feb 2020 - Veronica Lupu, Chairwoman AWCS "How the legal system is used to prevent the trafficking of girls and women from Moldova"

-Heritage is working on becoming a GREEN EcoSchool -- please help us begin!
Sharing rides to and from school is socially economical. Not only will you be saving the travel costs, but you will also help reduce the costs we all pay towards the construction of new roads, road maintenance and air pollution related health costs. Having fewer cars on the road means reduced Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions and improved air quality. Do your part by SHARING A RIDE!

PRIMARY

Weekly assemblies start in primary school next week. Each Friday, from 8:30 to 8:50 grades 1 and 2 will be having their assembly, and grades 3, 4 and 5/ 6E will have theirs on Fridays at 15:15.

This week, we had Parent Meetings. If you were unable to attend for whatever reason, please reach out to your class teacher and h/she can catch you up.

Don't forget that Family Friendly Fridays continue each Friday from 8:10 to 8:30

UPCOMING EVENTS

17th-21st February, 2020 -**Literature Week**

21st February, 2020 (Friday)- **UN International Mother Language Day**

24th-28th February-**German Language Week**

2nd March, 2020 (Monday)-**Heritage Spring Fest**

3rd-4th March, 2020 (Tuesday-Wednesday), **Teacher-Parents Conferences**

5th-8th March, 2020 (Thursday-Sunday) -**Spring Break**

13th March, 2020 (Friday) -**Heritage Film Festival**

20th March, 2020 (Friday)-**International Francophonie Day**

20th March, 2020 (Friday) - **International Day of Happiness**

23rd-26th March, 2020 -**Global Money Week**

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