

CELEBRATION AT THE TURKISH EMBASSY

On the 23rd of April the Republic of Turkey celebrates the National Independence Day and the Child's Day. There are celebrations all over the country and it is a tradition for children to take over important state positions for a short time.

The Turkish Consulate in Plovdiv also opened the doors of its residence in order to welcome its young guests from the Aleko Konstantinov Primary School and other Plovdiv schools. The general consul in Plovdiv Alper Aktash was the host of the event.

The girls from the Detska Planeta Vocal Band, who are from Class 2 C and are taught by Mrs Tahchieva, greeted all people who were present with two merry sings. The Class 1 C children, whose homeroom teacher is Mrs Ruseva, lovingly and diligently made a beautiful cake out of paper as a gift for the Turkish children. Each piece of the cake contained a wish message: for friendship, merry games, endless smiles, trips and adventures.

The first grade students Celine and Iren from Class 1 B greeted the Turkish children and all guests in Turkish, while our principal Mr Angelov presented the cake and read the wishes in Bulgarian. There was a real cake and many gifts just like at any other holiday celebration.

Zdravka Petrova - pedagogical advisor

Spelling Bee 2015 Regional Competition

The Spelling Bee 2015 Regional Competition took place on the 18th of April, Saturday, at the Plovdiv Language Secondary School. The participants compete in three stages:

1. First stage /6 rounds/ - the participants spell words from the list of words they have received to use in their preparation. For the school round it contains 500 words and 200 more words are added to them.
2. Second stage /6 rounds/ - the competitors are given a Bulgarian word which they have to translate into English and then spell. These words are also from the list of known words.
3. Third stage - the competitors spell unknown words.

Our participants did great. They competed confidently and showed a will to win.

Yaroslav Dokuzov, who was competing against all others who had been placed second, reached the third stage and finished in third place.

Stefan Trendafilov, who had finished in first place in the school round of the Fifth National English Language Spelling Competition, finished in the Top 6, but was eliminated during the second stage.

We congratulate them for their efforts and their valiant performance and we wish them always to be among the winners!

Vesela Ruseva - competition coordinator

SUCCESS PROJECT

PERPERIKON

I went on a trip with my schoolmates on the 2nd of April. We visited Perperikon, the holy city of the Thracians, which is situated 15 km away from Kardzhali. It is a very beautiful place which should be visited by everyone. When we got up there, it immediately strengthened my conviction that the Thracians had been great people. We should be proud to call ourselves their descendants.

Perperikon is a grandiose centre of worship with hundreds of rooms cut into the rocks, which were made by removing thousands of tonnes. The highly fortified Acropolis is at the very top of the city and it is linked to another palace temple located right below it and also really well fortified. Many settlements had prospered around Perperikon and in the fertile valley of the Perpereshka river. The archaeological findings reveal that the Perperikon cliffs had been worshipped since the end of the 6th and the beginning of the 5th millennium BC, while the fortress and the city on the hill had existed continuously until the end of the 14th century.

I was extremely impressed by what the Thracians had built and I am thankful because we were given a chance to get in touch with the great past of our ancestors.

Tsveti Vladimirova, Class 5 B