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# "In the Paradise Garden of Europe"

Key Action 2

Strategic Partnerships for school education



Szkola Podstawowa Nr 23 im. Marii Dabrowskiej w Elblagu, Elblag-Poland

105th primary school of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki-Greece

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**Action:** Strategic Partnerships

**Field:** Strategic Partnerships for school education

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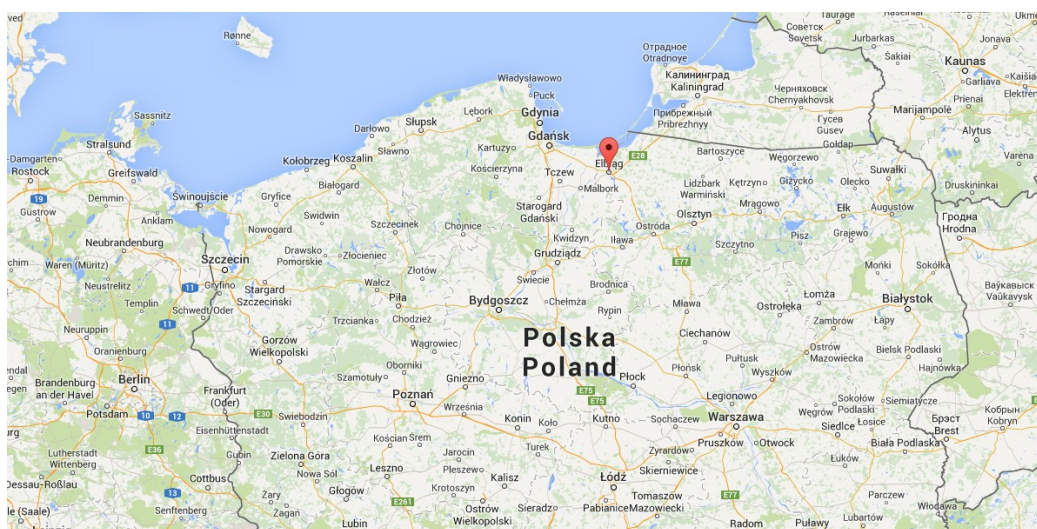
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Country	Poland
School	<p><b>Szkola Podstawowa Nr 23 im. Marii Dabrowskiej w Elblagu</b></p> <p>Established in 1965, It is located in the centre of the town near the Municipal Office.</p>   
Communication	<p>Contact information:</p> <p><b>Szkola Podstawowa Nr 23 im. Marii Dabrowskiej</b></p> <p><b>Ul.Sloneczna 14</b></p> <p><b>82-300 Elblag</b></p> <p>Tel.+48556258702</p> <p>Fax.+48556258709</p> <p>e-mail: <a href="mailto:szkolapodstawowa23@op.pl">szkolapodstawowa23@op.pl</a></p> <p>url: <a href="http://www.szkola23.republika.pl">http://www.szkola23.republika.pl</a></p>
School Year Holidays	School year starts on <b>September 1<sup>st</sup></b> and finishes in the <b>end of June</b> .

	<p>Christmas break from 22<sup>nd</sup> December – 1<sup>st</sup> January</p> <p>Winter holidays two weeks in January or February, changeable</p> <p>Easter holidays 4 days</p>		
Classes	<b>Grade 0 to Grade 6</b>		
Students	<p><b>252</b> students in <b>14</b> classes (2 in each Grade) and 6 integrated classes (one in each grade).</p> <p>From 6 years old (Grade 0) to 13 years old (Grade 6.)</p> <p>For children with SEN, disabled our school provide small groups of pupils (up to 15-20 pupils) with a supporting teacher. Students are mostly from lower middle class in relation with socio-economic status, some of them come from disadvantaged families.</p>		
Teachers	<p><b>1</b> teacher acting as a <b><i>head teacher</i></b> and <b>one as a deputy head teacher</b>.</p> <p>There are <b>41 employed teachers</b>; moreover a psychologist, a speech therapist and a school educator support our work. Almost all teachers are experienced with 10 to 25 years of service.</p>		
Infrastructure	The school has relatively contemporary facilities with 14 classrooms, a hall, a library, a computer lab, a language lab, 2 gyms and a spacious yard place.		
Curriculum	<p>It follows the national curriculum defined by the Ministry of Education.</p> <p>General education in primary school is divided into two stages:</p> <p><b>1. First stage</b> of education including grade I to III of primary school – integrated teaching (in new core curriculum defined as early school education).</p> <p><b>2. Second stage</b> of education including grades IV to VI of primary school.</p> <p>Stage 2 of the 6-year primary school covers grades 4, 5, 6. Teaching at this stage is arranged by subjects.</p>		
	Compulsory educational activities at the second stage.	hours per week in a period of 3 years.	
	Polish language	16	
	History and civics	4	
	Modern foreign languages	8	
	Mathematics	12	
	Natural science	9	
	Music	2	
	Art	2	
	Technology	2	
	ITC	2	
	Physical education	9	
	Religious education	6	

Classes and teachers participating to the project	<p>5 Classes will participate to the project “In the Paradise Garden of Europe” IIa, IIIa, IVb, Va, VIb.</p> <p>The other classes will be doing parallel activities throughout the project</p>
Teachers participating to the program	<p><b>Małgorzata Ferdyn</b> English teacher, a project coordinator, mal-fer@wp.pl</p> <p><b>Iwona Głowińska</b> Nature science teacher,</p> <p><b>Mirosława Bisaga</b> Polish teacher,</p> <p><b>Mirosława Modrzyńska</b> –NiemkowiczPolishteacher,</p> <p><b>Teresa Wójcik</b>, a day- room care teacher,</p> <p><b>Iga Brandt</b> early school education teacher,</p> <p><b>Luiza Jankowska</b> early school education teacher,</p> <p><b>Elżbieta Tyburska</b> early school education teacher,</p> <p><b>Małgorzata Zielińska</b> English teacher,</p> <p><b>Edyta Kazimierczuk</b> Nature science teacher,</p>

### Our City, **ELBLĄG**



**Elbląg**, a city situated in Warmińsko- Mazurskie Province. It has about 127 thousand citizens and is second biggest city in the province in terms of people. Elbląg is a symbol of good quality, Polish and European people associate it with Elbląg Channel and ramps, with Old Town, tourism, culture. The history of the city dates back to 1237 and in 1246 Elbląg received city rights. In our town there are some monuments and places worth visiting:

**Market Gate**- one of the most important city monuments. It was built in 14th century as a part of the city fortification system.

**Old Town**- with historical urban system, ruins of the castle, monastery and hospital complex, with Church Path characteristic for Elbląg, with complex of reconstructed tenement houses



**EL Gallery**- centre of modern art, situated in after-Dominican Saint Mary's 13th century church.

**Elbląg Channel- ramps**: One of the biggest tourist attractions of Elbląg neighborhood is Elbląg Channel (Der Oberländische Kanal – old name). This marvelous monument – which has both technical and landscape values – is also known as Ostróda-Elbląg Channel (Elbląg-Ostróda).

**Elbląg neighborhood**

**It is** a typical mixture: from one side Elbląg Highland, from the other side Vistula Marshland, depression - Raczek Elbląskie, the lowest point in Poland 1,8 m below sea level. From Elbląg within 45 minutes you can get into Vistula Spit – Baltic Sea, and within one hour to Tricity. It is also worth visiting Elbląg Upland Landscape Park that was established in 1985 and covering an area of 134,6 square km with interesting species of flora and fauna.

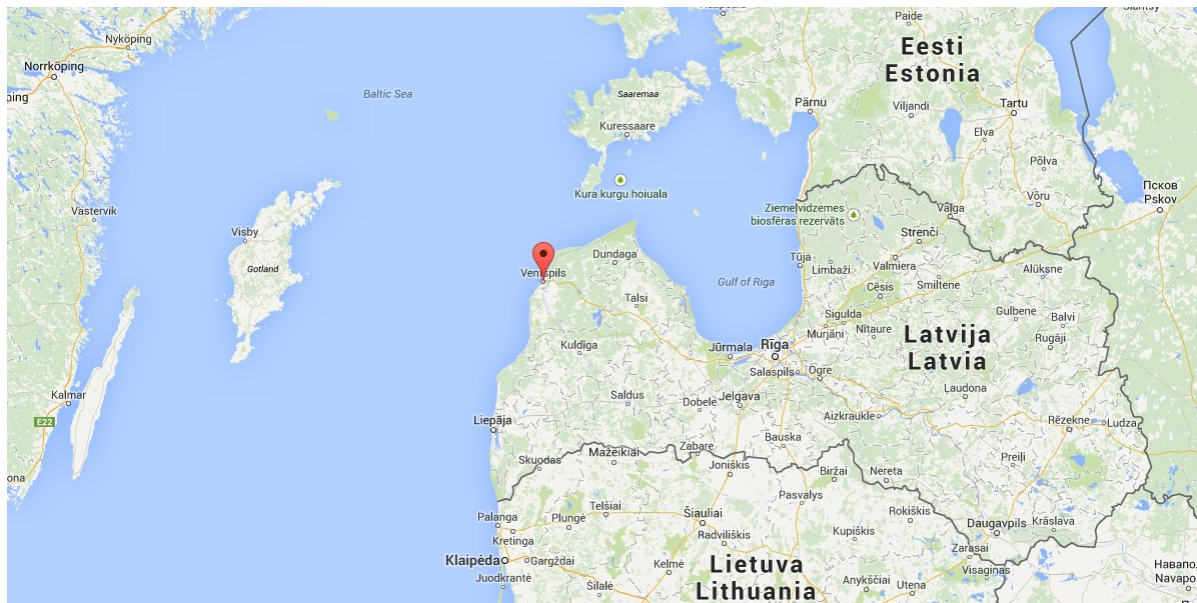


Country	<p><b>Latvija</b></p> <p><b>Latvia</b></p>
School	<p><b>Ventspils Elementary School</b></p> <p>It is a small school that was founded in 1962. It is located near the Baltic Sea. At latitude 57°23'15.7" North and longitude 21°33'01.2" East</p>  
Communication	<p>Contact information:</p> <p><b>Ventspils Elementary School No 2</b></p> <p><b>Berzu Street 54</b></p> <p><b>Ventspils</b></p> <p><b>Latvia</b></p> <p><b>LV 3601</b></p> <p>Tel. +371 63622964</p> <p>Fax. +371 63622964</p> <p>Home page <a href="http://www.v2psk.lv">www.v2psk.lv</a></p> <p>E mail <a href="mailto:2.pamatskola@ventspils.lv">2.pamatskola@ventspils.lv</a></p> <p>Twitter <a href="https://twitter.com/Ventspils2psk">@Ventspils2psk</a></p>
School Year Holidays	<p>The School year starts on <b>September 1</b> and ends by <b>May 30</b> each year.</p> <p>The Autumn holidays are in the end of October (this year October 27 - 31)</p> <p>The Christmas Holidays last for two weeks in the end of December – January</p>

	(this year December 22 to January 2) The Easter Holidays - one week (this year March 16 - 20 )									
Classes	From <b>Grade 1</b> to <b>Grade 9</b>									
Students	<p><b>245</b> students in <b>10</b> classes and <b>4</b> classes for students with learning disabilities. Children from 6 - 7 years (grade 1), 15 - 16 years (grade 9). Students are mostly from middle class in relation with socio-economic status.</p>									
Teachers	<p>In our school work 23 teachers. Grade 1 – 4 have got one teacher who teaches almost all subjects. But grades 5 – 9 have got a class teacher who does the educational work with the class and other subject teachers. For children with learning disabilities we have teachers with appropriate qualification.</p>									
Infrastructure	The school has modern classes, a hall, library and an IT class.									
Curriculum	Form	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Latvian	6	6	6	6	5	4	3	3	3
	Foreign language I (English)	1		3	3	3	3	3	3	3
	Foreign language II (Russian/German)						2	3	3	3
	Math	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	5	5
	Computer studies					1	1	1		
	Nature studies	2	2	2	2	2	2			
	Biology							2	2	2
	Physics								2	2
	Chemistry								2	2
	Geography							2	2	2
	History						2	2	2	2
	Social studies	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1
	Ethics	1	1	1						
	Housekeeping and Technology	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
	PE	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
	Literature					2	2	2	2	2
	Art	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1
	Music	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1
	Choice of the educational institution	1	2	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
	TOTAL	22	23	24	26	28	30	32	34	34
Classes participating in the project	<p>Grade 8 – two classes Grade 7 – one class Grade 6 – one class Grade 5 – one class</p>									

Teachers participating in the program	Ilze Grinfogele - co-ordinator of Latvia, <a href="mailto:ilzegrinfogele@inbox.lv">ilzegrinfogele@inbox.lv</a> Sintija Birzina – headmaster, <a href="mailto:sindija6@inbox.lv">sindija6@inbox.lv</a> Inguna Freiberga – English teacher Laura Virza – English and German teacher Zanna Eizenbarde – Music teacher Dace Jankovska – Nature studies teacher Violeta Dalia Bergmane – Russian teacher

## Our City, Ventspils [www.ventspils.lv](http://www.ventspils.lv)



Welcome to Ventspils, a city respecting the past, looking to the future and bustling with activity today!

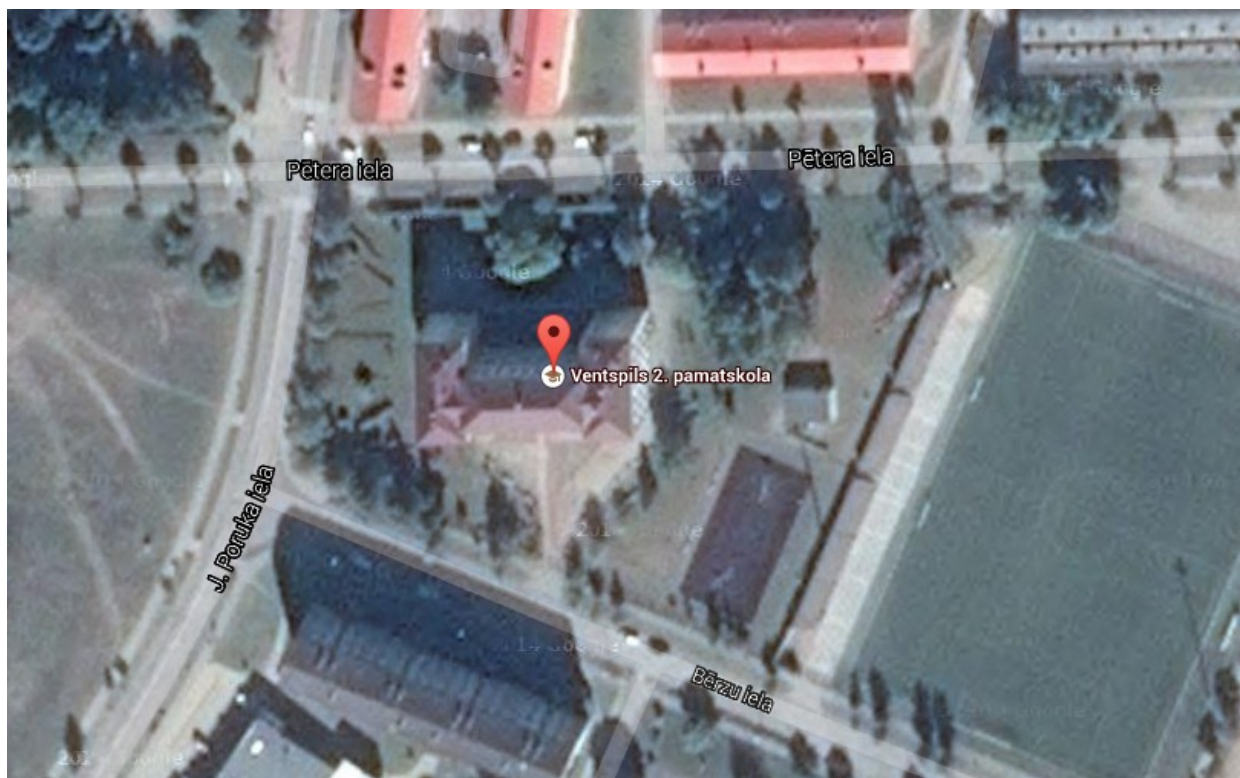
Fishermen's toughness and Couronian pertinacity cultivated through the centuries have helped inhabitants of Ventspils to make informed decisions and work professionally and purposefully, bringing their city to previously unseen levels of development over the last two decades. What was once a place nobody wished to live in has turned into a modern, tidy, flourishing city with a pleasant and friendly living environment, sprawling infrastructure and a vast variety of cultural, educational, sporting and leisure facilities.



We have set ambitious goals and learnt from world's best practice, acting out our skills and knowledge in the development of the city. Last twenty years have changed the community's opinions about what excellent communications and street pavement is, what urban architecture and landscape must be like, and what high-quality social and physical infrastructure is. The wide choice of services at sports & fitness clubs, libraries and cultural, medical and educational institutions is a matter-of-fact. Inhabitants of Ventspils are used to perfection. If something goes wrong, they immediately notice and try to fix it.

Ventspils is a family-friendly city opening up various possibilities both for families living here, and visitors with children from other cities and countries. Harmony between the modern port, innovative plants and factories, and the beautiful and tidy beach that has been flying the Blue Flag since 1999 makes Ventspils a very special place.

Ventspils is a city that won't leave you indifferent! It is like a small country within a country. There is no need to travel outside Latvia to feel a breath of Europe – you will find everything in Ventspils where even time is counted differently and where flowers, in spite of rhythms of life dictated by nature, break into blossom earlier than in other places of Latvia, and holidaymakers can enjoy an easy walk along city's cobbled streets. Ventspils is

a capital of flowers and fountains; all over the city (even in electrical posts) you can find colourful cow sculptures, but streets, parks, squares and courtyards are decorated with flower sculptures, figurative flower compositions and tasteful flowerbeds. Ventspils is in unwithering bloom even during the hottest summer days. Ventspils does not accept the popular excuse "It's not possible!" We always find a creative solution to all problems. For instance, excavated soil after the street reconstruction was used to create an artificial ski hill. Ventspils is attractive in all seasons: the Adventure Park is for adrenaline lovers; the Narrow Gauge Railroad Train and children's recreation parks are perfect for families with children; the Beach of the Blue Flag and dunes offer good sunbathing conditions even if the air temperature is just 15° C, not to mention the Water Adventure Park's and SPA Complex's pleasures, stargazing with an up-to-date telescope at the observatory and unforgettable cosmic impressions at the most contemporary digital planetarium in the Baltics (which is the only one in Latvia)... Ventspils offers all this and much, much more.

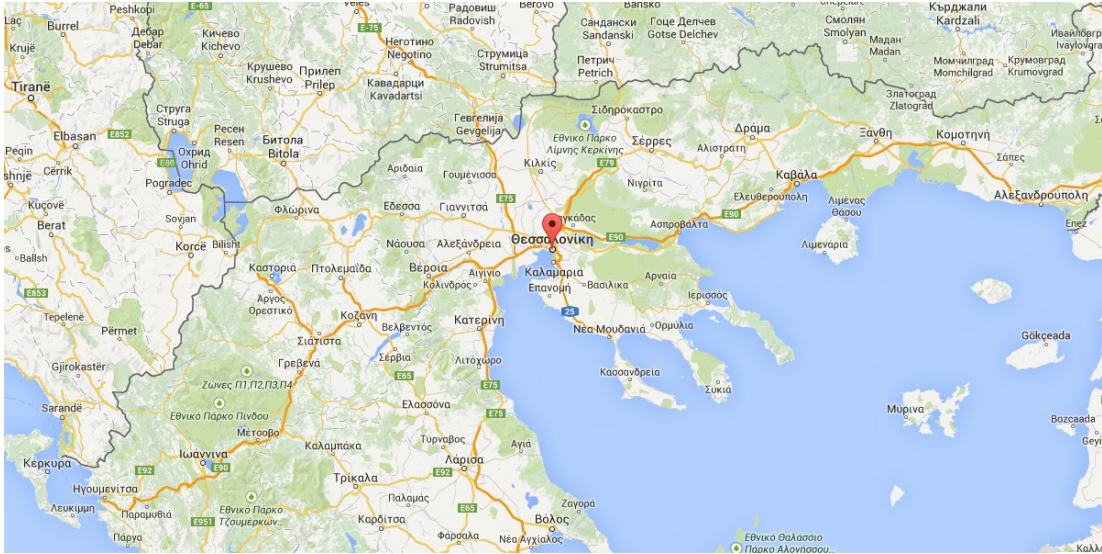


Country	<p>Ελλάδα</p> <p>Greece</p>
School	<p><b>105<sup>ο</sup> Δημοτικό Σχολείο Θεσσαλονίκης</b></p> <p><b>105<sup>th</sup> Primary School of Thessaloniki</b></p> <p>Established in 1986, is the largest school of the city of Thessaloniki (in number of students). It is located at the north-east part of the city, in the suburb of Ano Toumpa, next to the Seih-sou forest, below ring road of Thessaloniki at Exit 10, at latitude 40.61 North and longitude 22.98 East.</p>  
Communication	<p>Contact information:</p> <p><b>105<sup>th</sup> Primary School of Thessaloniki</b></p> <p><b>4 Al. Spanou St.</b></p> <p><b>54352, THESSALONIKI</b></p> <p><b>GREECE</b></p> <p>Tel: +30 2310926304</p> <p>Fax: +30 2310926304</p> <p>e-mail: <a href="mailto:105dimthe@sch.gr">105dimthe@sch.gr</a></p> <p>url: <a href="http://105dim-thess.thess.sch.gr">105dim-thess.thess.sch.gr</a></p> <p>Twitter: @105dim_thess</p>

School Year Holidays	<p>School is open on <b>September 1<sup>st</sup></b> (September 11<sup>th</sup> for students) and close by the <b>end of June</b> (June 15<sup>th</sup> for students) each year</p> <p><i>Christmas Holidays</i> two weeks (from Dec 23 to Jan 7)</p> <p><i>Easter Holidays</i> two weeks</p> <p>The school operates during weekly days:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 07:00 to 08:00 Early morning zone (1 class)</li> <li>▪ 08:00 to 14:00 Classic school (18 classes)</li> <li>▪ 14:00 to 16:15 Afternoon school (3 classes)</li> </ul>						
Classes	<b>Grade 1 to Grade 6</b>						
Students	<p><b>383</b> students in <b>18</b> classes (3 in each Grade) and <b>2</b> integrated classes</p> <p>From 6 years old (Grade 1) to 12 years old (Grade 6)</p> <p>Students are mostly from middle class in relation with socio-economic status</p>						
Teachers	<p>1 teacher acting as a <b>head teacher</b></p> <p>19 <b>class teachers</b></p> <p>2 <b>teachers</b> in <b>integrated classes</b> (specialised in learning disabilities)</p> <p>1 <b>teacher</b> in <b>afternoon school</b></p> <p>3 <b>gymnasts</b></p> <p>5 <b>foreign language teachers</b> (3 for English, 1 for French and 1 for German)</p> <p>1 <b>ICT teacher</b></p> <p>3 <b>arts teachers</b> (for drama, music and painting)</p> <p>Almost all teachers are experienced with 10 to 25 years of service.</p>						
Infrastructure	The school has relatively contemporary facilities with 18 classes, hall, library, computer lab, gym and spacious yard place.						
Curriculum	<p>It follows the national curriculum defined by the Ministry of Education.</p> <p>From 2006 new subjects added and curriculum</p>						
	<b>Subjects</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Year 6</b>
	Language	10	10	8	8	7	7
	Maths	5	5	4	4	4	4
	Study Environment	4	4	3	3	-	-
	Science	-	-	-	-	3	3
	History	-	-	2	2	2	2
	Geography	-	-	-	-	2	2
	English	2	2	4	4	4	4
	Arts	5	5	3	3	3	3
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Foreign Lang.	-	-	-	-	2	2
	ICT	1	1	2	2	2	2
	Gymnastics	4	4	4	4	2	2
	Religion Studies	-	-	2	2	2	2
	Flexible Zone	4	4	3	3	1	1
	Citizenship	-	-	-	-	1	1
	<b>Sum</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>

Classes and teachers participating to the project	<p>9 Classes will participate to the project “In the Paradise Garden of Europe”</p> <p>Grade 4 – three classes</p> <p>Grade 5 – three classes</p> <p>Grade 6 – three classes</p> <p>In the 2015-16 school year Grade 3 will join the project</p> <p>The other classes will be doing parallel activities throughout the project</p>
Teachers participating to the program	<p><b>Ioannis MICHALIS</b>, Head teacher, co-ordinator for Greece <a href="mailto:ionious@otenet.gr">ionious@otenet.gr</a></p> <p><b>Angelos LOUSTAS</b>, Grade 6 teacher, <a href="mailto:aloustas@gmail.com">aloustas@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Nick SYRANIDIS</b>, Grade 6 teacher,</p> <p><b>Ioannis TOPALIDIS</b>, Grade 6 teacher,</p> <p><b>Dimitris PAPOUKAS</b>, Grade 5 teacher, <a href="mailto:papmits2003@yahoo.gr">papmits2003@yahoo.gr</a></p> <p><b>Morfi KARAOULI</b>, Grade 5 teacher</p> <p><b>Vasilis VERGOPOULOS</b>, Grade 5 teacher, <a href="mailto:vergopoulos_v_n@yahoo.gr">vergopoulos_v_n@yahoo.gr</a></p> <p><b>Aris PAPADOPOULOS</b>, Grade 4 teacher, <a href="mailto:arispapado@sch.gr">arispapado@sch.gr</a></p> <p><b>Faidra KARAGIANNI</b>, Grade 4 teacher, <a href="mailto:fkaragia@yahoo.gr">fkaragia@yahoo.gr</a></p> <p><b>Antonia TZANTZIDOU</b>, Grade 4 teacher</p> <p><b>Dimos ALEXIADIS</b>, Integrated Class teacher, <a href="mailto:dimoalex@otenet.gr">dimoalex@otenet.gr</a></p> <p><b>Eleni THEOFILOPOULOU</b>, English teacher, <a href="mailto:sterchav@otenet.gr">sterchav@otenet.gr</a></p> <p><b>Nata TSETOULIDOU</b>, Arts teacher, <a href="mailto:anataxis17@yahoo.gr">anataxis17@yahoo.gr</a></p> <p><b>Olga GAGRINI</b>, Arts teacher, <a href="mailto:olrina826@gmail.com">olrina826@gmail.com</a></p>

## Our City, **Thessaloniki**



**Thessaloniki** (Greek: Θεσσαλονίκη), also known as **Thessalonica** or **Salonica**, is the second-largest city in Greece and the capital of the Greek region of Macedonia, the administrative region of Central Macedonia and the Decentralized Administration of Macedonia and Thrace.

According to the preliminary results of the 2011 census, the municipality of Thessaloniki today has a population of 322,240, while the Thessaloniki Urban Area (the contiguous built up area forming the "City of Thessaloniki") has a population of 790,824. Furthermore, the Thessaloniki Metropolitan Area extends over an area of 1,455.62 km<sup>2</sup> (562.02 sq mi) and its population in 2011 reached a total of 1,104,460 inhabitants.

Thessaloniki is Greece's second major economic, industrial, commercial and political centre, and a major transportation hub for the rest of southeastern Europe; its commercial port is also of great importance for Greece and the southeastern European hinterland. The city is renowned for its festivals, events and vibrant cultural life in general, and is considered to be Greece's cultural capital. Events such as the Thessaloniki International Trade Fair and the Thessaloniki International Film Festival are held annually, while the city also hosts the largest bi-annual meeting of the Greek diaspora. Thessaloniki is the 2014 European Youth Capital.

Founded in 315 BC by Cassander of Macedon, Thessaloniki's history spans some 2,300 years. He named it after his wife Thessalonike, a half-sister of Alexander the Great and princess of Macedon as daughter of Philip II. An important metropolis by the Roman period, Thessaloniki was the second largest and wealthiest city of the Byzantine Empire. Thessaloniki is home to numerous notable Byzantine monuments, including the Paleochristian and Byzantine monuments of Thessaloniki, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, as well as several Roman, Ottoman and Sephardic Jewish structures. The city's main university, Aristotle University, is the largest in Greece and the Balkans.



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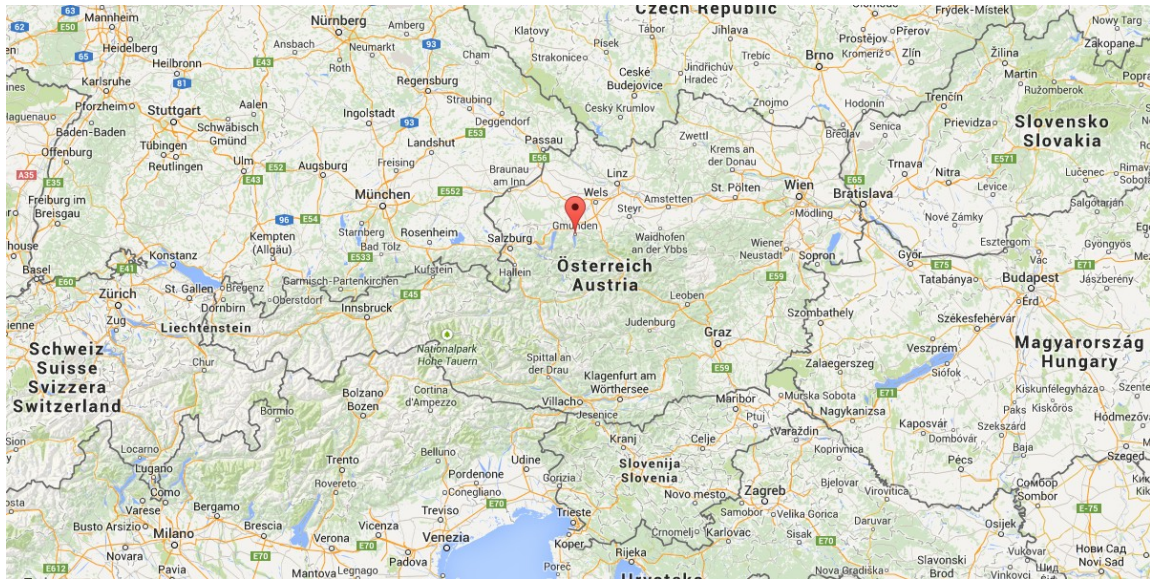
Country	<b>Austria</b>
School	<p><b>"Polytechnische Schule Gmunden"</b> (prevocational school)</p>  
Communication	<p><b>Polytechnische Schule Gmunden</b>  <b>Spitalstraße 6</b>  <b>4810 GMUNDEN</b>  <b>AUSTRIA</b></p> <p>Tel.: +43 7612 755 82 – 11 (headmaster's office)  Tel.: +43 7612 755 82 – 12 (teacher's room)  Fax: + 43 7612 755 82 – 20  E-Mail: <a href="mailto:pts.gmunden@eduhi.at">pts.gmunden@eduhi.at</a> (headmaster, Mr. Harringer)  <a href="mailto:hinterbergeralbert@gmail.com">hinterbergeralbert@gmail.com</a>  (project coordinator, Mr. Hinterberger)  URL: <a href="http://joomla.eduhi.at/pts-gmunden/">http://joomla.eduhi.at/pts-gmunden/</a></p>

School Year Holidays	<p><b>2014/15</b></p> <p>Christmas holidays: Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> 2014 – Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> 2015</p> <p>term holidays: Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> – Feb. 21<sup>nd</sup> 2015</p> <p>Easter holidays: March 28<sup>th</sup> – April 7<sup>th</sup> 2015</p> <p>summer holidays: July 11<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> 2015</p> <p><b>2015/16</b></p> <p>Christmas holidays: Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> 2015 – Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> 2016</p> <p>term holidays: Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> – Feb. 20<sup>nd</sup> 2016</p> <p>Easter holidays: March 19<sup>th</sup> – March 29<sup>th</sup> 2016</p> <p>summer holidays: July 9<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> 2016</p>
Classes	<p><b>Grade 9</b></p> <p>5 classes, there of 1 integration class</p>
Students	<p>Status quo (Oct. 2015):</p> <p>94 students at the age of 14/15 years (some up to 17 years).</p> <p>5 students with learning difficulties</p> <p>7 students, who almost don't speak German (yet!)</p> <p>There are many more students from different nations – as from Turkey, Serbia, Croatia, Romania, Afghanistan, Italy, Egypt and Germany – and therefore there are various ethnic backgrounds at our school.</p>
Teachers	<p>11 teachers, 1 headmaster (every teacher as well as the headmaster is deployed on different subjects; 1 teacher skilled in special needs education)</p>
Infrastructure	<p>The “Polytechnische Schule Gmunden” unfortunately hasn't got great facilities.</p> <p>The main building allocates only 4 classrooms, so a container building, which is usually used on construction sites, is attached to the main building and serves as a “temporary” classroom – for about 12 years now ;) . There isn't a gym either, so the students and their teachers do some work-out already when they walk to the gym of another school... There is no hall and don't even think of a library... ;)</p> <p>However, there is an ICT-room in the main building, 4 classrooms, a small conference room and a tiny buffet! And some very comfy armchairs in the corridor ;)</p>
Curriculum	<p>Regular students: curriculum for the “Polytechnische Schule”</p> <p>Students with learning difficulties: curriculum for vocational preparation</p>

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Classes and teachers participating in the project	All classes and all teachers are going to participate in the project, although some more intensely than others!																		
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## Our City, Gmunden



**Gmunden** is a town in Upper Austria, Austria in the district of Gmunden. It has 13,202 inhabitants (estimates 2004). It is much frequented as a health and summer resort, and has a variety of lake, brine, vegetable and pine-cone baths, a hydropathic establishment, inhalation chambers, whey cure, etc. It is also an important centre of the salt industry in Salzkammergut.




Gmunden covers an area of 63.49 km<sup>2</sup> and has a median height of 425 m. It is situated next to the lake Traunsee on the Traun River and is surrounded by high mountains, as the Traunstein (mountain) (5446 ft.), the Erlakogel (5150 ft.), the Wilder Kogel (6860 ft.) and the Höllengebirge.

As of 2001, Gmunden has a population of 13,336. Of that, 88.4% are Austrian in nationality, 1.5% are from other European Union states, and 10.2% are other foreigners. Citizens of Bosnia-Herzegovina (3.6%) and the former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (2.7%) placed the strongest foreigner portion, followed by Turks (1.2%) and Germans (1.1%).

The majority (69.3%) confess themselves to the Roman Catholic Church. Evangelicals are next, which 7.3% of the population associate with. 5.9% are Muslims and 3.3% are Orthodox. 10.3% are nonreligious

A settlement was in existence already in the fifth century AC. By 1186 Gmunden was a fortified place surrounded by walls, although it did not receive a church until about 1300. In 1278 Gmunden became a town. On November 14, 1626 an army of rebellious peasants was completely defeated at Gmunden by General Pappenheim, who had been ordered by Maximilian I to suppress the peasant rebellion in Upper Austria.<sup>1</sup> The dead peasant insurgents were buried in nearby Pinsdorf, where an obelisk styled memorial known as the *Bauernhügel* in their honour can still be seen.

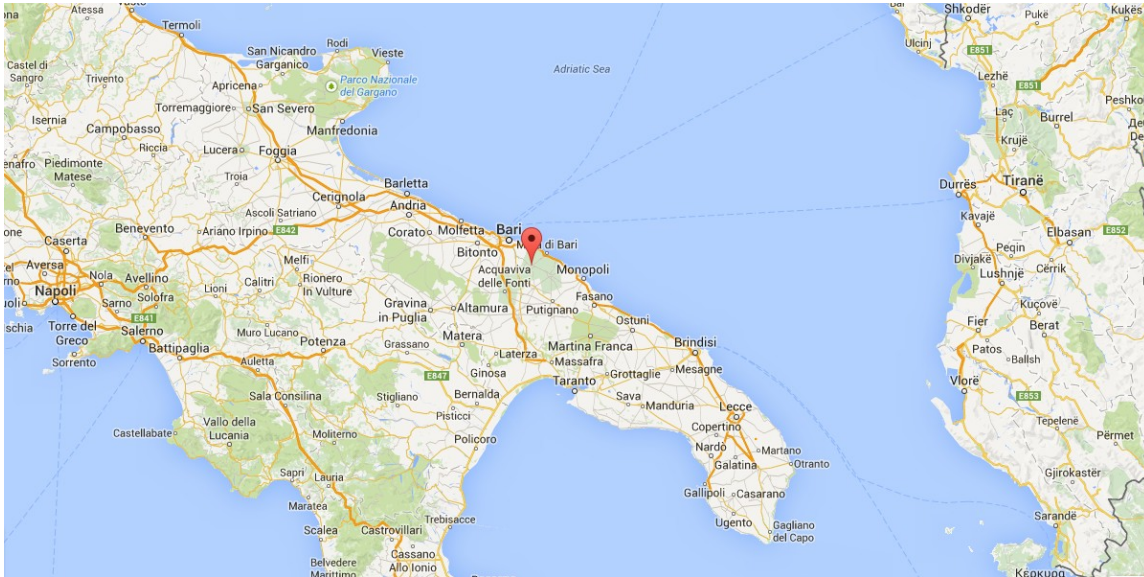


Country	Italy
School	<p><b>I Circolo "G.Settanni"</b> <b>Rutigliano</b></p> <p>Our primary school "G. Settanni" established in 1902, is a public school located in a small town (Rutigliano), 18 km far from Bari , the county town of Region Puglia. It is the oldest educational institution in the country and as such, has been over half a century, the cultural reference for the entire population mainly devoted to agriculture (mainly grapes and wheat). The school is located in an area directly related to the historical center of our town .</p>   
Communication	<p><b>Contact information:</b></p> <p><b>I Circolo "G.Settanni"</b> <b>Corso Cairoli,10</b> <b>70018</b> <b>Rutigliano</b> <b>Bari</b></p> <p>Tel: +39 0804761018 Fax: +39 0804778168 e-mail: <a href="mailto:baee15500v@istruzione.it">baee15500v@istruzione.it</a></p>
School Year Holidays	<p>School is open on <b>September 1<sup>st</sup></b> (September 12<sup>th</sup> for students this year) and close by the <b>end of June</b> (June 9<sup>th</sup> for students) this year</p>

	<i>Christmas Holidays</i> two weeks (from Dec 23 to Jan 6th) <i>Easter Holidays</i> one week from April 2 <sup>nd</sup> to April 7th The school operates during weekly days: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>08:15 to 13:15 (20 classes) from Monday to Saturday</li><li>08:15 to 16:15 (3 classes) from Monday to Friday</li></ul>																																																																																											
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Teachers	a <b><i>head teacher ( she doesn't teach)</i></b> <b>32 class teachers</b> 5 <b><i>teachers</i></b> in <b><i>integrated classes</i></b> (specialised in learning disabilities) <b>2 teachers of religion</b> 2 English <b><i>foreign language teachers</i></b>  Almost all teachers are experienced with 10 to 30 or more years of service.																																																																																											
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Classes participating to the project	<p>9 Classes will participate to the project <b>“In the Paradise Garden of Europe”</b></p> <p>Grade 4 – four classes</p> <p>Grade 5 – five classes</p> <p>In the 2015-16 school year the actual Grade 3 will join the project</p> <p>The other classes will be doing parallel activities throughout the project</p>
Teachers participating to the program	<p>Grazia Porcelli, English teacher in 7 classes, co-ordinator for Italy  <a href="mailto:porcelligrazia@libero.it">porcelligrazia@libero.it</a></p> <p>Rosa Mastronardi, English teacher in 9 classes,  <a href="mailto:micmo@libero.it">micmo@libero.it</a>,</p> <p>Francesca Bruno, Grade 5 Language ,History and Geography teacher in 2 classes  <a href="mailto:Francesca.brunof@libero.it">Francesca.brunof@libero.it</a></p> <p>Maria Dilorenzo, Grade 5 Math and Science teacher in 2 classes  <a href="mailto:maridilo58@libero.it">maridilo58@libero.it</a></p> <p>Giacoma Castiglione, Grade 5 teacher in 1 class  <a href="mailto:Mina.castiglione@gmail.com">Mina.castiglione@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Domenica Palazzo, Grade 5 Language ,History and geography teacher in 2 classes  <a href="mailto:Domenica.palazzo@libero.it">Domenica.palazzo@libero.it</a></p> <p>Nicola Franchini, Grade 5 Math and Science teacher in 2 classes</p> <p>Domenica Delliturri, <b>Grade 5</b> History Geography teacher in 2 classes</p> <p>Filomena Debellis, special education teacher  <a href="mailto:mipada@libero.it">mipada@libero.it</a></p> <p>Teresa Campolo, Grade 4 teacher</p> <p>Anna Maria Debellis, Grade 4 Language ,History and geography teacher in 2 classes</p> <p>Giuseppina Spinelli, Grade 4 Math and Science teacher in 3 classes</p> <p>Cecilia Tarulli, Grade 4 Math and Science teacher in 2 classes  <a href="mailto:Cecilia.tarulli@libero.it">Cecilia.tarulli@libero.it</a></p> <p>Filomena Valenzano, Grade 4 Language teacher in 2 classes</p> <p>Maria Teresa Valentini, Grade 4-5 History, Geography teacher</p> <p>Antonella Achille, special education teacher</p> <p>Maria Immacolata Buonasora, religion teacher in 11 classes  <a href="mailto:Imma.buonasora@libero.it">Imma.buonasora@libero.it</a></p> <p>Anna Chiarito, religion teacher in 9 classes  <a href="mailto:annachiarito@alice.it">annachiarito@alice.it</a></p>

## Our City, **Rutigliano**



Rutigliano (Retegghiène in dialect) is an Italian town of 18,108 inhabitants of the province of Bari, in Puglia, only 8 kms. away from the Adriatic coast. The town in the south-east of Bari, along with six other towns in Puglia, in 2010 was earned the title of "City of Art" in terms of its priceless historical and artistic heritage and architecture.

World-renowned for its large scale production of select varieties of both table grapes (Italy, Red Globe, Victoria, Queen Grapes), and wine grapes, Rutigliano is an old agricultural centre 18 kms. away from Bari known as the "Grapes City".

In addition, in the south, is known as the capital of the "Terracotta whistles." The town is in fact famous for its traditional activities of *figuli* practiced since Neolithic times, and now linked to the clay pots for cooking food and the production of the typical clay "whistles". (fine art craft). The art of making *figuli* is the oldest among Rutigliano's ancient traditions.

The excellent quality of the clay, which is still quarried locally in accordance with old methods, and the craftsmen ability have produced earthenware objects famous all over the world.

The inhabited area (129,7 mts. above the sea level) lies at the centre of a strip of land bounded by two erosive cracks called *lame*. From east to west they cross the hillock moulded territory.

The ground is mostly made up of calcareous rocks, which go back to the high Cretaceous period, and layers of *clay* on top of them. The abundant *red earth* and the farmers' skilled work have made it a very fertile land to grow grapes, cherries, peaches and kiwi, olives, almonds, artichokes, vegetables and corn. Thanks to their good taste and high quality, grapes and vegetables are exported everywhere and Rutigliano ranks top positions on European markets.

Scattered in the area there are a lot of archaeological sites witnessing man's presence ever since the paleolithic period.

As a matter of fact **Rutigliano** is also well known for its big necropolis (containing about 500 tombs) discovered between 1976 and 1980 in the district called **Purgatorio**, 5 kms. south from the town centre.

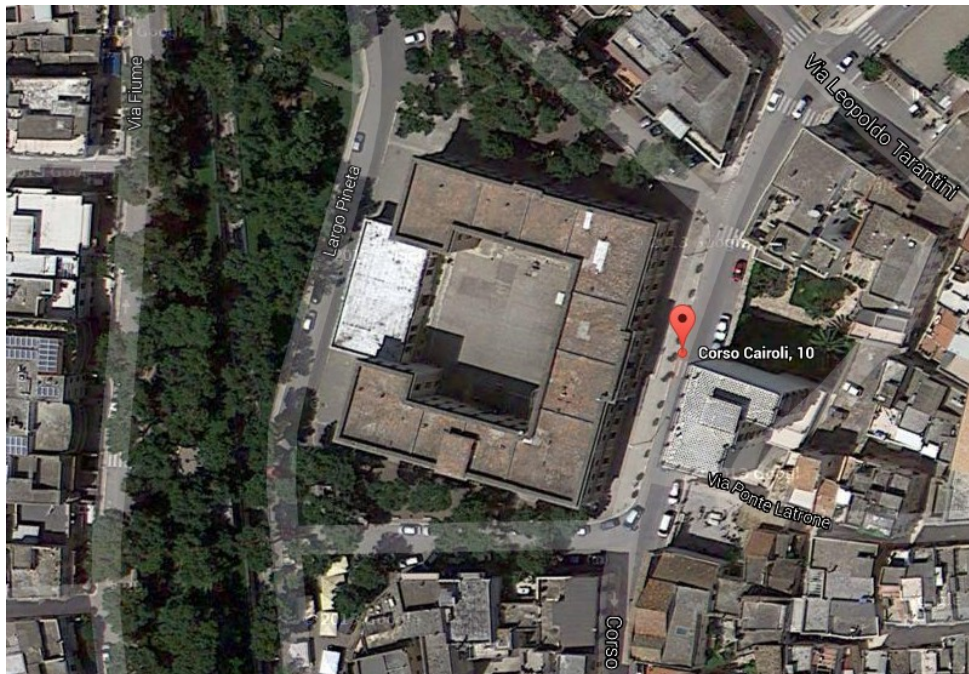
Tomb ornaments aged between the end of the 7th and the beginning of the 4th century B.C. have been the richest ones discovered in Peucetia so far.

Vases which can be ascribed to the **Painter of the Berlin's Dancer**, to the **Painter from Peleo** and to the **Painter from Amykos** come from this necropolis. "

After the Diet of Melfi in 1042 **Rutiglianum**, ruled by Asgot's son, Ugo, built its most important monuments. The old part of the small town which grew round the *castrum* has several buildings whose historical as well as artistic-architectural importance is great.

Narrow streets, arches and small squares form a close net round the castle and the main church. It is a tangible proof of man's life, a sign linking the present to the past.

Besides offering a marvelous scenery of immense *grapevine* cultivations, **Rutigliano** countryside is also rich in historical evidences directly linked to rural civilization. Farms and small country churches are *an* example.

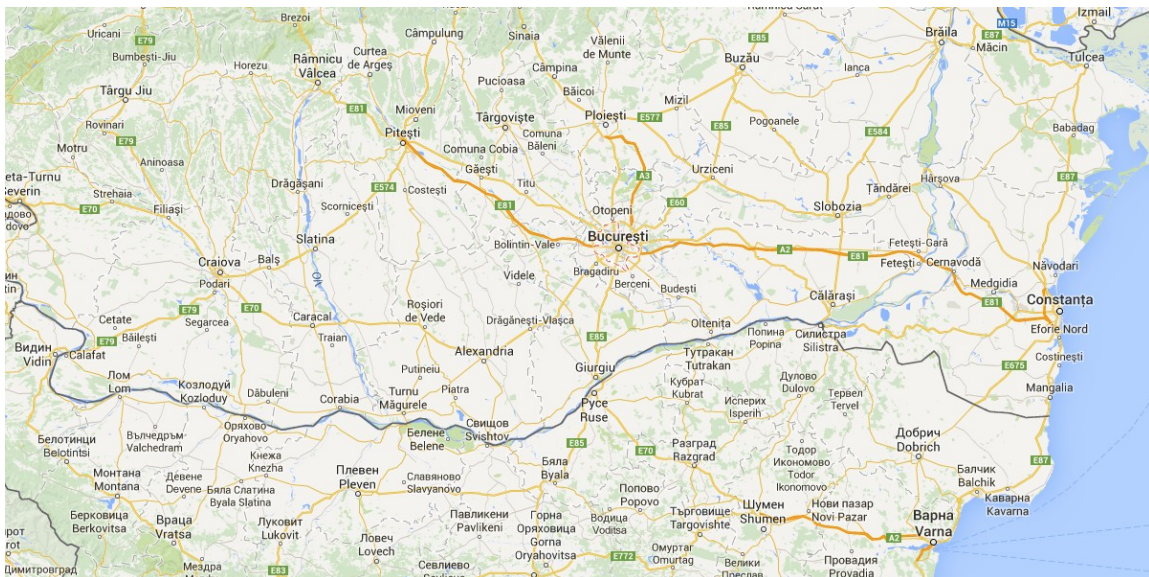


Country	Romania
School	<p><b>SCOALA GIMNAZIALA NR. 103</b></p>  
Communication	<p>Contact Information:</p> <p><b>SCOALA GIMNAZIALA NR. 103</b>  <b>Vigoniei nr. 3 – 5, sector 5, Bucuresti</b>  <b>ROMANIA</b></p> <p>Phone/ fax +40 021 450 37 28  Web: <a href="http://scoala103.ro">http://scoala103.ro</a></p>
School Year Holidays	<p>September, 15<sup>th</sup> – June, 19<sup>th</sup>  November, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> (primary) December, 22<sup>th</sup> – January, 2<sup>nd</sup> (Christmas),  February 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> (inter-semesters), April 6<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> (Easter), June 20<sup>th</sup> –  september 13<sup>th</sup> (summer holiday)</p>

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Seretean Ilse – headteacher 2, Geography  
 Ramona Enescu – coordinator, English & Romanian language  
 Luminita Matei – English language  
 Dana Negulescu - English language  
 Liliana Stoian – French  
 Minodora Cirstoiu – Religious Education  
 Magdalena Spatarelu – Arts  
 Mioara Barsan - Music  
 Aurelia Jianu – Physics  
 Cristina Manolache – 1<sup>st</sup> grade  
 Elena Dumbrava – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade  
 Tinela Pituru – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade  
 Crina Nicolae – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade  
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## Our City, **Bucharest**



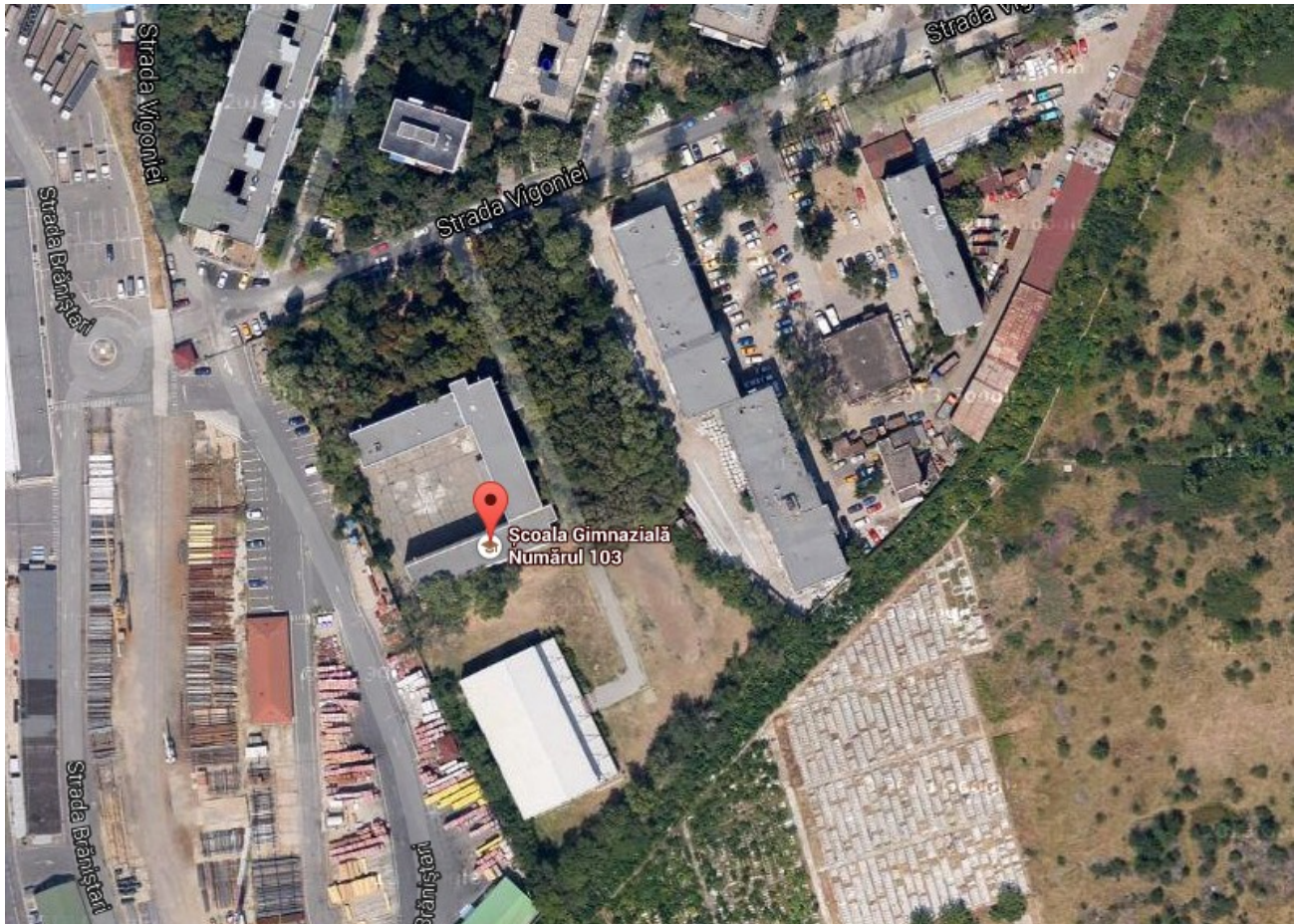
**Bucharest** is the capital municipality, cultural, industrial, and financial centre of Romania. It is the largest city in Romania, located in the southeast of the country, at 44°25'57"N 26°06'14"E, lies on the banks of the Dâmbovița River, less than 70 km (43.5 mi) north of the Danube River.



Bucharest was first mentioned in documents in 1459. It became the capital of Romania in 1862 and is the centre of Romanian media, culture and art. Its architecture is a mix of historical (neo-classical), interbellum (Bauhaus and Art Deco), Communist-era and modern. In the period between the two World Wars, the city's elegant architecture and the sophistication of its elite earned Bucharest the nickname of "Little Paris" (*Micul Paris*). Although buildings and districts in the historic city centre were heavily damaged or destroyed by war, earthquakes, and above all Nicolae Ceaușescu's program of systematization, many survived. In recent years, the city has been experiencing an economic and cultural boom.

According to 2011 census, 1,883,425 inhabitants live within the city limits, a decrease from the figure recorded at the 2002 census. The urban area extends beyond the limits of Bucharest proper and has a population of

about 1.9 million people. Adding the satellite towns around the urban area, the proposed metropolitan area of Bucharest would have a population of 2.27 million people. According to Eurostat, Bucharest has a Larger Urban Zone of 2,151,880 residents. According to unofficial data, the population is more than 3 million. Bucharest is the 6th largest city in the European Union by population within city limits, after London, Berlin, Madrid, Rome, and Paris.

Economically, Bucharest is the most prosperous city in Romania and is one of the main industrial centers and transportation hubs of Eastern Europe. The city has big convention facilities, educational institutes, cultural venues, traditional "shopping arcades" and recreational areas.



Country	Basque Country
School	<p><b>Andra Mari Ikastola</b></p> <p>Established in Etxarri Aranatz in 1969 as a result of a great community work, it is nowadays the largest school in the town (in number of students), and receives students from 13 towns of the Sakana valley.</p> <p>It is situated in the centre of the town but a new building is being built next to the forest of the Aralar mountain range, which will be home to our primary school pupils in the following school year</p>  
Communication	<p>Contact information:</p> <p><b>Andra Mari ikastola</b>  <b>Larrapeta 9, 31820</b>  <b>Etxarri Aranatz</b>  <b>Nafarroa</b>  <b>Basque Contry</b></p> <p>Telf.: +34 948 460 286</p>

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School Year Holidays	<p>School is open on the 25th of August (the 1st of September for teachers, the 5th for primary school students and the 10th for secondary school students) and close by the middle of July (19th of June for students, end of June for teachers).</p> <p>Christmas Holidays two weeks (from Dec 23 to Jan 7).</p> <p>Easter Holidays one week and a half.</p> <p>13th of June (patron saint of Etxarri Aranatz).</p> <p>The school operates during weekly days:</p> <p>9.0013.00 and 15.0016.30 from 2 to12 yearold students (only morning on Wednesdays).</p> <p>9.0015.00 for secondary school students.</p>
Classes	From 2 year old students to 16 year old students (whole compulsory education)
Students	431 students in 17 classes (1 or 2 in each grade)
Teachers	40 Teachers, 7 of them specialists; 5 of English and 2 of Physical Education
Infrastructure	The school has relatively contemporary facilities with 18 classes, hall, library, computer lab, gym, laboratory, technology workshop, and two playgrounds
Curriculum	<p><b>Infant education (2-6)</b></p> <p><b>Primary education (6-12)</b></p> <p>Basque language, Mathematics, Environment, English language, Spanish language, Computer science, Reading, Creativity, Music, Art</p> <p>Gymnastics</p> <p><b>Secondary education (12-16)</b></p> <p>Bertsolaritza, Basque language, Spanish language, English language, Social Science, Gymnastics, Nature Science, Mathematics, Art, Music, Citizenship, Computer science, Chemistry/Physics, Biology/Geology, Classical culture, Technology, Occupational introduction</p>

Classes and teachers participating to the project	Second grade of secondary education class students will participate in the project "In the Paradise Garden of Europe"
Teachers participating to the program	<p>Ipaki Tolosa, Headmaster and English teacher  <a href="mailto:inatolosa@andramariikastola.org">inatolosa@andramariikastola.org</a></p> <p>Adur Goikoetxea, headteacher and 2nd grade tutor  <a href="mailto:adugoikoetxea@andramariikastola.org">adugoikoetxea@andramariikastola.org</a></p> <p>Ipigo Orel a, biology teacher and 2nd grade tutor  <a href="mailto:iniorel a@andramariikastola.org">iniorel a@andramariikastola.org</a></p> <p>Lorea Larraza English teacher <a href="mailto:lorlarraza@andramariikastola.org">lorlarraza@andramariikastola.org</a></p> <p>Amaia Montes, English teacher <a href="mailto:amamontes@andramariikastola.org">amamontes@andramariikastola.org</a></p> <p>Leire Reboredo, English teacher <a href="mailto:leireboredo@andramariikastola.org">leireboredo@andramariikastola.org</a></p> <p>Anaitz Igoa, Physical education and art teacher  <a href="mailto:anaigoa@andramariikastola.org">anaigoa@andramariikastola.org</a></p> <p>Lusi Karlos Preciado ICT teacher <a href="mailto:luiskarlos@andramariikastola.org">luiskarlos@andramariikastola.org</a></p>

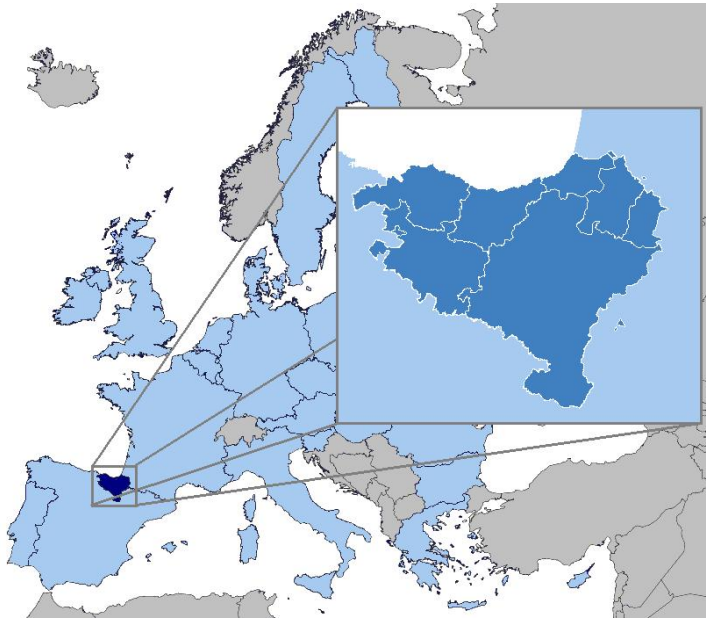
### Our City, **Etxarri Aranatz**



**COOPERATIVA DE ENSEÑANZA PADRES DE ALUMNOS SAN MIGUEL DE ARLAR (ANDRAMARI IKASTOLA)** is located in Sakana Valley, where unemployment rate is getting higher and higher, being at the moment close to 30% of the active population. Traditionally its economy has been based on agriculture, however after the industrial revolution several companies settled their factories in the area. Due to the economical crisis we are involved in, many of them have been obliged to close and a great number of parents of our community have therefore been fired.

Our students come from several villages in the valley. The school is located in Sakana valley, in a town called Etxarri Aranatz (around 2.500 inhabitants). Etxarri Aranatz is a town and municipality located in the province and autonomous community of Navarre. Etxarri Aranatz was founded in 1312.

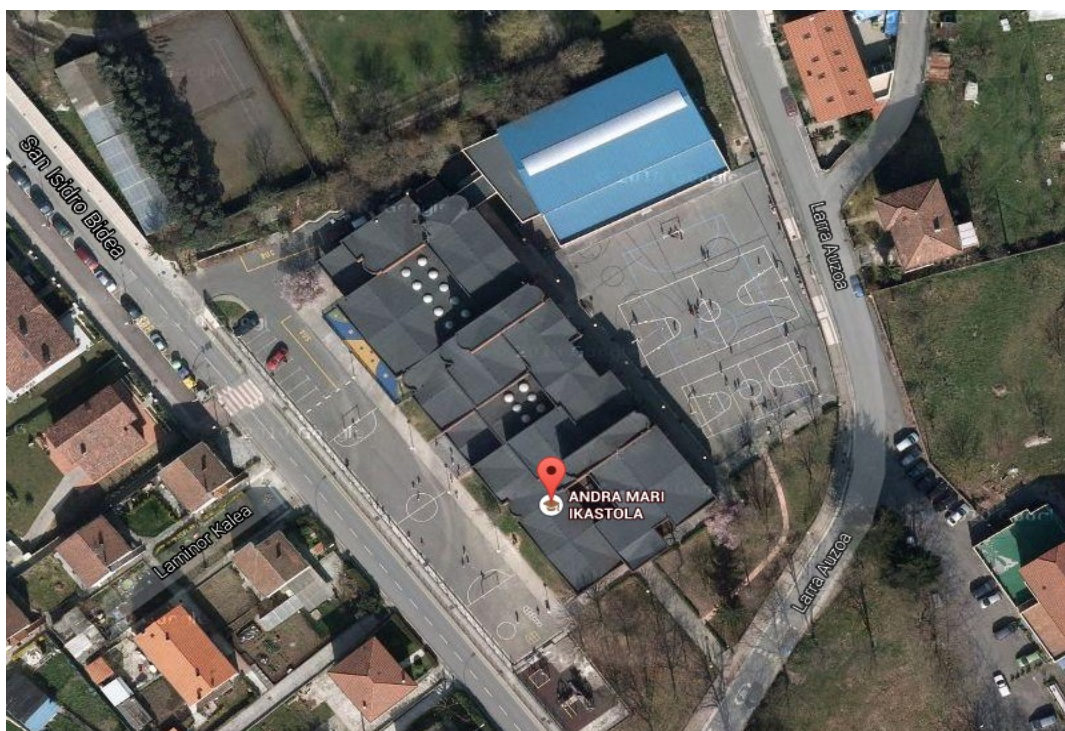
A beautiful place surrounded by high hills and oak forests. There are some other smaller villages scattered all over the valley and most of their kids come to our school as well. We have 431 students. Here you are the webpage of our school and a web page of our area.



### **Ikastola**

An Ikastola is a type of primary and secondary school in the Basque Autonomous Community, Navarre and (to a much lesser extent) the French Basque Country (see Basque Country) in which pupils are taught either entirely or predominantly in the Basque language. Ikastola can be nowadays either private or public, divided into different networks.

The Basque language public network relies on state funding and management, allocated in Spain by the education institutions of the Basque Autonomous Community and Navarre in their corresponding territories, while in France the association IkasBi in the public network advocates for bilingual education. Seaska is the private network of Basque language schools in the French Basque Country, closely linked to the similar network in the Southern Basque Country. The private networks base their activity on the fees paid by parents, popular subscription (either directly or by means of annual massive festivals, e.g. Herri Urrats, Nafarroa Oinez, Araba Euskaraz, etc.) and the allowance provided by public educational institutions.



Country	Portugal
School	Jardim Escola João de Deus – Torres Novas
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School Year Holidays	<p>School is opened all year - School year starts in September according to the official school calendar ( 11<sup>th</sup> September ) and ends by the end of June (each year)</p> <p>Christmas Holidays – School is opened but there are no classes, it only closes in 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of December)</p> <p>Easter Holidays - School is opened but there are no classes and it only closes Holy Friday.</p> <p>The school operates during weekly days: 8:00 – 19:00</p>
Classes	<p>3 years old; 4 years old; 5 years old – kindergarten</p> <p>6 years old; 7 years old; 8 years; 9 years old – primary school</p>
Students	139 students in 7 classes – from 3 years to 10 years old
Teachers	<p>2 teachers – 1 Head teacher and 1 Pedagogical</p> <p>7 teachers per class</p> <p>1 teacher (supporting teacher)</p> <p>1 Gym teacher</p> <p>1 Music teacher</p> <p>1 foreign language teacher (English)</p> <p>Extracurricular activities – Dance; Guitar and Drama Classes</p>
Infrastructure	The school has 6 classrooms; ICT room; Canteen; Gym; A big saloon; 2 playgrounds
Curriculum	<p>In this Association follows the João de Deus Method – “<i>Cartilha Maternal</i>” at the age of 5.</p> <p>Our children start school at the age of 3 and at the age of 5 they learn to read according the method of João de Deus – <i>Cartilha Maternal</i>. At the age of 6 they enter primary school where they stay till the age of 9.</p> <p>All teachers who teaches in our school are qualified who took their qualification according to this method.</p>

Classes and teachers participating to the project	<b>All Classes</b>
Teachers participating to the program	<p>All teachers</p> <p>Ana Cruz – Head teacher – <a href="mailto:torresnovas@escolasjoaodeus.pt">torresnovas@escolasjoaodeus.pt</a></p> <p>Carina Pereira – Pedagogical Teacher</p> <p>Manuela Barroso – 3 years old Class</p> <p>Maria Sousa – 4 years old Class</p> <p>Ana Parracho – 5 years old Class</p> <p>Ana Cunha – Supporting teacher</p> <p>Patricia Mendes – 6 years old</p> <p>Rita Julião – 7 years old</p> <p>Raquel Lourenço – 8 years old</p> <p>Carina Pereira – 9 years old</p> <p>Alexandra Ferreira – English Teacher – <a href="mailto:xana.cristina@hotmail.com">xana.cristina@hotmail.com</a></p> <p>Teresa - Music Teacher</p>

Jardim Escola João de Deus - Torres Novas is one of the 40 school as part of an association of which follows the method João de Deus, and it is spreaded all over the country.

This association has no profitable goals and is opened to all classes, races, religion beliefs and to all ideologies. To fight against illiteracy as human plague is one of theirs greatest goals. Financially, they depend on an association that defined the principle that families do pay according to their incomes. The underprivileged do not pay at all. Nowadays the João de Deus kindergarten association gets a grant from the government.

Jardim Escola João de Deus - Torres Novas is located in Torres Novas, a town in the centre of Portugal not far from the capital (Lisbon). We are a preprimary and primary school with 140 pupils.

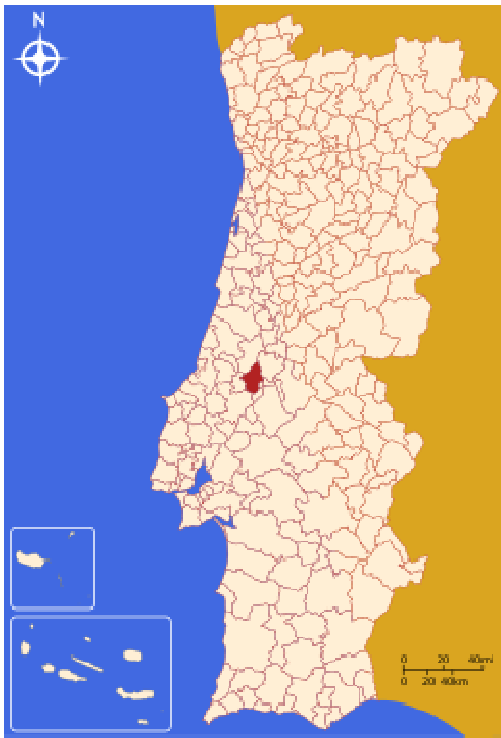
Most pupils come from married couples, but there is a small percentage that comes from mono parental families. A great percentage of parents are highly educated and there is a good partnership between parents , pupils and their parents.

Most of the pupils who come to our school have chosen it for its educational policy which is oriented to learn according to the method João de Deus.

Beside the core curriculum, there are other subjects, they all can learn such as Gymnastics, Music, Dance, English, Drama.

## Our city, **Torres Novas**

**Torres Novas** is a municipality in the district of Santarém in Portugal. The population in 2011 was 36,717, in an area of 270.00 km<sup>2</sup>.



The city of Torres Novas proper has about 15,000 inhabitants. This city has a castle. The seat of the municipality (town hall/"câmara municipal") is in the city, which includes four parishes ("freguesias") in the urban area.

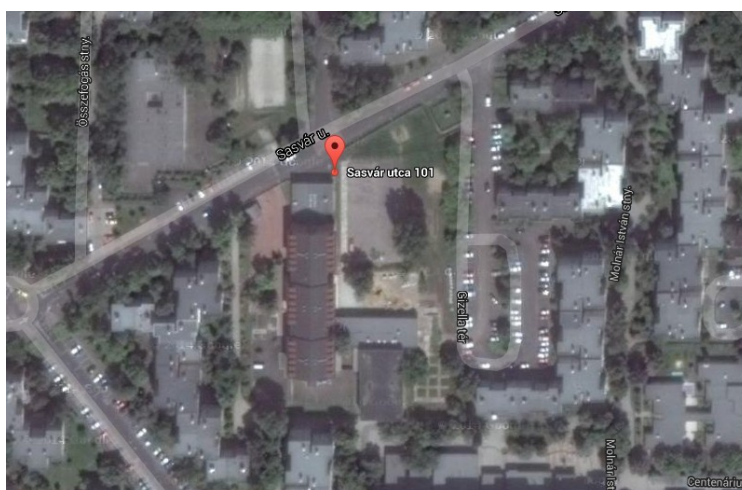
Little is known about the history of Torres Novas prior to the conquest of the city from the Arabs in 1148 by Don Afonso Henriques, the first king of Portugal. It is assumed that several peoples called the area home, including the Greeks, Romans, Celts and Arabs. The Roman presence is well established based on the ruins at Vila Cardílio

The castle, which had fallen into ruin, was rebuilt in 1190 by Sancho I. The castle was further rebuilt by Ferdinand I in 1376. The city grew up directly around the castle.

The city was surrounded by walls until the 16th century when it began to expand beyond its historical boundaries. The original walls were demolished during the 19th century.

Country	<p><b>Magyarország</b></p> <p><b>Hungary</b></p>
School	<p><b>Centenárium Általános Iskola és Szakiskola</b></p> <p><b>Centenárium Primary School</b></p> <p>Established in 1927, is a state operated institution. It was reopened in 1979 in four buildings, eight grades with hundreds of students. It is located at the east part of the city.</p>
Communication	<p>Contact information:</p> <p><b>Centenárium Általános Iskola és Szakiskola</b></p> <p><b>Budapest</b></p> <p><b>Sasvár u. 101</b></p> <p><b>1165</b></p> <p><b>Hungary</b></p> <p><b>Tel: +36 1 403-6803</b></p> <p><b>Fax: +36 1 403-6214</b></p> <p><b>e-mail: <a href="mailto:info@centi.hu">info@centi.hu</a></b></p> <p><b><a href="http://www.centi.hu">www.centi.hu</a></b></p> <p>Facebook: Iskola a Centenárium lakótelepen</p>
School Year Holidays	<p>School is open on <b>September 1<sup>st</sup></b> and close by the <b>end of June</b> (June 15<sup>th</sup> for students) each year</p> <p><i>Christmas Holidays</i> two weeks (from Dec 19 to Jan 5)</p> <p><i>Easter Holidays</i> two weeks (from Apr 1 to Apr 8 )</p> <p>The school operates during weekly days:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 08:00 to 16:15</li> </ul>
Classes	<b>Grade 1 to Grade 8</b>
Students	<p><b>251</b> students in 15 classes (2 in each Grade except 1st grade)</p> <p>Students are mostly from middle class in relation with socio-economic status</p>
Teachers	<p>1 teacher acting as a <b>head teacher</b> and 2 teachers as deputy manager</p> <p>15 <b>class teachers</b></p> <p>3 <b>gymnasts</b></p> <p>3 <b>foreign language teachers</b> (2 for English and 1 for German)</p> <p>1 <b>ICT teacher</b></p> <p>3 <b>arts teachers</b> (for drama, music and painting)</p> <p>Teachers are experienced with 1 to 40 years of service.</p>
Infrastructure	<p>The school has 28 classes (15 classroom, Chemistry lab, Music room, Math room, Language room, English Labs, Biology room Geography room etc.), hall, library, 2 computer labs, 2 gyms, a canteen and sport yard and a playground.</p>
Curriculum	<p>It follows the national curriculum defined by the Ministry of Education.</p>

	<b>Subjects</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> class</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> class</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> class</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> class</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> class</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> class</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> class</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> class</b>
	Language	8	8	8	7	4	4	4	4
	Maths	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
	Study Environment	1	1	1,5	2	2	3	-	-
	Science	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
	History	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	2
	Geography	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
	English	1	1	2	4	4	4	3,5	3,5
	Arts	2	2	1,5	2	1	1	1	1
	ICT	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
	Gymnastics	5	5	5	3	5	5	5	3
	Religion Studies	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	-
	Citizenship	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
	Craft	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Music	2	2	1,5	2	1	1	1	1
	Biology	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
	Physics	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
	<b>Sum:</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>24,5</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>30,5</b>	<b>28,5</b>
Classes and teachers participating to the project	All classes will participate to the project "In the Paradise Garden of Europe"								
Teachers participating to the program	<p><b>Éva SABÁLI</b> , Head teacher, co-ordinator for Hungary <a href="mailto:info@centi.hu">info@centi.hu</a></p> <p><b>Anita GOÓG</b>, English teacher, contact person <a href="mailto:googanita@gmail.com">googanita@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Zsuzsanna SZALAY</b>, Deputy manager</p> <p><b>Anett BOLLA</b>, Grade 1 teacher, Art manager</p> <p><b>Györgyi BERKES</b>, Grade 2 teacher</p> <p><b>Andrea RÉPÁSI</b>, Grade 6 teacher,</p> <p><b>Rita CSOMBOR</b>, Hungarian Language teacher</p> <p>All other teachers are participating in the project tasks.</p>								



## Our City, **Budapest**

The Hungarian capital can be found in the heart of our country. Budapest is the most visited tourist destination in Hungary giving home to more than 2 million people. It's also well-known cultural, artistic and sport centre. Budapest is 25 kms long in the north-south direction and 29 kms wide in the east-west direction. Its deepest point is the level of the Danube about 90 metres above sea level, and its highest point is 529 metres. The city was born in 1873 due to the unification of Pest, Buda and Óbuda. In 1987 Budapest was added to the Unesco World Heritage List for the cultural and architectural significance of the Banks of the Danube, the Buda Castle Quarter and Andrassy Avenue.



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