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John Dewey*

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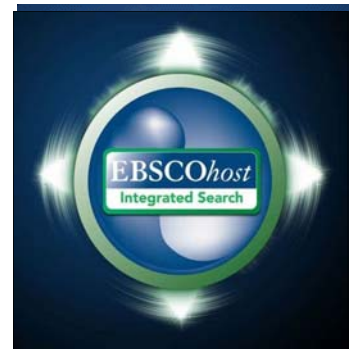
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What's the best way to celebrate the upcoming Day of the Bulgarian Revival Leaders? The provision of access to the premium online information resource for tens of thousands of institutions worldwide, representing millions of end-users – EBSCO host, to Zlatarski School students and staff members. This is the largest online library providing colleges and universities with full text databases and electronic journals... EBSCO's leading online full text databases offer access to full text articles from peer-reviewed journals published by many of the world's most prestigious academic publishers. EBSCO's full text databases offer tremendous value to an

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## EXCELLENT RESULTS FROM THE FIRST CERTIFICATE CAMBRIDGE DIPLOMAS

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2009 in Zlatarski School, the diplomas from the FCE (first Certificate in English) exam of Cambridge were given. All 24 candidates have shown high results. Six of them are with grade A, eleven with B and seven with a result

C. Mrs. Kardasheva commented on the results as excellent proof for completion of the level. She hopes for such great results on the exams this year too. She emphasized the great professional work of Mrs. Angelova, whom we can thank for these

results. The next step is the course for Advanced Certificate in English.

### NB

- Six A-graders.
- Mrs. Angelova managed to motivate the students and prove to them that if they work hard there is nothing they can't achieve.



Students and teachers took part in the wild geranium planting

## WORLD SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT WEEK ZLATARSKI SCHOOL DID NOT STAY INDIFFERENT!

Between the 19<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of October "Sustainable development week" took place at Zlatarski School. On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October students gathered to support the world's initiative to decrease of the level of harmful emissions in the atmosphere. The activity took place under the motto "350-because the world needs to know".

The number 350 represents the level of harmful emissions which we are aiming to achieve. In contrary circumstances incorrigible climate changes could be reached. At the mo-

ment this level is at 385.92. The initiative included the planting of wild geranium, in the shape of the number 350. Students as well as some teachers of the school participated actively. The project was put into practice by the guidance of Miss L. Dombeva, biologist (ref: Interview with Miss Dombeva on page 3). The image can be seen in the small garden between the two school buildings. The participants were photographed in the background of the illustration and the picture will go in for a competition in a world forum, supporting the initiation. Besides

our students, the project was also patronized by many citizens. On Saturday morning many enthusiasts gathered in front of the pylons of NDK, where they wrote the number with cups and many hopes and smiles. All students expressed their sincere desire that the aim of the project will not remain without progress, but will transform into a dream that will become realized!

## UNIVERSITY APPLICATION TIME!

Career Counseling  
Centre  
IB Coordination  
Office

As of this year Zlatarski School is a member of the large academic family of UCAS. For those of you who are not familiar with this institution, UCAS is the organization responsible for managing applications to higher education courses in the UK. Each year there are more than two million applications

for full-time undergraduate courses through this system. What is worth noting is that UCAS facilitates students to find the right course. The useful access to this system, the competent know-how and experience of the consultants in the Career Counseling Centre (the IB Office) and the administering of a psycho-

logical profile for each student, facilitates the informed choice of Zlatarski students, the on-time application process and the decrease of unnecessary levels of stress.

## NOVEMBER DEADLINES INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM



**12 IB**  
5th November:  
*Draft II of Historical Investigation Assignment Due*  
16th November:  
*Draft I World Literature Assignment Due*

23rd November:  
*Economics Portfolio Commentary III Due*  
27th November:  
*TOK Essays Final Due*

**11 IB**  
10th November:  
*Extended Essay TOK session*  
15th November:  
*Progress check*

## TEACHER PROFILE

THIS WEEK WE HAVE THE PLEASURE TO PRESENT MS LYUBOV DOMBEVA, TEACHER IN BIOLOGY

### Why Biology?

L. D.: I had really inspiring teachers. Biology has always attracted me. I joined the "Biology Club" in High school. Describe yourself in three words...

L. D.: Nuts, enthusiastic, optimist. (laughing)

You and Mr Kanev organized the Sustainable Development Week. What was the idea and are you happy with the results?

L.D.: I'm content! The English teachers, the colleagues teaching geography, Physics and Bulgarian Language joined the

cause! The aim was for all the classes to realize how important it is to have sustainable development, to use the resources we've got without exhausting them. I didn't want to be the only person, who talks about these things. We wanted to focus on sustainable development this week and I think it all went fine. When, on Friday, we planted the wild geranium we all knew why we were doing it. Is there anything interesting about you that you want to share?

D: I love dancing salsa.

Do you prefer working with teens or with adults?

L.D: It is more amusing to work with teenagers. I love my job, it's great fun in school! I try to make every day a nice day.

Do you want to make a statement to the readers?

L.D: We need paper recycling projects! This applies to every class!



## FIRST IMPRESSIONS: AN 8TH GRADER AT ZLATARSKI SCHOOL MARY PENCHEVA, 8B

My first month as an 8<sup>th</sup>-grader at Zlatarski School is wonderful. Honestly I feel like I have known my classmates for years. I really admire the teachers because they are professionals and they have high criteria and a lot of requirements. The older students

are very sympathetic. Every time I ask one of them for help I get a competent response accompanied with a friendly smile. I think there is good organization.

For now there is nothing that has made a bad impression. I hope this will remain so for a long time.

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## CHILL OUT ZONE

*The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will.*

Vince Lombardi

Before he died, kniaz Alexander was asked:

- "Do you deny the devil?"

He looked at them with one eye and replied:

- "Now is not the moment to make myself enemies!"

And he died.

Two friends are having an argument

- "There are mushrooms that can be eaten and others that can't"

- "No! All of them can be eaten but some just once..."



And remember that every moment gives you a new opportunity to smile!

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If you are studying at Zlatarski School!  
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at writing articles... YOU can join our  
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Counselor & Editor of Zlatarski School  
Newsletter



**EDITORIAL**

Anna Joukivskaia, Editor

Dear teachers, students and parents! You have in front of you the Zlatarski School Newsletter – a monthly edition, reflecting the topics of the day, news on previous and upcoming activities and useful “extracurricular” information. We will be offering advice from students to students and will be looking for the “human story” behind the teachers. I wish to thank Elena-Aurora, Alexandra & Marieta (10a class), Lorin, Slavena, Magdalena& Katia (10v class) and Mary Pencheva (8b class), who put a lot of effort into making this first issue interesting and useful and who will continue to look for and write about interesting events.

It is not up to chance that the first issue is coming out before the Day of the Bulgarian Revival Leaders! We would like this Newsletter to awaken in you not only curiosity about the world around you, but also the knowledge that you are part of a successful and respectable

Institution which has proven itself in the academic spheres nationwide and worldwide.

See you next issue!

P.S. Feel free to send us your comments, feedback and ideas to the school’s email address!

**HOW TO PROTECT OURSELVES FROM ILLNESS?**



As you might have already heard, seen or even experienced, this is the season of all kinds of infections and viruses. But this is not caused by the severe cold outside as you may think. On the contrary. The cold kills the bacteria so we should open the windows at school during breaks. We should also take care of ourselves and others around us. You shouldn’t ignore even the slightest hint that there is a problem with your health. Consult

the school nurse and your GP whenever you don’t feel well. Furthermore, it is recommended that you stay at home so your classmates don’t have to come in contact with someone sick.

The other opportunity is to hope that we will get a short holiday until the flu passes but until then, drink more hot drinks, eat a lot of fruits, take additional vitamin C and wear warm clothes. Protect yourself and others around you!

**SCHOOL NURSE  
1ST FLOOR,  
BUILDING D1**

