



# BRAIN

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# WAVE

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BRAIWAWE!

When our English teacher Zinfira Madiyarovna asked «Does our school have its own Russian newspaper?» «Yes,» - we answered. «And where is the English one?»

It was the beginning of the exciting path of «Brainwave» creativity. The start was hard, but today among numerous success of our newspaper there are 10 editions with significant news, cognitive articles, amazing contests and riddles, funny English jokes. But it is not the limit to our possibilities, we have huge creative potential. And this potential is in each of you! That's why we invite everyone to join our undertaking.

Our class congratulates «Brainwave» and especially Zinfira Madiyarovna who came up with this genius idea to organize English newspaper and Lyudmila Frolova - our classmate who brought it to life.

**Grateful for your difficult work, 11 «A»**

I remember the day when the first issue of the school newspaper appeared in our school. It was super! Our own English newspaper! There are puzzles, rebuses, which are interesting for different ages. Besides, there are articles devoted to significant ages of our country, it helps us to broaden our mind. Moreover, there is a section with English humour. Each of us can be a reporter and write something that let pupils open their hidden talents. If you think of learning as a journalist in the future you should join our school newspaper. We wish you intellectual readers and creativity, wonderful articles.

**With best wishes, Rodion, 11 «B».**

## Hello dear friends!

It's been a year since we started our newspaper. I didn't know anything about how to publish it but there was a strong will to do it. The aim was to unite pupils of our school behind this brainchild, reveal hidden talents for writing. I appreciate every help in this difficult way and would like to pay tribute to the great contribution that the following pupils have made to the success of the newspaper. They are: Vasilisa Vakhrusheva (9B), Zhanna Kvitko (9B), Alexander Firsov (9A), Veronika Sidorova (6B), Catherine Antonova (11A), Catherine Pekush (10A), Ruslan Guseinov (10A), Ksenia Ivanova (6A), Egor Markelov (10A), Andrei Kogan (9A). I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank our teachers: Klementyeva E.V., Moskvina M.V., Kosareva S.V., Tulupova L.D.

***P.S. on the 2nd of March I invite both pupils and teachers to celebrate our first birthday.***

***Place - classroom №18***

***Time -13.30***

**Yours Zinfira Madiyarovna  
Gilmanova**

*We congratulate our favourite school paper «Brainwave» with its first birthday. We wish it prosperity and further development. We are thankful for all people who create it and write articles every month!*

**Form 9 «A»**

## An Unusual Traveller

Can you imagine a man crossing the world on the bicycle? On January, 20 Turkish traveler Gurkan Gene, who is currently travelling around the world by bike, arrived in Saint Petersburg having covered 5 000 km of his epic journey. He was greatly impressed by our city's amazing architecture.

Gene embarked on his trip on September, 9 2012 from Ankara and plans to complete it in 7 year's time, after visiting 84 countries and pedaling about 110 000 km. His ride will take him through 5 deserts and 5 of the planet's tallest peaks, the longest and most dangerous paths.

Before arriving in Russia Gene crossed Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania, Moldova and Ukraine. "I didn't run away from anyone, I was chasing a dream – there is a great world, and it can be crossed," – said he.

And what dream do you have? Are you going to put it into practice some day?

**Alexander Firsov, 9 «A»**



## On the 30th of January there were held “The labyrinths of science” among 8-11 classes.

Pupils from different schools came to our school to take part in this competition. They presented their own investigations to the audience. In our section № 38 there were only 5 participants including me and Nastya. All the works shown on the conference are worth being mentioned. They affected important and interesting themes. There were researches about Saint-Petersburg and its sister-city in Florida, mysterious history of England and Russia, the tragedy of 11.09 and the ecological state of Sochi before 2014.

Our work was dedicated to such exciting theme as the ideas of peace, freedom and social protest in creations of rock-music. The audience listened very attentively and asked a lot of

**Catherine Antonova, 11 «A»**

*Happy Birthday! Wishing you all the best on your special day! We hope you will make us happy with your interesting and cognitive editions! We also wish you creative development and prosperity! From Lisa Komarova, Lisa Koshina, Vanya Chenevko, Vanya Petrov, Polina Rymshina, Roma Plaksin, Vika Smirnova, Alexey Shumeyko, George Supatashwili and Efim Stolberg (all our German group).*

**With love, 9 «B»**

*You are one year and we love you. We wish you more news, more readers, we hope you won't stop developing and your news will always be excellent.*

*From Marina, Vasilisa, VA, Anastasia, Helen, with love*

## Peter and Febronia holiday vs. 14 February



On February, 14 beloved people all over the world celebrate St. Valentine's Day. They give each other flowers, sweets, toys and special cards.

Anyway, not many of you know that we have our own Russian analog of this day – Peter and Febronia holiday which is celebrated on July, 8. The prehistory of this holiday is an old Russian story about the love of noble prince Peter and wise maiden Febronia. They lived in Murom on the 13th century and there were a lot of obstacles

to their love: they were from different estates. However, in spite of all the difficulties they stayed together till their death in the same day, on 8 July 1228. Later Peter and Febronia were canonized. Since 2008 the holiday of Peter and Febronia has become the All-Russian day of family, love and loyalty. This day reminds us of the values which are eternal from Early Russian times to the Present.

Catherine Antonova, 11 «A»

## Teen worries

According to a survey conducted among British teens, the top ten thing they hate about being teenagers are:

- Spots
- School
- Lack of pocket money
- Exams
- Being treated like a kid
- Being bossed around
- No independence
- No rights
- Parent angst
- Lack of respect

**And what worries you? And why?**

## Pure Logic

### The Two Sisters

One day, two sisters decided to clean out the attic of their house. When they had finished, one of them had a dirty face and the other had a clean face. The sister with the clean face went and washed her face but the girl with the dirty face didn't wash herself. **Can you explain why?**

### The Portrait

Looking at a portrait, a man said: "Brothers and sisters have I none. But that man's father is my father's son."

**Whose portrait is it?**

### The Parrot

"I guarantee," said the pet-shop salesman, "that this parrot will repeat every word it hears." A customer bought the parrot but found it would not speak a single word. Nevertheless, the salesman told the truth.

**Do you know why?**

*Happy Birthday, our lovely school newspaper! We wish you to remain such an interesting issue, more fresh ideas and new readers, new sensations, more those who wish to write for your newspaper.*

**Form 6 «A»**



*The world is so full  
of a number of things,  
I'm sure we should all be  
as happy as kings.  
R.L. Stevenson*

## English Humour

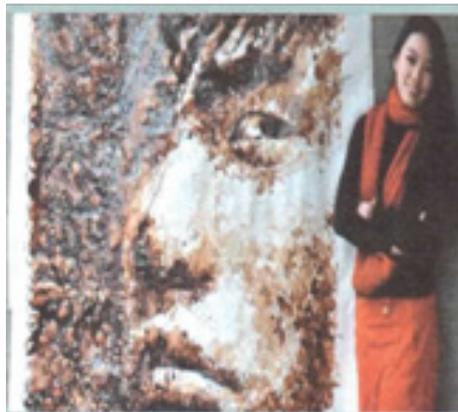
### Love Survey



According to a survey which was carried out in February to mark St Valentine's Day, 79% of Russians believe they have experienced true love. 56% said they had fallen in love only once, 18% that they had done it several times, and 5% that they had been in love many times. 15% confessed that they had never been in love at all. The remaining 6% refused to answer questions about their love lives.

### Wake up and Paint with the Coffee

Hong Yi, from Malaysia, has used Nescafe coffee to paint a Taiwanese song-writer Jay Chou after becoming "inspired" by one of his songs. "The opening line is about a coffee cup being lifted off the saucer, which is why I've used coffee in my project", she said. She has also experimented with other things to create artwork-sunflower seeds, chilli, paste, and basketballs.



### Things Not to Worry About

Chronic worriers often worry about not having something to worry about.

There are two days in the week on which I never worry: one is yesterday and the other is tomorrow.

One man decided to put a marble in a vase for each worry during the year. At the end of the year, he had quite a collection of marbles, but he couldn't remember what worry even one of them represented.

### How to Be Annoying

Change channels five minutes before the end of every show.

Ask the waitress for an extra seat for your "imaginary friend".

Make appointments for the 31st of December.

*We congratulate our wonderful newspaper on its first birthday. We hope the news will be the same interesting. Dear newspaper «Brainwave», during the year we have been reading and following your articles. The whole 8 «A» congratulates you on your 1st birthday! We hope that you will print more and more interesting stories!*

**Best wishes, 8 «A».**