



# BRAIN

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# WAVE

## School News

We wish you nice Maslenitsa!



The most characteristic food of Maslenitsa is bliny, activities - snowball fights, plenty of sleigh rides, besides, one day for the sons-in-law to visit their parents-in-law, another day for visiting the godparents, etc. On Sunday evening, Lady Maslenitsa is stripped of her finery and put to the flames of a bonfire. Then comes "Forgiveness Sunday", indicating the desire for God's forgiveness. After that is Clean Monday, because everyone has confessed their sins, asked forgiveness, and begun Great Lent with a clean slate.

## World News

20 years of Broadcasting

*Do you recognize this label?*



**Euronews** is the leading international news channel covering world news from a European perspective. Launched in 1993, Euronews today transcribes reality objectively and with complete integrity, provide viewers with facts and nothing but the facts.

### Elected New Pope

The Argentine Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was elected as the new pope. He becomes the first Latin American, as well as the first Jesuit leader of the Catholic Church.

## Hello dear friends!

Two conferences were held in January, 30 and February, 15 in our school. They revealed a problem of presented works: not all of them included a research. I hope that pupils as well as teachers will work on it harder, and we will see the results next year. However, I would like to mention about the skill of public speaking. According to statistic, 90% of people have fear of making speech which is, in fact, baseless. Abraham Lincoln considered rhetoric the most important thing in the managing of the state. He thought his arguments and possible tricky questions over very carefully. His favourite book was Ueclid's', how to attract audience's attention. If you want to be successful you should train yourself to strike people with your perfect speech and manner of presentation. I think everything is in your power.

**Zinfira Madiyarovna  
Gilmanova**

## Tea Party at school

On the 2 of March the co-workers of “Brainwave” arranged a tea - party. This meeting was devoted to the 1-year-anniversary of the English newspaper. We all worked a lot and it was like a reward for us.



We have already written about our achievements and now we'd like to tell you about our future plans which we discussed during this event. Firstly, we are going to improve all the spheres of the newspaper. What is more, the film about it where our pupils are acting will be produced soon! You'll be able to watch it on our school site.

I would also like to mention that Ludmila Frolova, our organizer, is already finishing the 11th form and

that's why she will pass the guidance of “Brainwave” to another person - Tatiana Kuleshova – next year.

We all wish Tanya good luck and hope that “Brainwave” will continue to work and develop.

**P.S. We announce a contest for the best illustration on your favourite book. Bring your pictures into the Room # 18.**

**Antonova Catherine, 11 «A»**

## A Fairy tale for 10 days

In February a group of our pupils from our school, me included, went to “Zerkalniy”. This camp is surrounded by picturesque forest and there is a big lake nearby. This wonderful view is significantly combined with legends and mysterious stories which “live” there.

While spending time in this amazing place we also attended two schools: “The School of Happiness” and “The School of Leaders”. We got lots of good and excellent marks and learned how to work in a team as well as developed skills which are necessary for real leaders.

Besides, we celebrated St.Valentine's Day and watched theatre performances prepared by our friends from other groups. We didn't have any time to be bored! Every minute we were extremely busy were it discos, concerts, group discussions or games. Each day we tried to create something great and new. Moreover, our friendship grew from day to day.

“Zerkalniy” has become a real family for us! The atmosphere of love, friendship and support made us feel like brothers and sisters. That is why saying goodbye was too hard. However, I hope to return there as a supervisor.

I would recommend everybody to visit “Zerkalniy” because I am absolutely sure that you won't find such a place like this anywhere!



## The Gosling and others

On Wednesday 27th February we had an opportunity to watch an interesting fairytale play called "The Gosling". This performance was about Alyonka and her Gosling. One day an evil Red Fox stole Alyonka's Gosling. Alyonka tried to save her lovely friend. While she was looking for Gosling, a funny House elf and a brave Hedgehog were helping her. Thanks to House elf's magic basket, producing different animal sounds, they all together made cunning Fox go away and saved little Gosling. We all think this performance was very amusing and funny. We were pleased with the fact that we were not just spectators but also took part in the performance helping to save Gosling. We made sounds of hunter's horns, cows, sheep, dogs and chickens. We spent a great time and enjoyed the performance greatly. We wish we could watch such plays more often. Besides, we don't mind taking part in preparing such kind of performances by ourselves because we all are mad about tales and acting. We advise everybody to watch this performance.

## TRANSLATION OF ENGLISH POEM



*The winner of the contest for the best translation conducted by the Future Leaders' American Corner*

### Spring Pools

Robert Lee Frost

Ещё синеют лужицы в лесах  
Покоем, что царит на небесах,  
Но возле них уже дрожат  
устало  
Цветы и смерть готовятся  
принять.  
Придёт черёд, когда водою  
талой  
Деревья смогут корни напитать.

Набухнут почки, листья на  
весу  
Раскинут вскоре тень свою  
в лесу.  
О переменах думает едва ли  
Природа, но, помедлив, иногда,  
Она, быть может, вспомнит,  
как дрожали  
Цветы, синела талая вода.

**Trofimov Maksim, 6A**

## Riddles

It is not very big,  
But it hangs in the middle of the  
room.  
In the day-time nobody wants it,  
But at night everyone needs it.

Who is very long and thin  
with a big and heavy head?

. These two brothers  
Live not very far apart;  
One on the left,  
One on the right;  
But they never see each other.

It always beats and hops;  
It never sleeps or stops;  
Life-long we don't part  
With our little...

What is it when you once lose  
it you can never find it again?

Name something that can  
sing and has eight legs.

What is it which works when  
it plays, and plays when it  
works?

### Answers on question of Brainwave 10:

#### The two sisters

After they had done the  
cleaning, they had no mirror  
to look in, so each girl looked  
at her sister. The girl with a  
clean face saw that her sister  
was dirty, so she thought she  
was dirty too and washed her  
face. The other girl thought  
the opposite.

#### The Parrot

The parrot was deaf.



*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

### Irina Yuryevna invites you...



When some guests come to our school they are always surprised by the large amount of children's drawings on the walls. These are our exhibitions. There are several of them in our school and each one is dedicated to a special theme. Now, for example, you can see some examples devoted to Saint-Petersburg, to the battle of Borodino, to the natural beauty and to the road safety rules.

The exhibitions exist thanks to our teacher of painting and drawing Irina Yurievna. She has made a lot to beatify our school.

Pupils' works are really fascinating and some of them amaze by their professionalism and unusual idea. For the pity, the exhibitions are rarely renewed. If you are found of drawing you have an ability to apply your talent and to make the school better. Our newspaper offers you to take part in a creative competition. You need to make an illustration to your favourite book or film. It may be everything you want: a landscape, a portrait, a genre picture, etc. So, good luck to you.

**Catherine Antonova, 11 «А»**

“Jessie, I have told you again and again not to speak when older persons are talking but wait until they stop.” “I have tried that already, mamma. They never do stop.”

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A school teacher who had been telling a class of small pupils the story of the discovery of America by Columbus ended with: “And all this happened more than 400 years ago.” A little boy, his eyes wide open with wonder, said after a moment's thought: “Gee! What a memory you've got.”

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Teacher: “Didn't Jimmy Green help you do this sum?”

Willie: “No'm.”

Teacher: “Are you sure he didn't help you?”

Willie: “No'm, he didn't help me, he did it all.”

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The visitor was examining the class. “Can you, little boy, tell me a fish-net is made of?” he inquired. “A lot of little holes tied together with strings,” smiled the never-failing bright boy.