

PROJECT WORK IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Abstract:

Elementary school Žetale is involved in a number of different projects. One of them was an annual international project called Comenius. The program was focussed on A HEALTHIER WORLD-IMPROVING OUR ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTHIER, ACTIVE LIFESTYLES. Children who participated in activities focused on basic problems of learning motivation, key skills of language learning, greater literacy, science learning, development of creativity and innovation, digital education, improving school management, developing their knowledge and understanding of European cultural and linguistic diversity as well as acquiring new life skills.

Our children visited schools in England, Germany, and Italy, and carried out a number of activities to take care of our environment and lifestyle. We have also carried out a project day, where we designed things from the waste material, under the name FROM OLD TO NEW. We managed to demonstrate that the waste material like plastic bottles, cardboards, boxes, plastic bags, useless socks, wool, remains of goods, stuffed toys etc., which usually lands in the trash bins, is very useful and can be processed over and over again. Children have made different products, like board games, didactic tools, toadstools, trucks, models of our planet, fashion accessories, art sculptures, fabric animals, decorative folders, balls made of stuffed toys, sea animals, plastic flowers etc. Throughout creating new products children have developed positive attitudes to environment, manual skills and creativity.

At the end of the day we evaluated products and displayed them in our school lobby.

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