

# Piali Ashar Alo School

## September – December 2022

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This time we come back to you with some glimpses of the last few months. We believe that at this time you too are looking back on the past year, which undoubtedly brought many blessings, even in disguise ;)

### **1. TRIP TO KOLKATA**



The Round Table India organization invited us to a mega-event where more than 3,000 children, who came from many non-governmental organizations, participated. Children competed in drawing; the event was enhanced by music and, of course, good food. Each child received a gift package with a drawing pad and crayons. It was a special day for our children, also because we went to the city together by bus. It is true that we were a bit sick,



but that is why we sang different Hindi and Bengali songs even louder.

### **2. COOPERATION WITH THE SLOVENIAN EMBASSY IN INDIA**

"Our future can also be bright" was a virtual event organized by the Slovenian Embassy in India. Through the story told by Mrs. Seema Wahi Mukherjee, our girls thought about the uniqueness of each individual, the talents that each of us has, and how these differences can connect us and encourage us to be more creative. Since they were guided by a bee through the imaginative story, we ended up making them.



Sincere thanks to the wonderful storyteller Ms. Seema, Ms. Ljubica Pevec Daruwala for the initiative and Ms. Ambassador Mateja Vodeb Ghosh for her support.



### **3. END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR**



Two years without regular classes had a strong impact on our girls. The gaps in knowledge are large, a lot of what has already been learned has been forgotten, because they live in an environment where home studying is not a habit. It was necessary to get used to the school rules, studying and homework again. The girls are very happy to be able to come to school, where they feel safe, loved and appreciated, but their learning motivation is poor. We are trying to navigate through these challenges and we are always looking for approaches to help the girls in the best possible way. We look forward to every bit of progress.

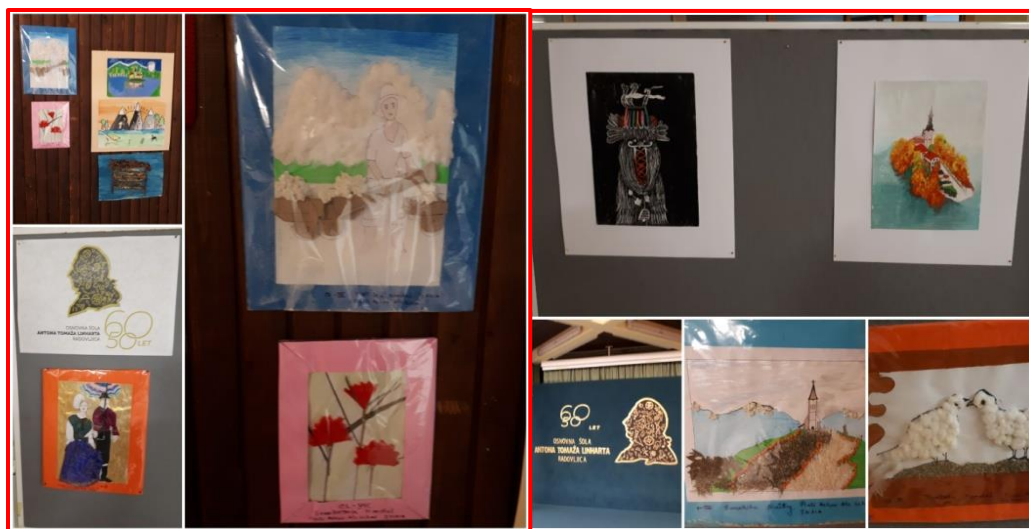
### **4. IN THE GARDEN BETWEEN VEGETABLES AND FLOWERS**





Our school environment comes alive in the most beautiful colors especially in winter, when the temperatures and the sun allow the flower plants to bloom. We plant cauliflower, cabbage, carrots, eggplants and spinach in our vegetable garden. We try to get children as involved as possible in taking care of the garden and the school surrounding.

## **5.INTERNATIONAL ART COMPETITION**



To celebrate the school's 50th anniversary, the Anton Tomaž Linhart Primary School in Radovljica, Slovenia organized its first International Art Competition LINKART –

CONNECTED THROUGH ART, subtitled “Natural and Cultural Heritage of Slovenia”. Art products from as many as 14 countries were on display at the final exhibition. In their products, our girls showed the Slovenian traditional costume, the vine, Slovenian carnation, Secovlje salt works, doves and a church.

## **6. ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**



Our dear Katja continued with the online German course for four of our girls this year as well. If any of you can contribute to her payment, we will be very grateful.

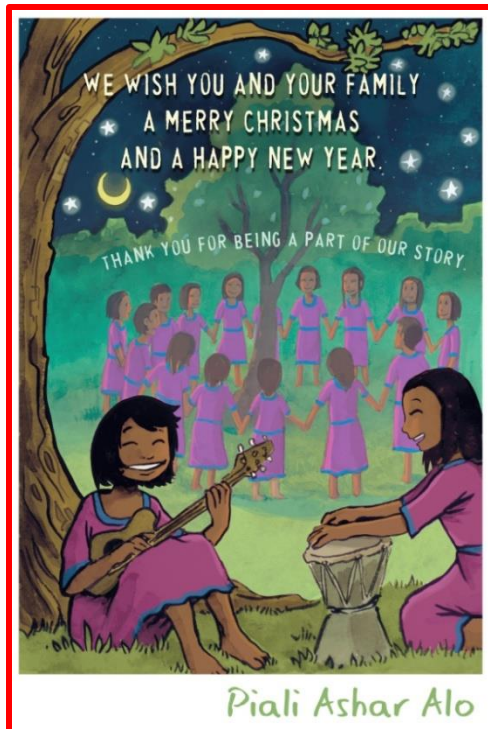
The tailoring course is very well attended, where female students learn to cut and sew traditional Indian clothes.

Under the tutelage of teacher Jennifer, Sanchita and Susmita have become real little pianists.

Matthew and Maja teach guitar, and our local teachers teach our girls how to play the violin, harmonium and sing.



## **7. CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR**



We conjured up the Christmas atmosphere with the decoration of the school, and above all with our Christmas program, where there was no shortage of Christmas carols, dancing, and delicious Christmas cake. This was a happy end of the year, now a few days of vacation before we start the New Year.



**We wish you pleasant holidays and all the best in the New Year. Thank you that you have been writing our story together with us again this year.**

***Your Piali Ashar Alo Family***

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