A close-up photograph of several autumn leaves in shades of orange, yellow, and red. The leaves are in sharp focus, showing their intricate vein patterns. The background is a soft, out-of-focus bokeh of similar colors.

Enjoy

English

A photograph of a forest path in autumn. The path is covered in a thick layer of fallen red and orange leaves. Tall, thin trees with similar foliage line the path, creating a canopy of warm colors. The lighting is soft, suggesting a misty or overcast day.

with us



*Autumn...and what now?* Summer has ended. All the warm days are gone. Seasonal depression is coming and all the beautiful happy days have disappeared. People are getting more tired and sad as the time changes. Dark and cold nights are approaching. Nature is falling asleep or even dying. The weather ..... We pray for all our passed-away family members and friends, get together and celebrate things we accomplished in the past. And if nothing makes us happy anymore, try to appreciate little things. All the warm cups of tea you are able to drink in the morning, the cold wind on your cheeks, warm clothes you must wear and love and affection that your family gives you.

It's hard I know but it is going to be better. We are all humans and we are here for one another. Remember that you only live once and not for too long

Tell the people you love that you love them, do the things you've always wanted to do and don't let anyone to bring you down. It's not worth the time.

Lucia Dekrétová, 8.A class



# Why I love autumn

I have a lot of favourite autumn activities, for example going out with my dog. It is beautiful because nature has got a lot of colours. My dog loves playing with leaves and he is very happy when he can chase them. I like when the wind blows yellow and orange leaves. It is amazing. I like when these colourful leaves are floating on the water surface. I like flying a kite, too.

**Nina Končalová, 8.B class**

Autumn is a fairytale season. It's the most colourful season of the year. I like going out for a long walk. I like to watch storms from my room window. I also like when the wind blows down leaves from trees.

**Beáta Mokra, 8.B class**





# Why I love autumn

Fall is really a pretty time of the year. Everything is so colourful. All leaves are coloured so interestingly. Sometimes they even make a colourful picture. And the windy days are actually really relaxing, too. When the cold breeze brushes against your cheeks and skin. It is the most beautiful feeling ever. I also don't mind rainy days. You know, just playing around in the rain and just jump in it. It's so relaxing. Or just sitting inside your warm home with a comfortable blanket around you with a cup of tea, just watching raindrops going down the window and listening to their beat. Oh, and the fresh air after those cold rains mixed with the smell of wet leaves or wind playing with those dry leaves. It's such an amazing sound! I don't mind going to school in this season. It is really beautiful, so a little con like going to school doesn't really bother me.

In conclusion, fall is the best season for me. It is also the best season to clear your mind so please enjoy it!

Kristína Candráková, 9.B

class





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# Autumn Festivals in the World

## **HALLOWEEN – the USA**

Halloween is on 31st of October. Festival is more than 2000 years old. At Halloween people decorate their houses and children all dress up to scary costumes .They knock on their neighbours' doors and say "Trick or treat". And they usually give children some sweets.

## **DIWALI - India**

At Diwali people decorate the house with ragnol ipatterns and lamps called diya. In the morning people put on their best clothes and say their prayers. In the evening they watch the Diwali procession. Diwali is in October or November.

## **BONFIRE NIGHT – the United Kingdom**

The Bonfire is on a field near church. People stand near the bonfire and eat hod dogs and toffee apples. Bonfire Nightis on 5th of November.

## **THANKSGIVING – Canada and the USA**

Thanksgiving is a day of giving thanks and sacrifice for the blessing of the harvest and of the preceding year.

Thanksgiving is celebrated on the second Monday of October in Canada and on the 4th Thursday of November in the USA.



## **DIA DE LOS MUERTOS – Mexico**

People in Mexico celebrate this festival on the 1st and the 2nd of November. They go to cemeteries and decorate the graves with flowers, candles and pictures of the dead people. They also place their favourite food and drinks there. At night, people go to the streets, dressed in scary costumes, and there is the walking parade across the town. People dance to the music of the bands.

**Nina Bednárová, 7.B class**



# The Green School Project

Two years ago I became a member of GREEN SCHOOL. It is a worldwide project that wants to make our planet better. Many schools in Slovakia are also involved in this project. The team at our school consists of seven volunteers who meet almost every day after school. We discuss various possibilities of solving pollution problems in our country.

This summer we started to chat with the Czech school that is also active in Green school project. Their school has taken the project to another level as they breed animals there. Although we don't breed animals at our school, we have a "pathway of feelings". It is a pathway in which you have different materials laid on the ground. To feel the uniqueness of the materials, you have to walk through it barefoot. Further, we have our herb garden. We made it two years ago with the help of our teacher and the project leader Mrs. Šišovská. Kids can come and pick strawberries, lavender, and some other herbs. The last thing we've created, is the "Insect Street". That is basically a long path with insect hotels and bird feeders.

Our hard work has paid off as we we've been rewarded with a Green flag that only schools involved in this project can receive. We are very proud of this award. Moreover, we feel that every little action helps our planet with healing of the wounds that people have caused with their ignorant and selfish behaviour.

**Alexander Bono Novický, 8.A class**





The Green School - Look what we have accomplished!



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## My bunny

My bunny's name is Choco. She is a female, maybe a Holland Lop.

Her coat is brown, her belly is like a caramel and her paws are brown and white. Her eyes are brown. She is shy and scared, but with cuddles and love she's brave. She loves apples, carrots and hay. I even give her grapes.

She had a wooden ball with a bell in it. But she broke it and now she's angry at me. I'll buy her a new one for Christmas. She even has a harness and leash.

She loves walks at our park. Little children from kindergarten love her. Mothers with kids always ask me if they can pet her. I always smile and say: "Sure." Choco loves to be pet. I love my bunny.

Petra Buchová, 6.A class





Photo by Petra Buchová



## The story of a holiday surprise

By Petra Jenisová, 7.B

„So, Amy, can you come?“ It is at 3 pm. I was so excited.

My birthday party was in the garden. The garden was full of balloons, garlands. On the tables were vases with flowers, cookies and juice.

I was wearing a beautiful white dress with volants. I looked really well with a curled hair and comfortable white ballerinas. I came out with my birthday cake. Everybody was looking at me.

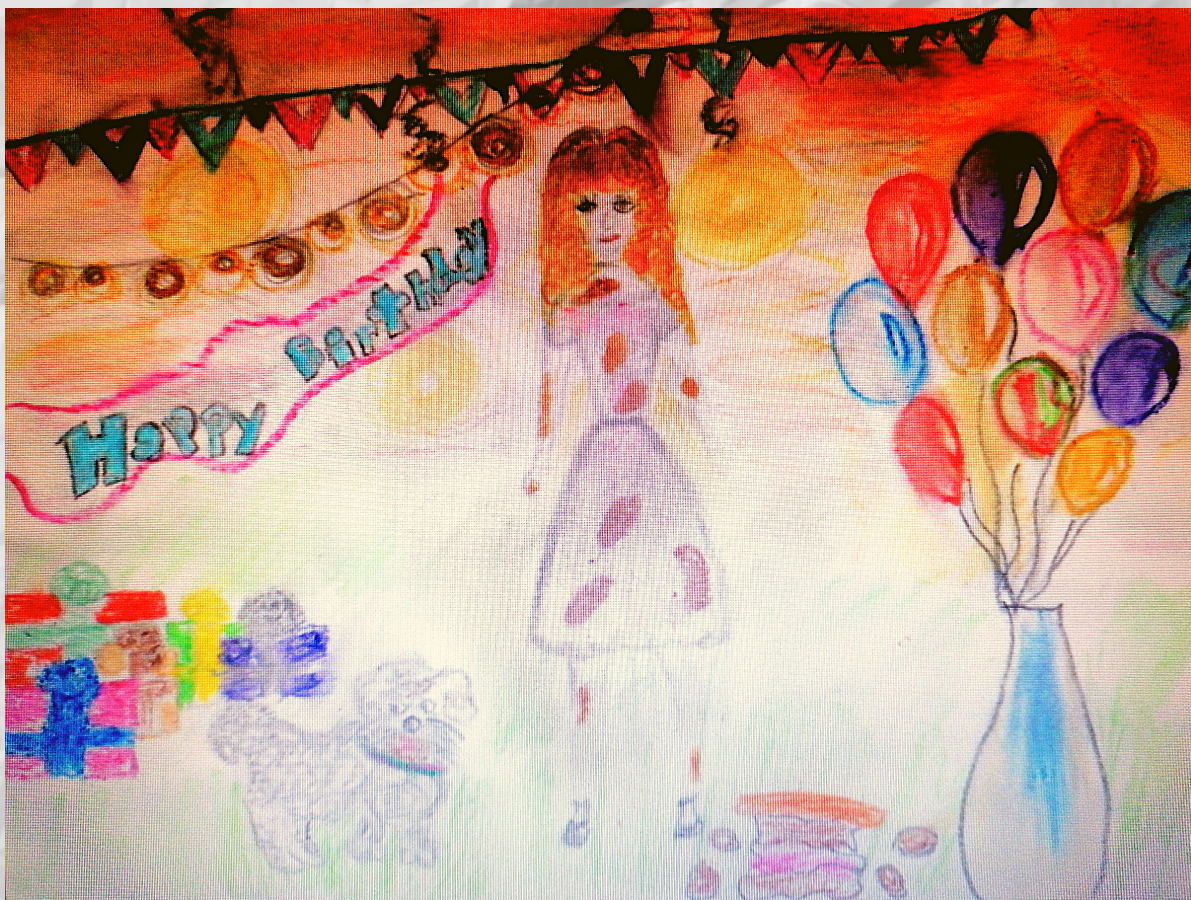
Suddenly I felt a small breeze behind my back.

Max, my fluffy dog appeared on the scene. He was sniffing the lawn and when he saw me, he stopped for a while and then I saw him running towards me.

"Nooooo!" I cried out when he jumped on me. I was lying on the grass, the cake was lying on my beautiful white dress and finally, there was Max eating the chocolate cake from my dress.

I think that was the worst birthday present I have ever got. However, Max is still my best pet-friend.:)





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