



**SLOVENSKÝ VÝBOR SVETOVEJ ORGANIZÁCIE
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Institutions National Committee worked with:

- regional, national, and local governments - preparing and commenting on legislative processes

Programmes or projects in which the National Committee has been involved with the institutions:

- Škola priateľská deťom - Child Friendly School: is a programme of the Slovak Foundation for UNICEF. By participating in the programme the school receives a certificate of CHILD-FRIENDLY SCHOOL, which is a sign that the school is responsive to the needs of children.
- Malý šéfkuchár bez čapice - Little Chef without a hat- consultation and education to support the fight against obesity in pre-school children.
- Zelená škola - Green School: an educational programme that aims to contribute to preventing and solving environmental problems and to bring real change to schools. There are seven themes that schools choose and work on for 2 school years - Water, Waste, Energy, Food, Green Procurement and Officialdom, Greenery and Nature Conservation, Transport and Air.
- Zdravý chrbátik - Healthy back: the primary goal is to start children's desire to exercise in a positive and playful way, to build a positive relationship with exercise equipment and to focus on the comprehensive strengthening of their spine
- Training centres Consultation in the development and preparation of training offers for teachers

Knowledge Management activities carried out by the National Committee during 2023:

- members carry out refresher training in the conditions of their own kindergartens, which is prepared on the basis of their needs and interest.
- members participate in various continuing education events at local and national level based on the needs and focus of the kindergartens: prescribing and pre-reading literacy, pedagogical diagnosis, mathematical, financial and linguistic literacy, inclusive education and information and communication technology.

Activities and projects developed in relation to the right to play and play in the ECCE during 2023:

- we celebrated this day with individual, group and collective games directly in the kindergartens, children with their parents at home and also in wider groups through interest groups outside the kindergartens. On this day, free and spontaneous play prevailed among the children, even with their own toys that they brought from home to the kindergartens
- on the occasion of World Games Day and International Children's Day (1 June) we decided to organize a humanitarian collection under the name "A suitcase of toys to Africa" in cooperation with ToyLibraries Slovakia, which we founded in March 2023. 28 kindergartens from all over Slovakia took part in the project. Each class put in the suitcase a letter of recognition, children's paintings and photos of the class. We collected 39 suitcases full of toys and educational material. On October 6, 2023, 5 suitcases went to Mbale in Uganda. We were also approached by the international organization ADRA Slovakia, who took 6 suitcases to Kampala, the capital of Uganda, as volunteers. Each one suitcase was donated to a kindergarten.

National commemorations during 2023:

- **02. 04. International Children's Book Day**
"Afternoon with a book" - reading a picture book created together by children and the teacher, creating children's books, visiting libraries with children, dramatizing stories and creating illustrations for the stories, buying new book titles.

- **07. 04. Health Day**
colourful health week, candy-free week, letters and information on notice boards for parents, tasting healthy spreads and meals.
- **15. 04. Arts Day**
Verbal and visual interpretations of important works by Slovak and foreign authors. Visit to the nature gallery.
- **22. 04. Earth Day**
Recycle train, Edible plates - energy saving in the Kindergarten. Art in nature (land-art) - painting from living flowers. Garbage collection and cleaning of the surroundings of the Kindergarten and nature. Mandalas from natural plants.
- **10. 05. World Movement Day**
Movement and sports activities in kindergartens and nearby. Traditional public stage compositions or competitions are gradually being organised.
- **15. 05. World Family Day**
"Family Day" took place in kindergartens in individual classes or school-wide events or in public - children made a gift for their parents and learned poems and songs about the family.
- **16. - 20. 05.**
Zumba practice outdoors, Mini golf with parents
- **23. 09. - 30. 09. European Week of Sport**
Daily sports mornings during the week, cycling to the Kindergarten, overcoming a non-traditional obstacle course and circle games.
- **04. 11. "Kindergarten Day in Slovakia"**
Celebration of children in kindergartens - educational games, activities, competitions, sports games, music and movement games, dances, kindergarten anthem. Conversations with children, creation of poems, art works. Public appearances, promotion of the day in the streets by joint marches.

Education

- members of OMEP reformed seminars on various topics, e.g. Drawing Differently. Still Different , Nonviolent Communication , How to Stress? Let's touch on folklore already in kindergarten , Etiquette in working relationships and its contribution to practice in kindergarten conditions.
- In the state curriculum, according to which all kindergartens in Slovakia follow, the issue of washing hands, teeth and face belongs to the basic hygiene habits, which are part of the daily routine in kindergarten environment. We also teach children, in cooperation with their parents, to observe these important hygiene habits, but at the same time, when

washing their hands and using the toilet, to save water and observe the drinking regime.

– 22. 03. Water Day

During this period, as a priority, but also throughout the school year, through games, creative drama, theatre, poems and songs, we make children aware of the need to save water and wash their hands. Kindergartens have developed internal projects and activities with this focus.

National and international activities the National Committee has been involved in:

- 04. 04. 2023 - OMEP SEMINAR SERIES 2023 Early childhood education:
- Country progress towards national SDG 4 benchmarks online meeting with World President, President for Africa, President of Europe and Jarka Kreškóciová - member of NC Slovakia - Consultation about Help for Uganda - possibilities of cooperation
- Project Malý šéfkuchár bez čapice - Little Chef without a hat was presented in Poland, Czech Republic, Australia and Serbia