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Window to our School

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ABOUT TO YOUR FRIENDS.

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Home sweet home.

V. Kurilovich

Home, sweet home. We can really use this proverb talking about our school.

We live in a small nice settlement in rigorous Yakutia. The climate of our land is extremely cold but the settlement of Svetliy has all conveniences and our little school, the only school in the place, is a real warm, light and comfortable home for its pupils.

During the long winter months (about seven ones) we spend much time studying in its comfortable classrooms? Doing sports in its two gyms/ We can speak about "hydrodinamia" of our children because they can't spend a lot of time outside in cold winter. That's why during the breaks we can always watch younger pupils running, jumping, chasing each other.

A lot of boys often play football with light paper balls in the halls of our school. It's a new popular game at our school. Teachers understand us and aren't very strict to us. And what break games do you play?



Devoted to our teachers.

Anastasia
Starshinova

A teacher... He or she...A teacher...

Sometimes we don't value them. We are rude to them, snarl at and insult. And they endure, support, love and continue to give themselves to the pupils with the same kindness, cares, and tenderness. ...They are devoted to knowledge, to every corner of our school, to every hooligan and pupil with only the lowest mark "two" in the record book. Because it is their home and we are all their children. Though not all of them are good, patient and clever. Let them be so! But they love and accept every pupil. Year after year. We grow up before their eyes, become adult. Do they become older? No, they are forever young, they are always with us. Year after year. They remember every day of our school life: the 1st of September and the Last Bell holiday, every meeting where we are praised or abused, every school party and play where their pupils take part. They are with us and we are together. Year after year.

Our school - leaving party is coming soon. We are closer and closer to each other. Everybody tries to catch a moment after a moment which is for the last time. But we laugh. We, who has grown up and they are, still young and full of enthusiasm, still careful and reliable and still loving.

Everything is for the last time... We are so miserable, and what do they feel? They laugh back through tears. And every of their tears are we, their pupils. It were we who made them laugh and be sad, worry and be glad, love and love more times.

And now we are school-leavers. They let us enter the big life. We have to go father, to aspire to better, to build our own lives as they taught. We'll always remember you, we won't forget your lessons of kindness and love. We won't forget!



Our teachers.

"A good teacher is like a candle – it consumes itself to light the way for others."



Anastasia
Belyakova

Our teachers are like a Gods-sent to the students of our school. They always want to see us smile and make learning a pleasurable experience. Rather, they are witty and bring in humor in the most subtle form. They try to bring a smile on the lips of us always, lifting the sadness out of the student's life. Just because our teachers have a humorous nature, it does not mean that they are not serious about studies. They do encourage us to study hard, but in the healthy way. They educate us without burdening. They are not fixated on deadlines, but they do not tolerate a playful attitude towards studies as well. They lead to the development of us, their students in a healthy and fun way.

Our teachers are ideal teachers, the ones we respect from our hearts. They act as guides, while not pushing us too much. They encourage the students and refrains from criticizing them. Their comments are always constructive in nature. Our teachers serve as our friend, guide, educator, confidante, and a blend of all the good qualities one can possess. They know where we lack and what our requirements are.

We are sure that they will leave a life-long impression on us and impact our minds in a positive way. They are the ones without whom we can't imagine our lives. In fact, our teachers are as important for us as our parents. Children trust them, even more than their parents. They guide us like their own children. They are the ones, whom we idolize and look up to.

Students of our school feel free to come up to them for any problem and are not scared to voice their opinions. We love our teachers!





My Favourite Teacher



Masha Lisogor, 3-A

My name is Mary. I am nine. I am in the third form.

My favourite teacher is Irina Nicolaevna Vasinkova. She is nice. She is slim. She is clever. She is not angry. She is kind. She is not cunning.

Irina Nicolaevna can play volleyball and swim. She can ski with us. She can dance. She can use a computer. She can not play the piano and the guitar.

Irina Nicolaevna likes apples, bananas, honey and grapes. She likes chocolate.

I love my favourite teacher!





Elena Yakovlevna Ort

Yakutia is famous for different kinds of museums: of local lore, culture and traditions, history. Our school has a small museum too.

It's interesting to know that a lot of prehistoric exhibits are found on it's territory.

Ancient animals of the pre-iced age such as mammoths, sheep – bulls lived here/ During the building of the 3rd hydrostation on the Vilui River the remains of these ancient animals were found in the ground of the river. There aren't many museums of local lore have such exhibits we have. We created a small museum called " The Land We Live in". The visitor of itare excited with these ancient remains: the tusks of the mammoth, the skull of the bull/ You can even see a big mammoth's tooth. There is an exhibition of local stones here.

But the thing of great importance is the historical materials on the history of our settlement, hydroelectric power station and school.

The museum was opened in 1989 on the 10th anniversary of our settlement. It's organiser is the teacher of English Elena Yakovlevna Ort.

All pupils, their parents, the builders of the station and the settlement, our teachers took an active part in its organization.

Nowadays we continue to write the history of our place and school.

We are sure that our tiny museum will help us and next generations to keep great pages of our history in our memory.



Cloning the Mammoth?

The discovery of the best-preserved mammoth ever found ranks as one of the coolest science finds of all time.

In 2007, a one-month old baby mammoth was found frozen in a Siberian swamp, and University of Michigan paleontologists, including Professor Daniel Fisher, are studying her. They know she lived more than 30,000 years ago and died in a mud pit. Named Lyuba, the mammoth has its skin, bones, organs almost fully intact. She even has mother's milk in her tummy.

Scientists have already decoded 70% of the woolly mammoth's genome, and with the discovery of Lyuba, they most certainly can finish the job. Cloning a mammal is no simple feat, but it can be done. Since 1996 when Dolly the sheep was cloned, scientists have since cloned several animals, including a domestic sheep, rabbit, cat, dog, mouse, goat, mule, horse, pig, and camel. But no one has ever successfully cloned an extinct animal. And scientists have long debated the possible problems with cloning extinct, endangered or rare species. What if they have very bad tempers?

Besides the fact that we have no idea what their temperament may be, we don't know what their dietary needs might be, whether they could even survive in today's non-Ice Age world. If one does successfully clone the mammoth, where will it go? We could put the mammoth in a zoo or a pen, and study it like a lab rat.



Discovered by reindeer herders in Siberia, the near-perfect mammoth—frozen for 40,000 years—holds clues to the extinct species.



A Nenets boy tentatively examines Lyuba outside Shemanovsky Museum in Salekhard, Siberia. Some of his elders still hold to the Nenets tradition that touching a mammoth, a creature they believe roams the spirit underworld, will bring bad luck.



For the mammoth's journey from Siberia to Japan, scientists vacuum-sealed the carcass in a plastic bag and shipped it in a refrigerated container. Members of the scientific team unpack Lyuba at Iki University's medical school in Tokyo and prepare her for CT scanning.

The Theatre Factory


Anastasia Starshinova

We are proud of the school amateur theatre " Zerkalo" (Mirror") It has been working for many years ad has won a lot of prizes. Our teacher Nadezhda Rodionovna Tsarakova in my opinion is one of the best teachers in our school, a real fan of the theatre. She is not an actress or a producer by her education but many of the pupils, the actors of her theatre, has already become real actors. We call our theatre " the Factory of Actors". It's great!







Teacher's day messagers


 You have been the mentor of life. Though I did not realize it earlier. Now it feels great to have someone who guided me to the right track in life. Happy Teacher's Day!


 Thanks for being my Teacher and guiding me towards the right path of life. I am grateful to you teacher!

 With a great teacher like you, I was sure that life would be a successful journey but I never knew you will also make the journey to success such a cakewalk. I can't express my gratitude Sir!

 You have been more than a teacher- a mentor, guide, and philosopher! Thanks for blessings me.

 Success is your blessing, teacher. I would always be thankful to you. Best of me, reminds me of you. Happy Teachers' Day!

 Life is a journey and your words have been a guiding light throughout. Happy Teachers' Day!

 Teacher you have always shown us the right way. Whatever little we have achieved in your life is because of you only. Thanks for being our guide and mentor. Happy Teachers' Day!



Let us smile



I Didn't Do It!

A little girl came home from school and said to her mother, "Mommy, today in school I was Punished for something that I didn't do.

"The mother exclaimed, "But that's terrible! I'm going to have a talk with your teacher about this ... by the way, what was it that you didn't do?" The little girl replied, "My homework."



A teacher was having trouble teaching arithmetic to one little boy.

So she said, "if you reached in your right pocket and found a nickel, and you reached in your left pocket and found another one, what would you have?" "Someone else's pants".



The child comes home from his first day at school. Mother asks, "What did you learn today?"

The kid replies, "Not enough. I have to go back tomorrow."



The teacher is droning away in the classroom when he notices a student sleeping way up in the back row. The teacher shouts to The sleeping student's neighbor, "Hey wake that student up!" The neighbor yells back, "You put him to sleep, you wake him up!"



Teacher: I told you to stand at the end of the line?

Pupil: I tried, but there was someone already there!

English proverbs



- **Home is where the heart is** - Дом там, где сердце
- **Every country has its customs** - Сколько стран, столько обычаев.
- **Every bird likes its own nest** - Всяк кулик свое болото хвалит.
- **My house is my castle** - Мой дом — моя крепость
- **East or West — home is best** - В гостях хорошо, а дома лучше.
- **Better unborn than untaught** - Лучше не родиться, чем неучем жить
- **Better untaught than ill-taught** - Полузнание хуже незнания
- **It is never too late to learn** - Учиться никогда не поздно
- **Life is what you make it** - Жизнь такова, какой ты её делаешь
- **Little knowledge is a dangerous thing** - Недостаточное знание — вещь опасная. Всякое полузнание хуже незнания
- **Live and learn** - Век живи — век учись
- **Zeal without knowledge is a runaway horse** - Рвенье без ученья — не польза, а беда



English idioms

- **chickens come home to roost**

If chickens are coming home to roost, someone is suffering the Unpleasant consequences of their bad actions in the past.

- **hit the roof**

You can say someone hits the roof if they lose their temper and show their anger.

- **hold the fort**

If you hold the fort, you look after a place or a business while the person who is normally in charge is away.

- **make yourself at home**

If you make yourself at home, you relax and feel comfortable in someone else's home.

- **nothing to write home about**

If you say something is nothing to write home about, you mean it isn't very important or it isn't very good.

- **put your own house in order / get your own house in order**

If you say to someone "put your own house in order", or "get your own house in order", you think they should solve their own problems before telling someone else how to solve theirs.

- **run-of-the-mill**

Something is run-of-the-mill if it is ordinary and nothing special.

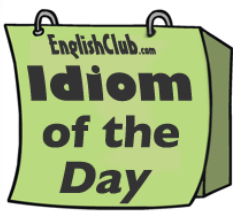
- **the writing | handwriting is on the wall**

If the writing is on the wall, or the handwriting is on the wall, there are signs that a person or organization is in trouble and might soon fail.

- **waiting in the wings**

If you're waiting in the wings, you're ready to take over a role or a position when you have the chance to do so.





Idioms Quiz

chickens come home to roost

The chickens are coming home to roost for Dennis at last. For years he treated his wife and children badly, and now

- a) they're taking care of him
- b) they're still putting up with him
- c) they've left and he's old and lonely

hit the roof

The movie's director hit the roof when the actress

- a) forgot her lines
- b) did her scene perfectly
- c) kissed him on the cheek

hold the fort

The shop's manager had to go out for a while, so Julie held the fort

- a) when he got back
- b) while he was gone
- c) before he went

make yourself at home

I said "Make yourself at home" after

- a) inviting my friends inside
- b) arriving at my friend's house
- c) driving my friend to the airport

nothing to write home about

Leila said the new restaurant was nothing to write home about. She thought it was

- a) excellent
- b) just average
- c) really terrible

put your own house in order | get your own house in order

Karen says I should put my own house in order before I

- a) go on my vacation
- b) give advice on decorating homes
- c) tell other people what they should do

run-of-the-mill

Natasha says she's tired of going to run-of-the-mill restaurants every night. She wants to

- a) go somewhere special
- b) go somewhere cheap
- c) go somewhere normal

the writing | handwriting is on the wall

The writing had been on the wall for a few months, so no-one was surprised when the restaurant

- a) finally closed down
- b) closed for renovations
- c) opened a second branch

waiting in the wings

The assistant coach is waiting in the wings, and when the coach retires, he'll

- a) leave as well
- b) take over as coach
- c) keep his job as assistant coach