



Events

We hope you agree that dan očeva was a lot of fun! Students had a great time showcasing their singing, poetry and who can forget those Baby Lasagna moves! We also had recognition in the Hrvatski Vjesnik for the event, so we are very pleased with how our school is building its profile in the broader Croatian community.



Dear parents, guardians and school community,

Term 3 is a wrap! It was a long term and we thank you all for your commitment. Please enjoy your school holidays, stay safe and we will see you back for Term 4 on **Saturday 12 October**.

You can find all our term dates on the website [here](#).

Departed staff

We bid farewell to our Principal and Middle class teacher, Vlado as he embarks on retirement at the end of Term 3. Having been an integral part of our teaching staff since the start, we are grateful for the knowledge, experience and contribution over the years. Luckily for us, Vlado won't be too far away and will still be seen around school from time to time as he remains as a relief teacher.

We are also pleased to announce that **Darka** will take this class from Term 4. We are excited to have Darka join the permanent staff roster.

Welcome to the team Darka!

We are currently recruiting for the Principal position and will notify you when it is filled. In the interim, Darko will support us in this position.

Croatian Studies Foundation (CSF) grant

You may have seen the WhatsApp or [Facebook post](#) about our school resources purchased through the CSF grant.

We have now finalised the allocations of funds with our wonderful "Obiteljsko stablo", the red & white checkered pinboard in our Junior classroom - which will be put to good use displaying our student work, and finally our "Školska knjižnica" which is now complete with new shelving and books for students.

Thank you CSF for your ongoing support of our school!

Školska knjižnica - borrowing from the library

If you would like to use or contribute to this wonderful resource (with books, games to share), please reach out to the school office and we can get you organised. It could be a great idea for students to practice their reading over the school holidays!

What a way to end Term 3 with a palačinke making masterclass! Using a classic recipe, students were able to master the batter, order from the cafe and eat their yummy palačinke with a range of fillings! There were a few left over for parents, but not many! Our recipe is below.

2024 Parent's Survey

We are always looking at improving based on feedback from our community and we'd love to hear from our parent and student experiences by **completing a quick survey by clicking the image below**. It will close on 18 October 2024.

Your feedback is confidential and greatly valued.

Parent & Student Survey!



Save the Date - End of Year Concert & BBQ

When: **Saturday 23 November 2024**

Where: Clifton Hill Community Hall

Time: 10.30am - 12.30pm

Tickets: **\$30 pp** (inc BBQ lunch)

Keep an eye out for more details and ticket sales which will kick off in Term 4. Everyone is welcome including friends and grandparents, so we hope you can join us!

Family exclusive tickets

We will set aside two tickets (\$30 each) for all our families. This cost will cover all students and siblings not attending school. Please make your payment by **Saturday 23 October** to one of the teachers, either by cash in the envelope provided, via tap & go by finding our Secretary (Sally) or Treasurer (Ivan) or by EFT into our school bank account.

If you would like extra tickets for grandparents or other family and friends, please email us at croatianschoolmelbourne@gmail.com.

We need volunteers on the day to help with set-up, cooking, service and the clean-up. [Please review the available jobs and sign up if you can](#). Thank you!

Introducing new Committee members

We would like to share the latest additions to the school Committee joining those announced in our [last newsletter](#).

Communications and Grants Officer - Lara Porobija

General Member - Darko Kotevski

Welcome to the team!

Volunteers play a vital role in our school and we would love to hear from you if you would like to contribute - no skills are necessary.

If you would like to learn more, please reach out to current members or Sally for more information.

2025 enrolments

2025 enrolments will open **15 November 2024**.

We will notify you when applications are ready to be accepted. We will also have a Welcome Day scheduled on **1 February 2025** where we will take enrolments similar to this year.

Please pass this information on to any families who may be interested in joining our school in 2025 as we have capacity limits for each class. You will also start to see posters popping up around campus.

2025 Fees

We have increased our student fees for 2025. This represents a 7.5% increase from 2024 and ensures we can fund the growth in our teaching staff and school activities in 2025. If you have any concerns, please reach out to our staff to discuss.

	If enrolled before 16 March 2025 (and eligible for VDET funding)	If enrolled after 16 March 2025 (or not eligible for VDET funding)
1 Student	\$370 (previously \$345)	Plus \$240
2 Students or more (family total)	\$590 (previously \$550)	Plus \$240 per student

Housekeeping

A reminder that as we are now in Spring, we recommend that students start wearing sun-protective clothing and hats and applying sunscreen before school. Have a read of our SunSmart Policy in the school charter [here](#).

Child Safety Policy

Croatian School of Language and Culture Melbourne is committed to the Victorian Child Safe Standards & acknowledges that Child Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. The school's Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct is on our [website](#).



Check out some photos from the Dan očeva recital and our palačinke masterclass. We're so proud of our students and congratulations to all involved for creating these events!







Palačinke

RECEPT

Za tijesto

- 250g brašna (1 2/3 cups plain)
- Malo soli
- 3 jaja
- 2 žlica ulja (vegetable)
- 500ml mlijeka (2 cups)
- 250ml mineralne vode (1 cup sparkling)
- Ulje za pečenje

Priprema

- U dubokoj posudi izmiješajte jaja i malo soli, pa postupno dodajte brašno, mlijeko i ulje.
- Izmiješajte mineralne-vode i ostavite tijesto da odmori 15 minuta.
- Ispecite palačinke obje strane
- Hrvatske palačinke poslužite vruće!



Steps

- In a large bowl, whisk eggs.
- Add salt, milk and oil and mix well.
- Add flour, mix until smooth.
- Gently mix in the mineral water and rest batter in fridge for 15 minutes.
- Heat a lightly oiled frying pan over medium-high heat. Pour or scoop the batter onto the frying pan, spreading batter thinly.
- Brown on both sides and serve hot!

In Croatia, palačinke, or crepes, are one of the most loved dishes. They can be filled with savoury or sweet fillings. How will you fill your palačinke? Dobar tek!

Thanks!
Hvala!