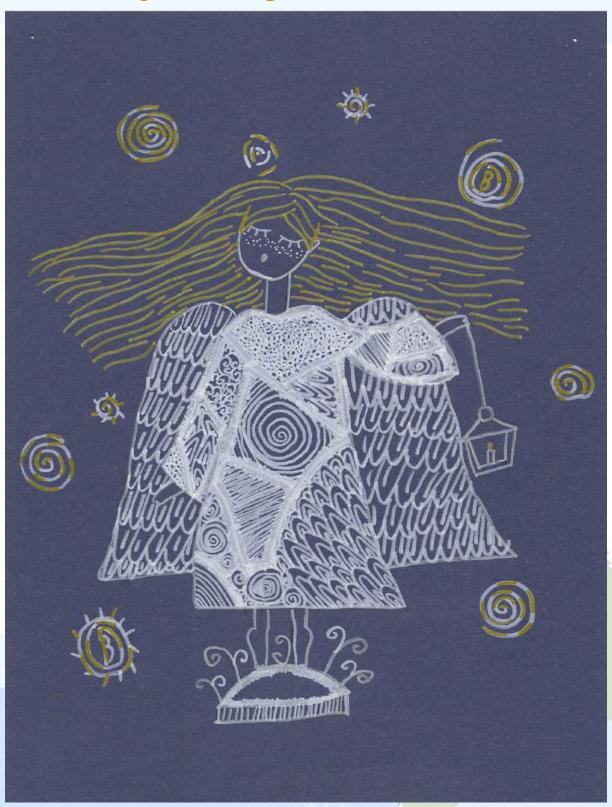
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Picture of an Angel by Tamara Šustáková, 4.a



Are expensive Christmas presents really important?

Christmas present by Alex Buday, 9.a class

Hello my name is Alex and I'm going to tell you what I want as a Christmas present.

Many people want to find expensive gifts under their Christmas tree. So do I, but I don't think it's only about the gifts. I think it's about the whole family gathering and spending time together on Christmas. For example, me and my mum spend more time together during the Christmas because I help her with the Christmas baking. So, I think that the most important thing people should want for Christmas is that their family gathers together and that all of them are healthy especially during this hard time of pandemic.

In the end, I can say that what I want for Christmas is that I want all of my family members to be healthy. I wish you Merry Christmas.

Christmas present by Diana Kollárová, 9.a class

Christmas presents are a nice tradition. However, not everyone can afford to buy Christmas presents and that's very sad and I really wish that every person in the world could have at least one Christmas present. Christmas isn't about presents. It's about family, love and the beautiful atmosphere. When I was little, I liked Christmas only because of presents. How I got older I started viewing Christmas very differently. I started to get excited for Christmas not only because of presents but because of our family gathering, family dinner, the atmosphere, midnight Mass and watching Christmas movies like Home alone (that's my favourite one) or Grinch and more traditional Christmas movies. This Christmas I didn't wish for anything. I have everything I wanted. I have a loving family, health and that's the most important thing in life. But I got asked a lot times what I want for Christmas. I said nothing I have everything what I ever wanted. And that's how I really feel. Everyone who asks me this gets this answer. So, what I will get under our Christmas tree will be a huge surprise for me. Maybe you think that there has to be something I really want. Well yes, I want to make my dreams come true but that's all there is nothing material that I would wish for because I have everything and I am happy.

A loving family, health and happiness is the best present ever.

Christmas present by Jakub Komžík, 9.a class

I don't have necessarily a present that I would really want but I still kind of want some things. For example, a new chair since the one I currently have is really squeaky and it doesn't hold together properly.

For my younger self Christmas was usually about the gifs since I, like most young kids, didn't care about the spiritual value nor gathering with what family could have come. But as I grew (and still am) older I found value in the spiritual part as well. With getting older came out a part that started to care more about finances and stuff involving Money, as a result of that I began wishing for less things as an attempt to save more money. For example, this year I will get a new chair, although I never mentioned a word about it but I'm guessing since the chair so messed up my mom got one anyway. Few weeks ago, I've been asked the typical Christmas question: What do you want for Christmas, and so came into my mind my collection of knives therefore I asked for a new knife or a videogame, whichever will be easier to obtain. Other than that, I have only asked for a new headset since I have overused this one by using it almost nonstop every day.

But in the end, it's all about gathering with family and to get some rest after some time.





My Christmas

by Petra Jenisová, 9.b class

Christmas is finally here. I can already have a Christmas mood even though I have had it for two months . I love Christmas most of all at Christmas Eve. I think Christmas is the most beautiful holiday. I like when we meet at the dinner and have the best time with my family. Our family is big, so we enjoy spending time together. We have delicious food, like carp and salmon with potato salad and cabbage soup. I am very grateful that we can have that food. My favourite part of Christmas are presents and decorating our house. Every year, my Mum surprises us and decorates the Christmas tree with a different colour.

The best way to decorate Christmas tree by Petra Jenisová, 9.b class

One of my favourite Christmas traditions is decorating the Christmas tree. My Mum has her own special technique for decorating it. She is a perfectionist. But I think the best way to decorate the Christmas tree is to

listen to Christmas carols and do it. Simply, decorate it without using your mind. Just decorate and sing along carols. Most people probably think it is not normal but Christmas is not about being normal – Christmas is about magic. All you need for decorating the Christmas tree is music, love and magic.

I hope there are more people who can feel the magic of Christmas. Because without it, we would be like Scrooge from "Christmas Carol". **So, merry Christmas**.





Photos by Petra Jenisová, 9.b class



Celebrating Christmas

Christmas in Slovakia by Agáta Bánska, 9.a class

Christmas is a Christian holiday – people celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on the 25th of December. On the 24th of December, Slovak people celebrate Christmas Eve. They decorate a Christmas tree. Many families have dinner at 6 pm and they usually eat cabbage, mushroom or fish soup, carp or salmon and potato salad. Before Christmas dinner, there is a tradition of praying together, sharing wafers with honey and garlic, cutting an apple into two halves, throwing nuts into the corners of the room. After dinner children unpack presents which they find under the Christmas tree.

Christmas by Zina Miklášová, 9.a class

Christmas is the holiday I like the most. I celebrate it together with my family: my parents, cousins, aunt, uncle and Grandma. It is a special time of the year because we are all finally together enjoying one another's company, talking and having fun. We always meet at our house at the Christmas Eve. We open our gifts, watch some movies and eat sweets. During the holiday, we visit our family and friends. We always stay at their house for a week and celebrate New Year together.

How we celebrate Christmas Eve by Filip Filipčík, 9.b

We celebrate Christmas traditionally. We usually build the Christmas tree like one week before Christmas. But this year we built it on 6th of December. I help my mum on decorating the tree. Then she decorates the whole house. On 24th of December my mom starts cooking for dinner. Everyone eats carp with potato salad but I eat chicken, we have a soup as well but I don't like mushrooms so I don't eat it. At five or six a clock we start eating the dinner. We pray, dad cuts apple in half, I throw nuts in corners of our kitchen. After all of that we go to my favourite part - unboxing the presents. After everyone opens their presents, we watch TV and eat more of the potato salad with chicken or carp.

Christmas Eve in our family by Nina Bednárová, 9.b class

Every year a day before Christmas Eve my mom makes "moravské koláče" for Christmas breakfast - that is something like our tradition. Even though sayings say you shouldn't eat anything before Christmas dinner, we always eat soup. Till lunch me and my sister make Christmas salad, while parents make cabbage soup. After lunch we go to light candles to cemetery. After that we watch TV and lay on the couch. Around 5pm we start getting ready for dinner. Me and my sister set the table, my dad bakes fish. Around 6pm we have dinner and at that time there is Feather Fairy on TV. We try to eat fast so that we can watch it. After dinner we go out for a while and Santa can put presents under the tree. And that's how we spend Christmas Eve.



How I celebrate Christmas by Tomáš Jakab, 9.b class

The day is mostly the same as any day. First, I wake up, get dressed, eat breakfast and brush my teeth. But my parents don't eat breakfast or lunch.

Usually, we then go outside and maybe build a snowman in the yard if there is snow outside. But in the afternoon, we get dressed and go to the kitchen to eat. I have "no idea" why but my mother always stays upstairs for a few minutes when we all go downstairs. Then before we all eat dinner we pray.

Then when we eat dinner we eat carp, potato salad apples and wafers with honey. Then we all go upstairs and under the Christmas tree there are a lot of presents for everyone. Then I go to sleep.

Christmas in my family by Matúš Madola, 9.b class

In our family, Christmas is important holiday. We spend whole day cooking dinner, baking sweets and decorating tree.

We decorate tree on Christmas because we use a tree with real wood and real needles so my parents want to needles not to fall off too soon.

I don't like really Christmas carols and movies because they are just every year the same.

If I must watch some Christmas movies, I like "Die Hard" the most.

Every year we have the dinner about 6pm. We eat wafers with honey and garlic and apple before soup.

My mum and sister eat cabbage soup, and my dad and me eat fish soup because we don't like cabbage.

Second meal is fried fish with potato salad.

After dinner we go to unbox presents.

In the last years, my common presents have been money and clothes, I don't want anything else because I have everything I need.

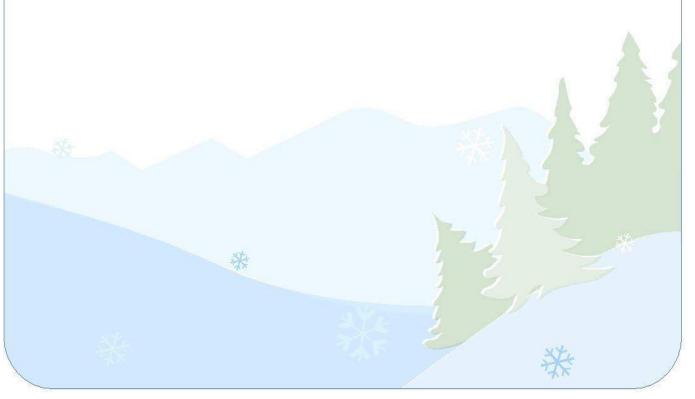
About one and a half hours after dinner and unboxing presents, we go to visit my grandparents and my cousins, my uncle and aunt.

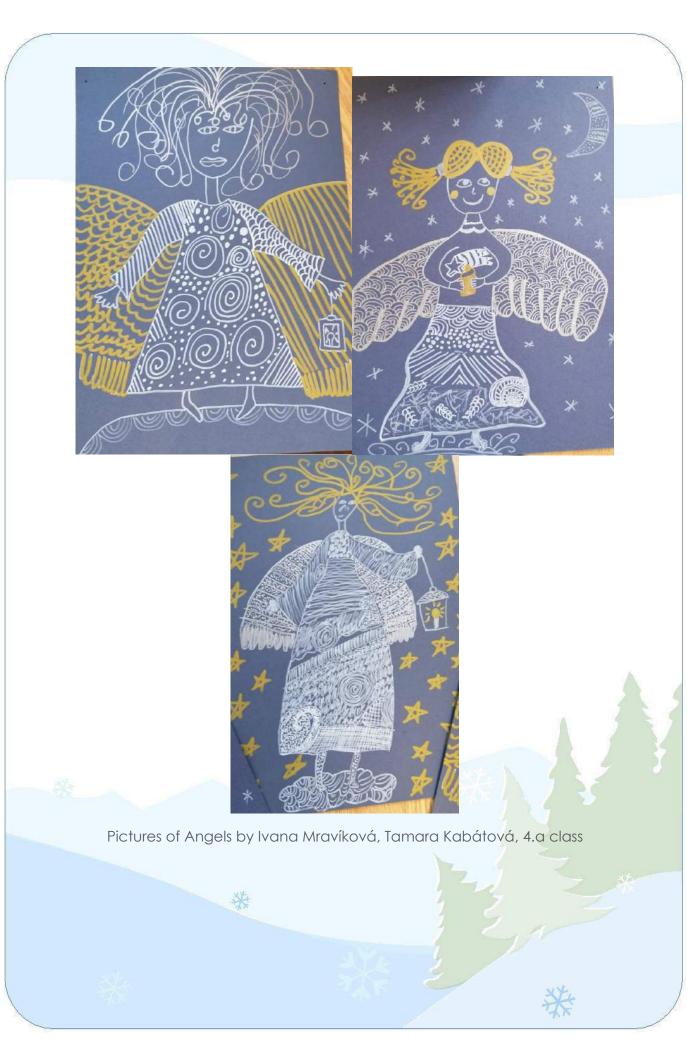


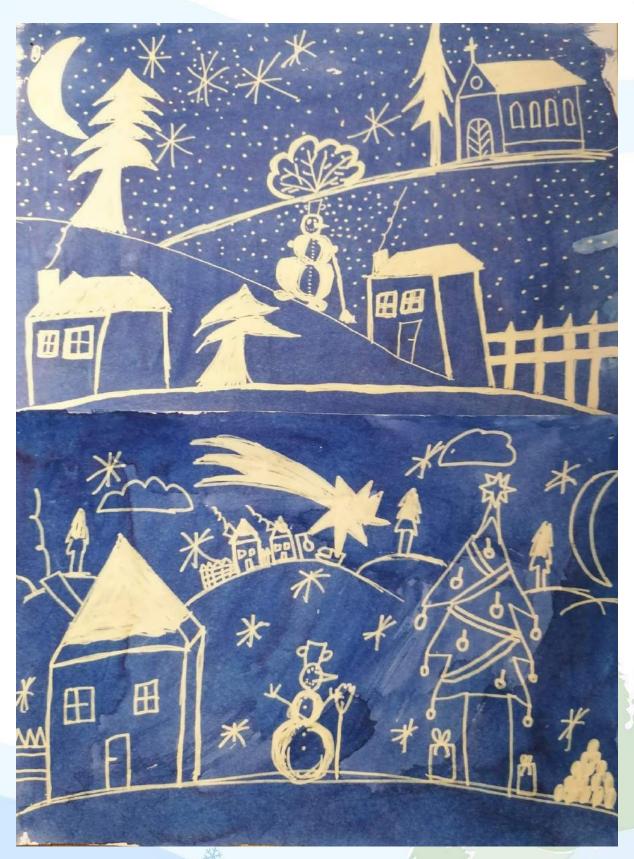
Typical wooden and straw Christmas decorations. Photo by Petra Jenisová, 9.b class



Picture of a winter country by Bystrík Tonkovič, 4.a class







Pictures of a winter country by Samuel Sečkár and Lukas Mandák, 4.a class



Diamond poems

Child

Diamond poem by Alexandra Horná, 9.b class

Small playful

Playing

eating

talking

Helpful

selfless

Friends

Book

Diamond poem by Petra Jenisová, 9.b class

Old and new

Reading

writing

dreaming

Small and big

Dream

Snowflake

Diamond poem by Nina Bednárová, 9.b class

Little

delicate

Shining

dancing

melting

茶

White

cold

Snow

Christmas

Diamond poem by Filip Filipčík, 9.b

joyful and cheerful

eating entertaining unboxing

mysterious wrapped

Presents



Christmas

Diamond poem by Tomáš Jakab, 9.b class

Merry bright

Gifting snowing eating

Expensive wrapped

Presents

In our cozy home, it isn't very warm.

Sun is down, freezing cold —

That's what we already know.

Winter is here — threat time of the year.

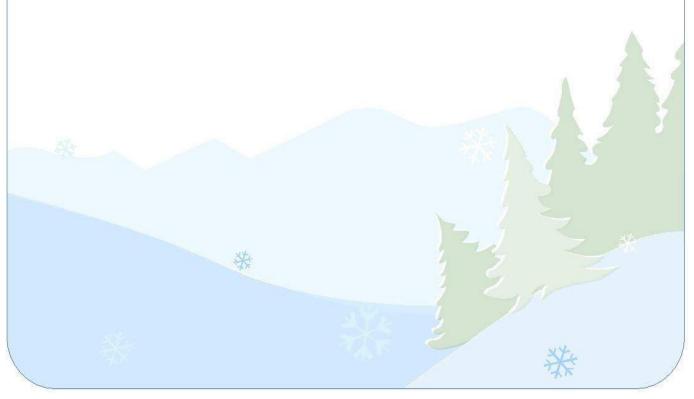
White snow, ice cold

Everything outside our cozy home.

Poem by Filip Horváth, 9.b class

It was a cold winter outside, I made myself some coffee. I played some videogames - yesterday I won a trophy. I made myself the strongest coffee possible - this homework from the English language is impossible. Our English teacher is great this poem I have to create. It snowed until this morning from the teacher I got warming grade &

Poem by Šimon Herda, 9.b class



Diamond poems

Snowflake Diamond poem by Simona Švecová, 8.b class

Small and frozen

Snowing blowing falling

White and shiny

Snow

Christmas Diamond poem by Tamara Marková, 8.b class

Happy merry

Snowing falling melting

Cold white

Snowman

Snow Diamond poem by Tamara Marková, 8.b class

Frozen white

Snowing freezing melting

Dancing warm

Snowflake

Christmas Diamond poem by Adela Jenisová, 8.b class

Cold merry

Snowing eating singing

White frozen

Snow

Here comes Winter now – icicles and lot more.

It will be windy and cold winter.

Kids will be outside

building snowmen and playing snowball wars.

The best on Christmas is

that families will be together at the table.

Snow will slowly melt....

Poem by Filip Granát, 8.b class