## SLOVENE-ENGLISH WORKSHOPS: WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

On Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2015, 8<sup>th</sup> classes had Slovene-English workshops about William Shakespeare. We started at 9 o'clock and finished at 12.30. We were divided into four groups.

We had a Slovene workshop the first two lessons. Two storytellers came. They told us that the workshops were about the famous English playwright, poet and actor William Shakespeare. We have already talked about him in our English lessons. We began with two games, which were very relaxing and we had to use memory perception. Then we were talking about Shakespeare's life and the Globe Theatre, where he was performing in his lifetime. After that we acted out a scene from Romeo and Juliet, where Romeo, Juliet and Paris die.

Afterwards we had our English workshop. We talked in English all the time. Our English teachers Maja Skakić and Nataša Gajšek Ključarič led the workshops. Did you know that Shakespeare had nine siblings? He had to leave school because of the poor financial state his family was in. He married when he was eighteen years old. His wife Anne Hathaway was six years older. They had two daughters and one son. He went to London where he started performing and writing plays. He wrote comedies, tragedies and history dramas. His most famous tragedies are Hamlet and Romeo and Juliet. Even queen Elizabeth I., the heir to the throne, liked him. William Shakespeare died on his birthday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 1616. These are some of the facts we learnt in different activities at the workshop (rebus, find-the-clue game, a short film, etc.). Lastly we performed a very funny short version of Romeo and Juliet in English.

After the workshops we went to the gym, where we showed each other what we had been doing throughout the morning. The headmistress came, too. I think it was wonderful!

The workshops were very educative and funny. We learnt lots of new things about W. Shakespeare and got to know that he did a lot for the theatre and literature in general.

Četrtek, 18. 6. 2015, je bil za nas osmošolce prav poseben dan. Predstavljen nam je bil William Shakespeare. Izvedeli smo, kdaj se je rodil in kdaj umrl, s kom in kdaj se je poročil in koliko otrok je imel ter seveda njegova pomembnejša dela. V angleški delavnici smo si o Shakespearu ogledali še filmček, nato pa smo se lotili uprizarjanja zelo skrajšane različice Romea in Julije. Po dveh šolskih urah smo se preselili v sosednjo učilnico na slovensko delavnico. Tudi tam smo uprizorili del predstave. Na koncu dneva smo v telovadnici zaigrali vse predstave.

Bil je zelo zanimiv in poučen dan. Verjamem, da smo se vsi imeli lepo.



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