

The Mole and The Queen



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Logo for the project

One of our first tasks in the project was to create a logo for the project. This is Rosa and she is a parent in our school. She designed this logo. Beautiful logo which is so logical.

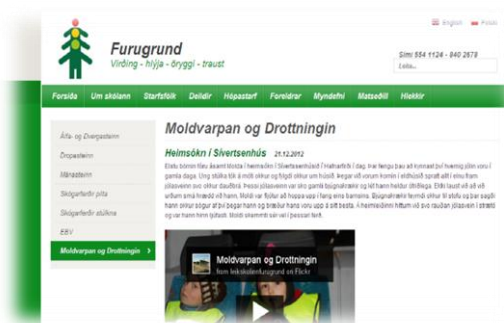


Chess lesson

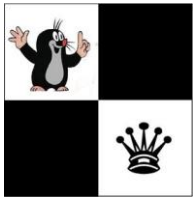
Before we started the project we had a chess lesson with Lenka Ptáčníková European chess champion. She taught us the best way to teach young children how to play chess. At the beginning we taught the children to play pawn chess. We made a video for the others in the project to help them to teach the same way that Lenka taught us.



Webpage



We write about everything we do in the project on our webpage: <http://furugrund.is>. At least twice in a week we put some tasks on the webpage. We have also introduced the project to others schools in Iceland. In the media and in a meeting in the Icelandic International agency in November, where teachers from the whole country were invited.



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The Mole

Because our students are very young we decided to buy moles puppets. Our friends in Czech Republic helped us to do that and send them to us in Iceland. The Moles are very popular in our school, every class has their own Mole and the biggest one is for the whole school. Each Mole plays a big role in the classroom. The children take them with them where ever they go.



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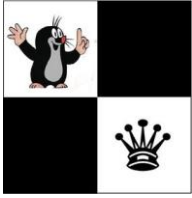
neighborhood to the Mole. They took them out to the nature and showed them the valley Fossvogur.



The children took the Mole with them to the gym and the Mole participated in all the activities in the gymnastic hall.

They also took him to the larges church in Iceland. To show him the view over Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland.





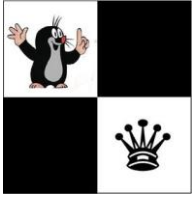
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In weekends the Mole in Álfasteinn (one of the classrooms) goes home with the children. The Mole has been out to the country in cottages and farms. He has been to visit a dentist and got in to more adventures.





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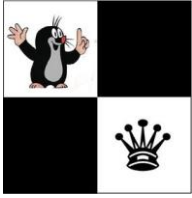
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Moles Cartoons – Krtek

We have been watching a few cartoons with Krtek the Mole. Most groups in our school, students from one to five years old, have watched videos with Krtek and have done some creative work about the content of the story. They have done that in a very different way, with clay, paint, draw, acting etc.





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Chess in Furugrund

From the beginning of September we have been playing chess in our school. Most of the oldest children can now play full chess and the younger children can play pawn chess.



All of the teachers are teaching chess.



In October we had a chess club for the oldest children and their parents. Everyone had a good time and the parents told us that they have been playing with their children at home since then.



Because of the International Chess day 26th of January we are going to have our first chess tournament in our school at 28th of January.



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