

Press Release - First day of the academic year 2013-14

The President of the Czech Republic opened the new school year at Anglicko-české Gymnázium AMAZON

On Monday September 2, 2013, the President of the Czech Republic, along with the First Lady Ivana Zemanová, commenced the new academic year 2013-14 in Anglicko-české Gymnázium AMAZON. The event took place in the presence of the media with photographers and cameramen on hand to record the proceedings.

The President accompanied by his team arrived to the school building at 10 am. He was welcomed by the Director of the school Mrs. Eva Kudrnová, Deputy Director Mrs. Pavla Bajuszová and the student parliament representatives. Both distinguished guests received flowers from students as a sign of appreciation.

The Head of the State entered the school walking on a red carpet through a triumphal arch of balloons and headed for the school auditorium where students were waiting for the opening ceremony of their first year. In his speech, the President of the Czech Republic remembered his school years and answered a few questions directly from students during this festive occasion.

The Director quoted the famous American writer Maya Angelou, who said: "People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." The Director added that the respect to others is the highest human virtue.

The President brought valuable books about the City of Prague in English as a gift for the school and students. At the end, he and his wife wished the students a successful academic year and smooth transition into a new school with a friendly environment. After that the presidential couple went to the graduating class, where they spoke to the older students. The President advised graduates to choose a college with practical application of their chosen field and also wished them good luck and success in their final examinations. After the introduction of American teachers he promptly added a famous Mark Twain quote in English. A special meeting with all teachers was also a part of the opening ceremony where they were able to ask questions and talk to The President personally.

It was a great honor for the school that the couple chose to meet the students in Anglicko-české Gymnázium AMAZON. It was a great inspiration and a commitment to quality for students as well as teachers to have such a respected person on this first day of school in 2013-14. The visit of the Head of State was a unique opportunity for the school and is considered important as well as an exceptional way to begin the academic year.

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