## REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA - POSITIVE EXAMPLE

"Classroom in Nature" a place for socializing and developing environmental awareness

These days, the primary school "St. Kliment Ohridski " from Bitola, Republic of North Macedonia, completed the " Classroom in nature " which was made with funds from a project that were received on an open call from the Council of Volunteers of the Municipality of Bitola, Youth Cultural Center -Bitola and with the help from " Bitola Field ".



A large number of students from VIII and IX grades participated in the action and were motivated to create new products by recycling materials and to contribute to improve the conditions in the school. The students worked under the mentorship of the teachers and with great help from the house masters from the school.



- "Classroom in nature" is another pleasant corner for our students. With the beginning of the new school year, our students will be able to realize some of the lessons in nature in our school yard, where they will feel beautiful, motivated, relax. Of course, this will contribute to the development of environmental awareness, for a clean environment with the care and maintenance of this classroom in nature, said the director of the primary school "St. Kliment Ohridski "from Bitola, Gordana Anastasova, who added that the project started long time ago, but it was prolonged due to the Covid-19 pandemic and it is over now.

Covid 19 virus is changing our habits that we do not have before, like a new way of behaving, without greetings, from a distance, wearing protective masks and gloves ...

In "Classroom in nature" students will have the opportunity to sit at a greater distance, in smaller numbers.

The lessons learned in our "Nature Classroom" will be engraved in the memory of the students for a long time, because they teach them through their personal experience. They will develop responsibility and self-discipline and instead of grouping and sitting in cafeteria they will have the opportunity to sit, study and socialize in a new and different corner. Students will primarily learn that in life when they work something, they should work with goal, strategy and alternatives in case some problems arise.



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