

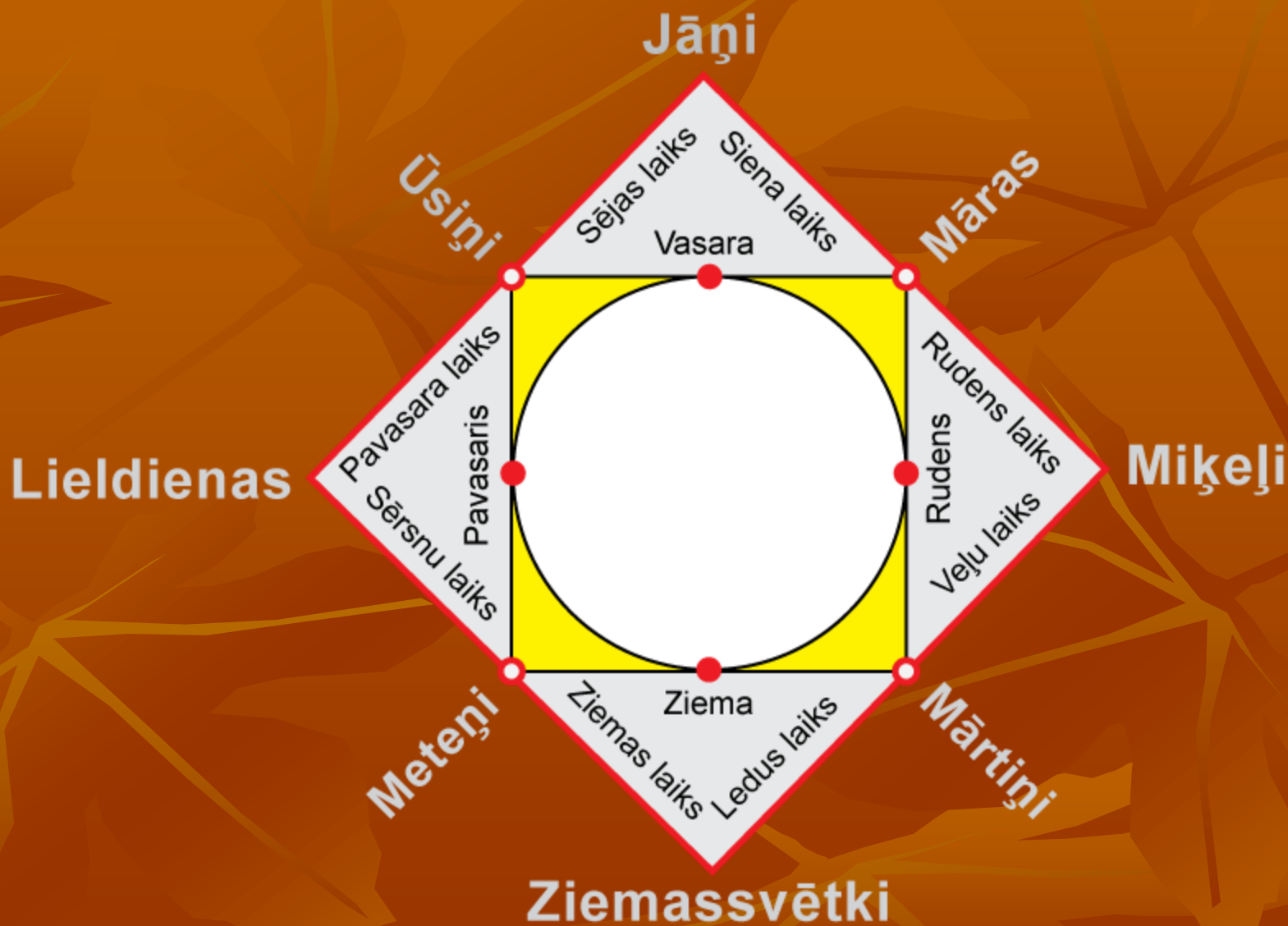


**PEACE- People Events Around Countries of Europe
Comenius project 2013-2015**

AUTUMN EVENTS IN LATVIA

**Comenius team, Mežvidi Primary School,
Latvia, 2014**

- **The traditional conception of the world for Latvians has been formed as a dialogue between the nature and God**
- **There are four important points which are related to the length of the day and the night changes when the earth goes round the sun during the year time**
- **They indicate the beginning or the end of certain agricultural works.**





In winter

- When there is the shortest day and the longest night, Latvians celebrate Christmas

In spring



- When the night and the day are of the same length, Latvians celebrate Easter, swinging, painting eggs, meeting the sun at the sunrise

IN SUMMER,

- When there is the shortest night and the longest day, Latvians celebrate summer saulstīce or Līgo.
- On the 29th of October we celebrate Michaelmas—the time when the crop is harvested.



IN AUTUMN,



Vegetable exhibition: fairy tale characters- Turtles Ninjas, Simpsons, Scooby Doo

- Pupils from all classes take part in the exhibition.



“Snowwhite and seven Dwarfs”



Michaelmas market

Pupils offer different homemade things- cookies, pies, greeting cards, dolls, angels, crocodiles made of pearls...



...crocheted carpets, homemade pens, pizzas....



Competition “Salads”

- Pupils together with their parents at home make different salads from the products grown in Latvia



St Martin's Day



- It is celebrated 6 weeks after Michaelmas.
- Crop harvesting is over, winter is coming; it is time to put on masks of bears, cranes, horses and straws and visit neighbours.

St Martin's Day celebration at our school



- It is celebrated on the 10th of November
- Pupils from forms 1-4 usually take part in it, singing songs, dancing, solving puzzles, playing different games..



- ...they draw the main symbol of St Martin's day- rooster



- and take part in different fun sport games



Teachers' Day- the 5th of October



Kad darbā viegli mums būs
Iet ceļu, kas jāiet.
Kad darbā grūti mums būs.
Mēs nekļūsim vāji
Mēs atcerēsimies jūs,
Skola un skolotāj!

Sirsniņi sveicam
Skolotāju dienā!



Teachers' day is organised by the 9th form pupils. There is a small concert...



Teachers have to do different tasks...



Flowers, presents and a homemade cake for teachers...



Teachers sometimes have to cope with a difficult choice when the pupils offer different themes for the celebration- teachers as fairytale characters



Photo session



Teachers' Day in our county

Teachers are rewarded with Certificates of appreciation and Diplomas for their work.



Torch Light Walk

The pupils of our school take part in the torch light walk.

Flowers are laid at the monument to honour the freedom fighters.





INDEPENDENCE DAY

THE 18TH OF NOVEMBER

- This day is Latvia's National Day.
- Latvian Independence Day commemorates declaration of independence of the Republic of Latvia from German and Russian occupation on November 18, 1918 after the end of the First World War.

National Day Celebration at Our School

The National Day, the 18th of November at Mežvidi Primary School is celebrated by a ceremonial concert.

Historical events are commemorated by songs, poetry, performances that are played out by the pupils.





- On this day Latvians wear special ribbons made in the flag colours because our red – white – red flag is one of the most visible Latvian symbols. The ribbon is visible on people's clothes to mark their patriotism.





Thank you!!

- Acest proiect a fost finanțat cu sprijinul Comisiei Europene.<0}
- Această publicație (comunicare) reflectă numai punctul de vedere al autorului și Comisia nu este responsabilă pentru eventuala utilizare a
 - informațiilor pe care le conține
- This project has been funded with support from the European Commission.
- This publication [communication] reflects the views only of the author, and the Commission cannot be held responsible for any use which may be
 - made of the information contained therein.

!