

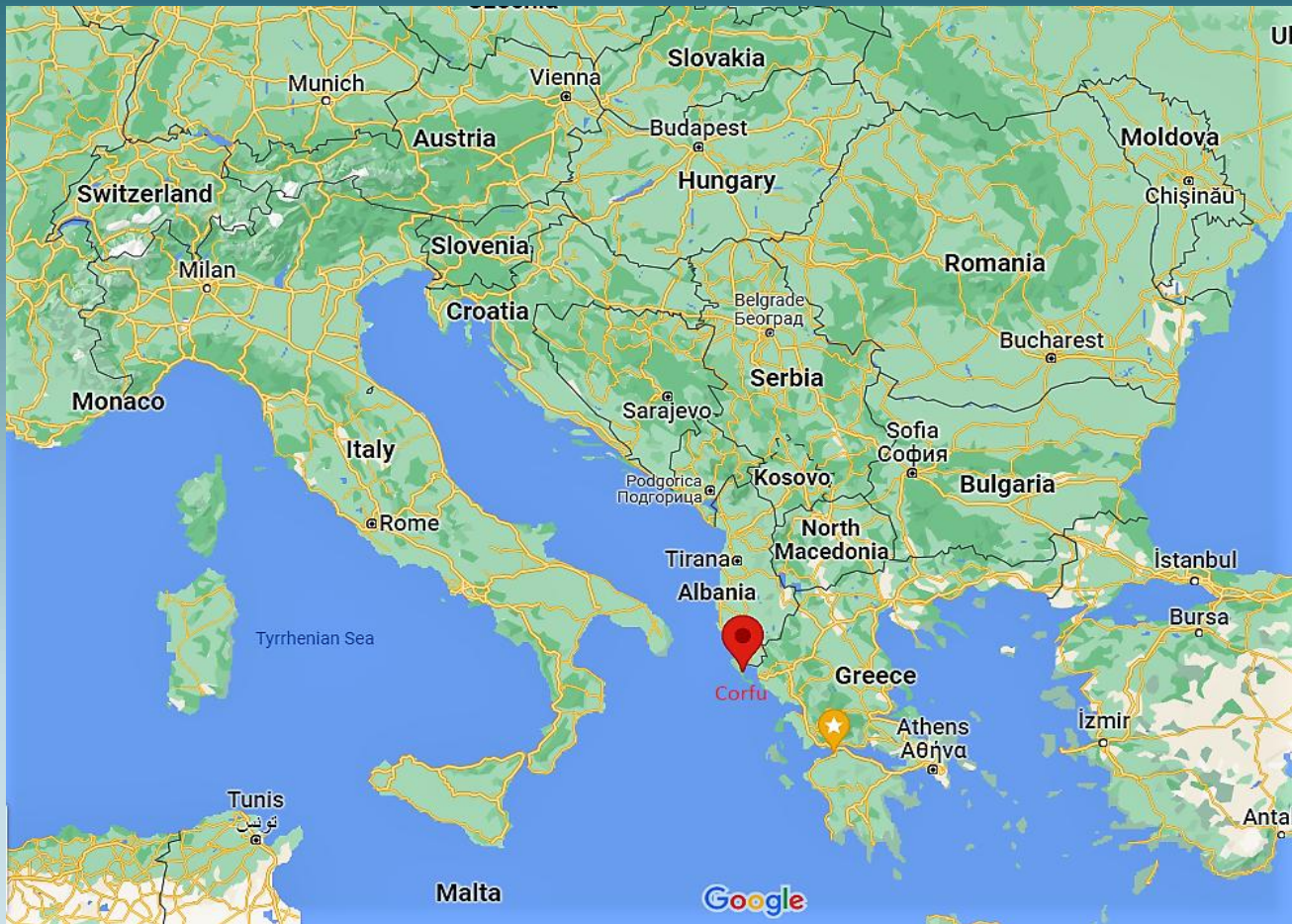


European Day
 of Languages
26 September
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- ❖ **Corfu or Kerkyra** as it is called in Greek, is an island in the Ionian Sea in the northwestern frontier of Greece
- ❖ 7th biggest island in Greece
- ❖ 120,000 inhabitants (40,000 of those living in the town of Corfu)



The Old Town of Corfu - UNESCO World Heritage Site





Corfu- a popular tourist destination

- ❖ Mediterranean climate- hot, rainless summers, mild and wet winters
- ❖ Beautiful beaches





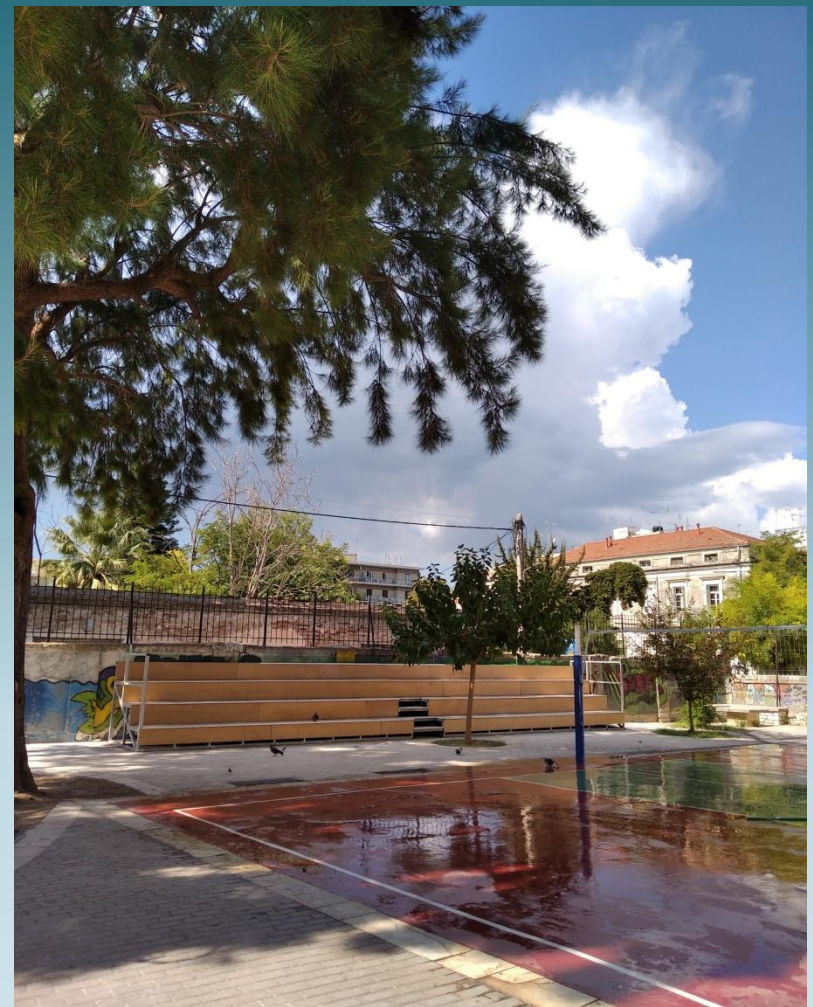
Learning foreign languages is very important on our island



5th Junior High School of Corfu

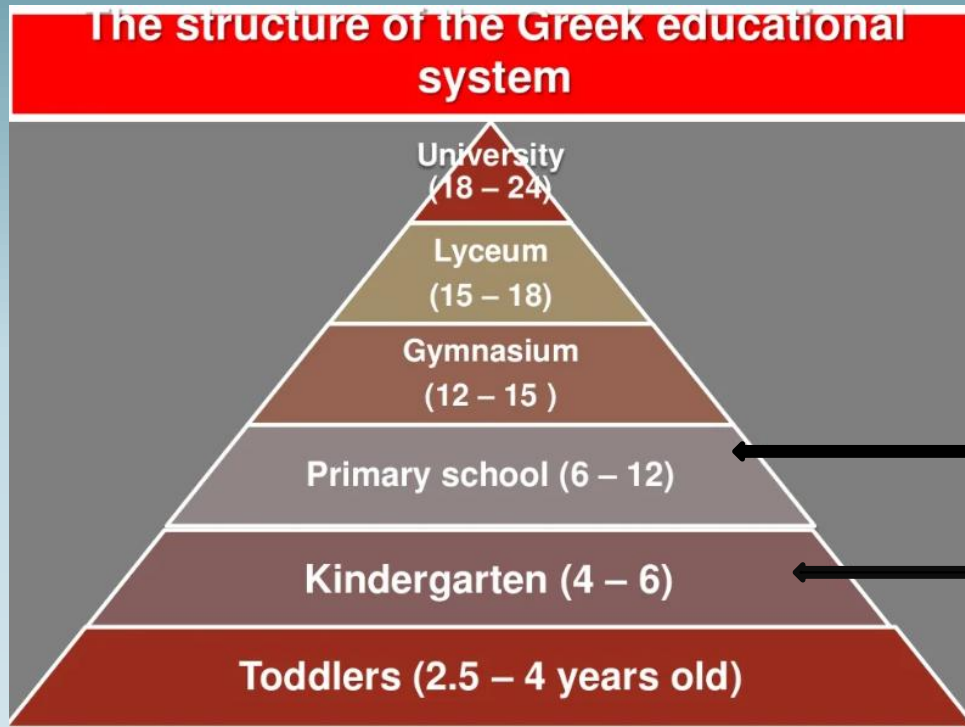
one the oldest and most centrally located schools in town.





- ❖ approximately 250 students
- ❖ school hours: 08:15- 13:45
- ❖ 6 or 7 teaching periods every day with 20 – minute breaks every two periods.

Educational system and foreign languages



German or French as a second foreign language from the 5th grade onwards

English as first foreign language



We believe in the need to learn a foreign language in order to:

- be able to understand a different culture
- travel
- make new friends,
- surf the net
- watch films or read books
- get a degree in order to get a better job

Unfortunately, the level of all foreign languages provided in public schools is intermediate



- many students sometimes have to attend after school language courses



We also learn ancient Greek at school



democracy

freedom

solidarity

*If we forget the ancient Greek culture that is expressed through **language**, then we risk losing faith in the ideals of Peace, Justice and Human Dignity.*

The ancient Greek language is not dead. It still exists in many **foreign language words** as well.

democracy

athlete

history



Europe has been named after the ancient Greek mythical deity Europa



← Legend of Europa and the bull on €2 coin.

You may know much more Greek than you think!

Words of greek origin:

Mathematics

Astronomy

Biology

Geography

Technology

Philosophy

Politics

Alpha	Α α	Iota	Ι ι	Rho	Ρ ρ
Beta	Β β	Kappa	Κ κ	Sigma	Σ σ
Gamma	Γ γ	Lambda	Λ λ	Tau	Τ τ
Delta	Δ δ	Mu	Μ μ	Upsilon	Υ υ
Epsilon	Ε ε	Nu	Ν ν	Phi	Φ φ
Zeta	Ζ ζ	Xi	Ξ ξ	Chi	Χ χ
Eta	Η η	Omicron	Ο ο	Psi	Ψ ψ
Theta	Θ θ	Pi	Π π	Omega	Ω ω



Pi (π)= 3,14159..

Modern Greek- our mother tongue

- **Modern Greek** is the language we use in our daily communication, enriched with many foreign words that we have introduced.
- There are words derived from Turkish, Persian, French, English.

Each language represents the world differently



the global community becomes richer in ideas, accepts diversity and sets the ground for international peace



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