







Nevypust' duši Don't let go of the soul

PUBLIC EDUCATION

PREVENTION

HELP

We strive for a world where no one is afraid to ask for help and discussion about mental health is part of everyday life.



According to the data...

- one in 10 children in the world already struggles with mental illness
- on average, less than 2% of state budgets are devoted to mental health care
- the main barriers to help-seeking are lack of education on the topic, stigma about seeking help, lack of trust in professionals and socio-economic barriers
- prevention is still not given enough attention & change should start in the environment where children spend the majority of their time: at school



But how do you find out what a safe school environment open to debate about mental health without the prejudice and stigma attached to mental illness looks like?

You ask the kids!









And let them know their mental health matters and deserves to be cared for.

Care Fair project Rumburk grammar school

- 14 members of advisory board (12 students, 2 teachers) & 9 project months
- HCD method students took on a valuable role in the whole process
- close cooperation with the school management
- 4 main topics: How to help a friend?, How to talk to my parents?, How to make our demands heard at school? and Inclusivity & diversity support
- Care Fair day & further sustainable support & covering topics at school





Wall of Wishes: What do I want to hear from my parents?

Planting oregano (Goodmind in Czech)





9 trial psychotherapy& 18 crisis intervention sessions

Relax zone covered with bubble wrap





A stamp-collecting game

Workshops for teachers & adults



Workshops for children & young people





Queer & Chill zone



Introducing current status of our topic and examples of good practice to the public

Dozens of purple balloons 🖤



Outcomes & Feedback

- 450 students & 60 adults attending
- 25 workshops & 11 participating services
- facilitated communication between students and teachers (Teacher's Lounge Mailbox) & school parliament
- students expanded their competencies in research methods and event management



350 questionnaires & 70 interviews show...

- great satisfaction with Care Fair day and the whole project
- intervention in raising the profile and normalising the topic of mental health
- students feel that they had been heard and empowered in their confidence in supporting and caring for those around them and in expressing their own views





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