

 <p><i>László Lőrinc</i> <b>Két Tannyelvű</b> <b>Általános Iskola és Gimnázium</b></p> <p>Budapest      Pasarét</p>		<p>Foundation date: 1860 Principal: László Zoltán Number of staff: 70 Number of classes: 25 Number of students: 764 Telephone/fax: 1-275-1097 E-mail: <a href="mailto:iskola@szabol-bp.sulinet.hu">iskola@szabol-bp.sulinet.hu</a> Website: <a href="http://www.szabol-bp.sulinet.hu">www.szabol-bp.sulinet.hu</a></p>
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### **The history of the school:**

Our school is situated in the second district of Budapest in the green belt, area. It is built under the Apáthy Cliffs, along the Ördögárok stream on Pasaréti Road. In the 1960s the school had around 1000-1200 students out of which there were over two hundred underprivileged children in government care. Until 1992 we operated as a Primary School Specialised in Physical Education. The fundamental aim of the school was to establish a system of strict and consistent curricular requirements as well as an efficient cooperation among students, teachers and parents. A lively community-life created the base of today's institutional traditions. Due to decline of student numbers in the 1990s the number of classes had to be reduced from three to two per grade. During this period parental demand on teaching foreign languages was taken into consideration and special language groups were introduced instead of specialisation in physical education. In 1995 making full use of our 24 classrooms available the school underwent a structural change and integrated a secondary section on top of the primary.

### **Our school today:**

Introducing secondary education, the school was given a new name after a famous Hungarian poet and literary translator Lőrinc Szabó. Since 1999 having undergone another structural change the school has been operating as a 13-grade bilingual primary and secondary school in 8+5-grade set up. The bilingual classes beginning in the first primary grade provide five English lessons and three other subjects in English per week. Our 9th-graders receive 20-hours of English tuition per week throughout the year. At the end of that year they sit an in-house FCE exam which is the threshold to the continuation of their further studies in the target language. Between grades 10 and 13 the following subjects are taught in English: Maths, Geography, Biology, History and Cultural Studies. Further foreign languages offered: German, French, Spanish and Italian. Since a merging in 2007 the close-by 15-classroom building of the former Fenyves Primary School has been operating as a premise of our school where our lower primary classes were moved to. With this move it was possible to increase the number of secondary school classes in the main building and to introduce a language preparatory year where students are learning English, German, French and Spanish, alternating each year.

We also emphasise the importance of providing computer skills and informatics, giving guidelines on healthy lifestyle and environmental consciousness. Teachers at our school are expected to be highly proficient in their subjects, pedagogically open, well-prepared and ready to up-date their professional knowledge just as our constantly developing world requires. The range of school traditions include several new ones operated by our Students' Board. Besides the celebration of national holidays we organize Christmas Concerts, Szabó Lőrinc Festivals, Science Week and Project Week every year. As well as our national holidays the important days of the English speaking cultures are celebrated, too. A wide selection of extra-curricular activities like music, art, drama clubs and sports are open to all our students.

We have sister-schools in Germany, Italy, USA and the Ukraine. In the summer students can take part in our Summer Camps at the Lake Balaton and in the Tatra mountains. In the winter our P.E. teachers take a group of our students on skiing trips either to Austria or Italy. 8-10 classes take part in nature reserve trips every June. In achieving our academic and pedagogical aims we receive some financial support from the Bányai Júlia Foundation.

### **School achievements:**

<b>School leavers getting into higher education after the final exam</b>					
<b>School terms</b>	<b>Final exam passes</b>	<b>Admitted to universities</b>	<b>Admitted to colleges</b>	<b>Admitted to higher technical schools</b>	<b>Not applied</b>
2006/2007	26 students	13 students (50%)	9 students (35%)	1 student (4%)	3 students (11%)
2007/2008	33 students	30 students (91%)		3 students (9%)	
2008/2009	39 students	38 students (97.5%)			1 student (2.5%)
2009/2010	40 students	38 students (95%)		1 student (2.5%)	1 student (2.5%)