



**KYIV INTERNATIONAL
SCHOOL**

Kyiv International School

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Week Without Walls 2026

Dear KIS Parents and Students,

We are delighted to announce the return of one of our most meaningful school traditions — Week Without Walls (WWW)! This annual experience allows students to step outside the classroom and learn through travel, teamwork, cultural exploration, and real-life adventure.

This year, our Middle School and High School students will travel to the beautiful Carpathian Mountains, staying in Vorokhta, a safe and welcoming town near Bukovel.

Safety & Location Information

We understand that safety is your top priority — and it is ours too.

Vorokhta Town has proven to be a **safe and calm** location:

- The area **does not experience missile sirens**.
- While the town does not have designated shelters, it has hosted numerous children's summer camps over the past three years, all of which have run safely and successfully.
- Students will stay at a hotel with WiFi and 4G, ensuring consistent connectivity.
- Each traveling group will be supervised by **4–5 teachers**, ensuring safety and support 24/7.

Meals & Cultural Activities

Students will enjoy three homemade meals per day, with a focus on delicious traditional Ukrainian cuisine. A special highlight will be a half-day cultural workshop at a Ukrainian museum, where students will:

- Make traditional motanka dolls, create pottery from clay, cook borscht or banush over an open fire.

If your child has food allergies, please ensure they bring the necessary medication.

In May, we will send out a list of recommended items to pack. Before the trip, students will participate in an assembly to receive instructions and ask questions.

This Year's WWW Programs

We are organizing three age-appropriate Week Without Walls experiences:

- **11-year-old students**

This group **will not be traveling**. Instead, they will participate in a Kyiv-based Week Without Walls program designed specifically for their age group. Activities will be local, engaging, and supervised. More details will be shared very soon.

- **Middle School (12–13-year-olds) and High School students**

These groups will travel together from **June 1–7** (final dates to be confirmed) to Vorokhta in the Carpathian Mountains.

Both traveling groups will stay at separate hotels and follow slightly different activity programs tailored to their age group. Transportation will be by train. Final logistics will be communicated soon.

Highlights include:

- Water rafting
- Hiking in the Carpathian Mountains
- Laser tag, paintball
- Swimming pool & sauna time
- Team-building activities
- Mountain biking
- Bukovel-aquapark

Option for Students Not Traveling

Students who choose not to participate in the Carpathian travel program **must still attend school**. Staying home is not permitted during [W/W/W](#).

A full Kyiv-based W/W/W program will be available for these students, with possible activities including:

- Blockbuster Mall visit
- Scavenger hunt / escape room-style challenges
- Rope climbing
- Museum excursions
- Study at school
- Close units

Students will cover the costs of the activities they participate in. More detailed information will follow once the weekly program is finalized.

Important Information

- A student assembly will be held in 1–2 weeks with full trip details.
- To reserve a place on the Carpathians trip, students must bring a \$150 deposit to the Business Office.
- **The \$150 deposit is nonrefundable** if a student changes their mind or becomes ineligible due to academic concerns.
- Interest is expected to be high. We plan to take **20–25 students** with 4–5 teachers per group, so early submission is recommended.

Deposit & Required Documents:

The **\$150 deposit is due by March 06 at 4:00 PM**. When submitting the deposit, students must also provide

1. Copy of their valid travel passport
 2. Completed and signed **"Student Regulations & Permission Acknowledgement – School-Sponsored Trips"** form, signed by both the student and a parent/guardian.
- All three items must be submitted together to the KIS Business Office. Please note that the Business Office **cannot accept payments without both required documents**.

Student Eligibility for the Travel Trip

To participate in the Carpathian travel trip, students must:

- Maintain strong academic performance
- Demonstrate positive behavior and regular attendance
- Successfully close at least 7 units by April 20
- Follow all school rules and expectations
- Submit a signed **"Student Regulations & Permission Acknowledgement – School-Sponsored Trips"**

Students who do not meet eligibility requirements may not be permitted to join the travel program.

Cost

The estimated cost of the travel trip is **\$450–\$500**, covering:

- Transportation
- Accommodation
- Meals
- All planned activities

We are thrilled to bring back Week Without Walls and provide all students — both travelers and those staying in Kyiv — with a meaningful, enriching, and memorable learning experience. If you have any questions, please contact me at anatoly-prima@kyiv.qsi.org.

Warm regards,

Mr. Prima

Athletic Director & Activities Coordinator