

The history of Skuodas district Mosėdis nursery-kindergarten

Mosėdis nursery-kindergarten was founded on September 16, 1960. in the rectory premises. The first head of the kindergarten, L. Švitinienė, gathered a team of 4 employees who worked with 14 children.



(The building where the kindergarten group started working on September 16, 1960)



(The first collective of children and workers)

The nursery group was opened in 1962 and the institution was named nursery-kindergarten. S. Paulauskienė started working as a leader.

Since September 1, 1968 the kindergarten estate expanded: 2 kindergarten groups were established, and the nursery school moved into a newly renovated building. The staff at that time: a music director L. Dabrienė and young specialists J. Bielevičiūtė, M. Pileckytė, B. Guobienė.





(The largest group of first-graders in the history of the kindergarten was sent to school in 1974. The employees who worked with them at that time: M. Jablonskienė, A. Galdikienė, A. Skruibienė, J. Intienė, L. Dabrienė, J. Kuprienė, B. Guobienė, B. Kusienė, G. Merkelienė, A. Čiunkienė, M. Kniūkštienė, J. Butkienė, the leader S. Paulauskienė, the teacher O. Ramonienė started working in the kindergarten in 1976.)



(The staff in 1977 are sitting from the left: J. Kuprienė, J. Butkienė, M. Kniūkštienė, the leader S. Paulauskienė, A. Čiunkienė, standing: A. Burbienė, L. Dabrienė, A. Skruibienė, B. Kusienė, A. Galdikienė, G. Merkelienė, O. Ramonienė, J. Intienė, B. Guobienė.)



(A group of children and the staff on graduation day.)

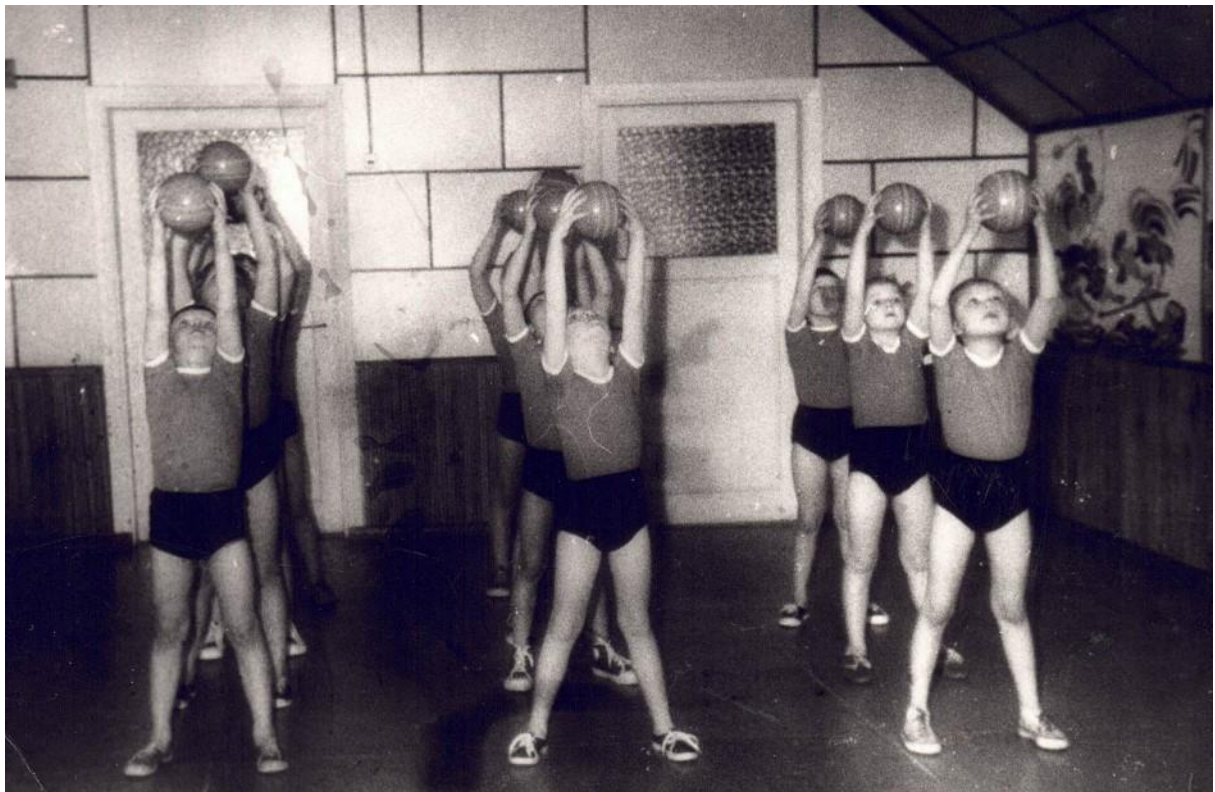


(In 1978, the collective farm gave a newly renovated building where the kindergarten group was located.)

In September, 1978 75 children attended the nursery school. According to age, they were divided into 4 groups. The leader S. Paulauskienė, educators J. Kuprienė, B. Guobienė, O. Ramonienė, A. Burbienė, V. Tubinienė and a music director L. Dabrienė worked with children having special secondary education. A medical nurse - J. Butkuvienė.

12 technical personnel worked in the kindergarten. Year by year, educational work improved. Particular attention was paid to children's self expression, versatile activities. Game corners were created in the groups.

In the newly equipped hall, there was an opportunity for musical and physical education.



In 1980-1981 in the nursery-kindergarten, 86 children were divided into 4 groups by age. One group worked 13 hours a day. The technical staff of the kindergarten consisted of 12 people who had been working for several years. Particular attention was paid to strengthening children's health and rational nutrition. When preparing children for school, attention was paid to the education and upbringing of children, their native language, and the production of tools. The partnership with the high school and other pre-school institutions in the district proceeded. Excursions were organized with the children of

the groups to the stone museum at various times of the year, to ongoing constructions, to collective farm workshops, horticulture greenhouses.



(Children develop working skills with the help of the teacher I.Krištapavičienė.)

September 1, 1987-1988, 83 children attend the nursery-kindergarten: 23 children in the nursery group, 60 in the kindergarten.

The institution employed 22 people, including 10 teachers.



(In 1988, employees who worked on that day: sitting from the left: K. Pilibaitytė, L. Dabrienė, A. Čiunkienė, A. Galdikienė, the leader S. Paulauskienė, B. Kusienė, standing - L. Drąsutienė, J. Kuprienė, A. Jasienė, A. Jonkienė, I. Kataržienė, J. Eidėjienė, I. Krištapavičienė, B. Guobienė, D. Jotkuvienė)

The tasks of that academic year: develop children's work skills, strengthen children's bodies, increase resistance to diseases, improve children's physical development, form and improve movements, create conditions for children's independent activities.

In 1989 - 1990 the pedagogues who worked in the kindergarten: J. Kuprienė, A. Leilionienė, L. Drąsutienė, I. Kataržienė, B. Guobienė, D. Jotkuvienė, the leader S. Paulauskienė, a music director L. Dabrienė. 76 children were being raised. Educators tried to create a national kindergarten with kindness and sincerity, to raise a virtuous, good, sincere child. In order to fulfill the planned tasks, the teachers created suitable conditions for the children to play, and decorated the groups with national attributes.

On September 1, 1990 - 1991 there were 55 children in the nursery-kindergarten: 8 in the nursery, 47 in the kindergarten. 23 people worked in the institution. The tasks were to inculcate folk traditions through the native language, folk songs, games and dances. The aim is to develop a virtuous personality in various activities, so that all opportunities in the field of physical education were used.

Educators participated in district-wide events, practical, methodical classes, excursions.

In 1991 - 1993 after the beginning of the preschool education reform, the number of children decreased. In 1993 The "Necklace" program of O. Monkevičienė's kindergarten was based on creative complex education of children. The progress of the preschool system was not limited to one program, therefore it was guided by the innovations of integrated education, the layouts of the "Šaltinėlis" program of the Klaipėda kindergarten, focusing on the indicators of children's maturity for school.

In 1994 - 1995 the kindergarten was headed by D. Jotkuvienė. The number of children decreased significantly, leaving 1 mixed age group with 11 children. According to the decision of the district council, 4 pedagogues remained. During that period, the pastor had already taken back 2 buildings and kindly asked to move out of the last building, where the kindergarten was housed as a tenant.

Since September 1, 1995 L. Drąsutienė took charge of the kindergarten. The former district authorities did not like the loss-making children's institution, so they sought to close the kindergarten. The most important thing was that Klaipėda county education did not agree to fulfill the aspirations of the district government. In 1995 the preparatory school age group was formed, the number of children

increased. Through the mediation of J. Matulevičienė, the head of the Skuodas education department, the pastor allowed temporary use of the premises. While A. Zaborienė was working as the music director, in 1995 a vocal ensemble of teachers was formed.

In 1996 the kindergarten moved to the premises of the school dormitory. With the help of employees, the education department, parents, and the township, the premises were repaired and a playground was installed.

On 1996 September 1 the institution started performing nursery-kindergarten functions in the new location. 17 children were baptized in the new facilities. When L. Kaubrytė worked as a music director, the kindergarten anthem was created. At that time, the teachers A. Leilionienė, B. Guobienė, D. Jotkuvienė, J. Kuprienė, L. Drąsutienė worked in the kindergarten. There were 2 groups, one of them was of mixed age with 18 children, 21 in the preparatory group. 10 employees worked. Educational tasks: create conditions for the child's active activities, which would develop the body, develop the child's mind, arouse emotions, feelings, develop the will; to enrich the child's inner world with traditional values of the local culture; to promote the child's need for self-expression and self-development, to nurture his uniqueness and individuality.

In 1997 - 1998 the mission of the kindergarten was to create a favorable environment for the child's education, to help reveal oneself and one's abilities, to nurture cultural and spiritual values. The vision is to lay the foundations for an intellectual, virtuous, healthy, proactive personality, ready to create and live in a democratic Lithuania.

In 1997 when V. Pajarskienė started working as a music director, the kindergarten turned in the direction of ethnoculture.

As the number of children increased, on January 12, 1998 a second preschool group was established.

Various events were held in the kindergarten - entertainment, relationship maintained with Plateliai children's nursery-kindergarten, specialists of Skuodas education department, cooperation with Skuodas pre-school institutions, trips to the town surroundings and to other districts were organized.

In 1998 - 1999 11 employees were employed, they modified the kindergarten program "Vėrinėlis", aiming educational reform and educational transformation. Children's education is based on activities based on ethno-cultural values. Institution's priorities: children's self-expression through various forms (ethnoculture, theater, music, art), ensuring the child's maturity for school. There are 17 children in the

mixed group, 14 children in both preschool groups. In October, an unusual event took place - naming the groups.

In 2000 - 2001 11 employees worked, including 6 teachers. 3 groups of children were educated. The staff's work was based on the concept of pre-school education, the kindergarten program "Vėrinėlis", resolutions adopted by the Ministry of Education and the municipality. Children's education is based on the principles of humanity, democracy and nationality. The entire kindergarten team pursued common goals, spread good experience, encouraged the children's creativeness, spreading the principles of self-understanding, freedom, love and order. Folkloric ensemble of children and educators, vocal ensemble of educators "Volungėlės" functioned in the institution, the head V. Pajarskienė.

In 2002 - 2003 30 children attended the kindergarten. There were 2 mixed groups; in the younger group there were 13 children, the tutors J. Kuprienė and L. Drašutienė worked with them, in the older group there were 17 children, with whom the tutors A. Leilionienė and D. Jotkuvienė worked. The institution had 10 employees, including 5 teachers. The institution's priorities were ethnic culture and moral values through children's self-expression. Great attention is paid to health, the directions of which are systematic hardening of children, increased movement of children, healthy food and nutrition culture.

After moving the pre-school group to school, the rooms for the rest of the children were freed up: the areas for nature, native language, and construction games were expanded, and children could choose their desired activities.

The vision is to lay the foundations for an intellectual, virtuous, healthy personality through comprehensive activities.

The mission is to ensure the children's development according to age characteristics, to create conditions for the children to reveal themselves and improve; to develop their self-expression, creative and cognitive powers, to develop communication experience; collaborative work and harmony between family and kindergarten.

The child's priorities are health protection and healthy lifestyle development; ethnic culture and moral values through children's self-expression; the professional development of pedagogues is the main condition for the quality of education.



(Plants donated by doctor V. Intas are being planted.)



(The children visited Mosèdis Primary Health Center)

In the beginning of 2003 - 2004, 3 groups functioned: a younger mixed-age group with 14 children, of which 6 were of nursery age, an older mixed-age group with 14 children and an afternoon group with 5 children. There were a total of 10 employees, including 5 teachers.

The institution's priorities were health protection and healthy lifestyle development, ethnic culture and moral values through children's self-expression. The professional development of teachers is the main condition for the quality of education. The process of child education is imbued with national values. Small folklore, traditions of the elderly are integrated into cognitive and artistic activities. The folklore ensemble of the kindergarten delights not only the parents, but also the town community of Mosėdis.

The project "Stimulating environment for a child's health and self-expression" was written on the initiative of the leader. Found sponsors: "Grūdoteka" the owner A. Kaveckas, "Kūlis" the owner A. Kataržis, PĮ the owner P. Leilionas, UAB "Mirilda" the owner A. Reliuga, "Mittet" the director J. Kabalinienė, UAB "Skalsa" the owner A. Sendrauskas. Contacts were established with the Parchów commune in Poland. L. Drąsutienė, A. Leilionienė, B. Kusienė together with the delegation of Mosėdis community visited the village. Contacts with the Mosėdis secondary school, the town hall were maintained. There were meetings with the preschool class, visits to the school library. The educators wanted the children to learn as much as possible about their town, so they took the children for a walk in the park, visited the stone museum, the homestead of Dr. V. Intas, as well as fur and linen workshops. Connections have also been established with the Norwegian Bratvaag Kindergarten.

In 2004 - 2005 3 groups were formed in the kindergarten: nursery school - 11 children, with whom teachers D. Jotkuvienė, M. Leilionienė worked, middle school - 12 children, teachers J. Kuprienė, L. Drąsutienė worked with them. A. Leilionienė, M. Leilionienė worked in the older group of 14 children. A hall was equipped, which provided an opportunity to develop children's health and self-expression. On the initiative of the leader, the project "Creating and strengthening the environment of the preschool education group" was written. The goals and objectives were foreseen for the project: to create favorable conditions for the child's comprehensive education by satisfying his natural needs, to stimulate imagination, to help the child's personal development, to expand the experience of social and cultural competence, to protect the child's health, to guarantee his safety, to foster the child's independence, self-confidence, to promote the child's creativity, cognitive abilities, fostering the desire to be a student, strengthening partnership relations with parents, school.

2005 - 2006 the institution's priorities: the development of moral and ethnic values through children's self-expression and appropriate maturation of children for school.

45 children attended the kindergarten, consisting of 3 groups and 7 children of the afternoon pre-school group. 11 attended the nursery-kindergarten group, teachers M. Leilionienė and L. Drąsutienė worked with them. A. Leilionienė and M. Leilionienė worked with them in the junior group of 14 in the kindergarten. 13 - in the older group of the kindergarten, J. Kuprienė, D. Jotkuvienė worked with them. 7 children in the afternoon group were raised by D. Drąsutienė - a newly hired teacher. That year L. Bernotienė joined the ranks of pedagogues.

In that year, the project "Growing and getting stronger" was written, which required educators to help children find out about the concept of health ; try to avoid flat feet, strengthen muscles, develop balance, coordination, form correct posture skills, develop hand dexterity.

In order to achieve the set goals, the educators studied pedagogical-methodical literature, articles, and collected articles on health topics. Efforts were made to adapt non-traditional health methods and techniques to children's education. Health classes were organized every day. Finger exercise complexes were created and exercise was conducted. The children went outside more frequently, spent time in the park nearby.

In 2006 - 2007 48 children from the villages of Mosėdis, Puodkaliai, M. Kalniškis, Žebrokai, Kernai, Šatraminiai, Šekai, Šaukliai, Daukšiai, Nevočiai, Šatės attended the kindergarten. There were 11 children in the nursery, with whom educators M. Leilionienė, D. Jotkuvienė engaged in educational activities. There were 14 children in the younger group of the kindergarten with teachers J. Kuprienė, D. Drąsutienė, 13 children in the older group, teachers A. Leilionienė, D. Drąsutienė, 12 children in the afternoon preschool group, teacher L. Bernotienė.

Kindergarten priorities:

Creating suitable conditions for education and quality education.

Moral values and ethnic culture through children's self-expression.

When educating children in the institution, the aim is to protect and strengthen and nurture the child's mental and physical health, ensure a safe and healthy environment, awaken and nurture the creativity of the students, taking into account their inclinations, abilities and overall development.

The wellness project continued. Children acquired fine and gross motor skills and developed personal hygiene habits. The project "School of Culture" was carried out. The aim and tasks of this project were to improve the psychological atmosphere in the kindergarten, help the child to nurture moral values, and promote positive behavior of children. Funding was written and obtained for the project "Citizenship and Nationality". The biggest achievement is the modeling of the pre-school education program, which began to be implemented on September 1, 2007. Projects were also written in groups aimed at improving children's self-expression, speech, and acting.



(Teachers working in the kindergarten in 2006-2007: L. Bernotienė, D. Drąsutienė, D. Jotkuvienė, J. Kuprienė, A. Leilionienė, V. Pajarskienė, M. Leilionienė, D. Drąsutienė)

Pre-school is attended by children from the villages of Mosėdis, Šaukliai, Udraliai, Rukai, Šatės, Šatraminiai, Žebroakai, Kernai, Mikulčiai, Daukšiai, Puodkaliai, Igariai, Tauzai,

Šaučikiai. Mosėdis Children's Nursery School is a general purpose educational institution that provides early, pre-school education.

Children at their age of 1-3 are admitted to the nursery group, preschool groups— at the age of 3-5. The preschool is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.