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- Labor Day 1st May
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Latest News of SOFL



- **Details about the A Class Track 4 Progress Test exam are shared with students on May 2nd.**
 - **Student lists for the B Class Track 3 Progress Test make-up exams are announced on May 7th.**
 - **The B Class Track 3 Progress Test student lists are announced on May 13th.**
 - **The B Class Track 3 quiz appeal forms are announced on May 13th.**
 - **The A Class Track 4 Progress Test exam student lists are announced on May 20th.**
 - **The A Class Track 4 quiz appeal forms are announced on May 21st.**
 - **The B Class Track 3 Progress Test appeal forms are announced on May 27th.**
 - **Erasmus exam details are shared with students on May 27th.**
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May 1st

International Workers' Day



May 3rd

World Press Freedom Day



May 4th

International Firefighters' Day



1st Sunday in May

World Laughter Day



May 12th

International Nurses Day



May 19th

Commemoration of Atatürk, Youth and Sports Day



**“ Shall I compare thee to a summer’s day?
Thou art more lovely and more temperate:
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer’s lease hath all too short a date:”
(Sonnet 18)**



**English playwright and poet William Shakespeare wrote
these well-known lines in 1609.
Let’s take a look at some interesting facts about his life.**

- **Shakespeare put a curse on his grave.**



**“Good friend for Jesus’ sake forbear,
To dig the dust enclosed here:
Blest be the man that spares these stones,
And curst be he that moves my bones.”**



- In Shakespeare's time, women were not allowed to be on stage. Consequently, female roles were played by teenage boys.



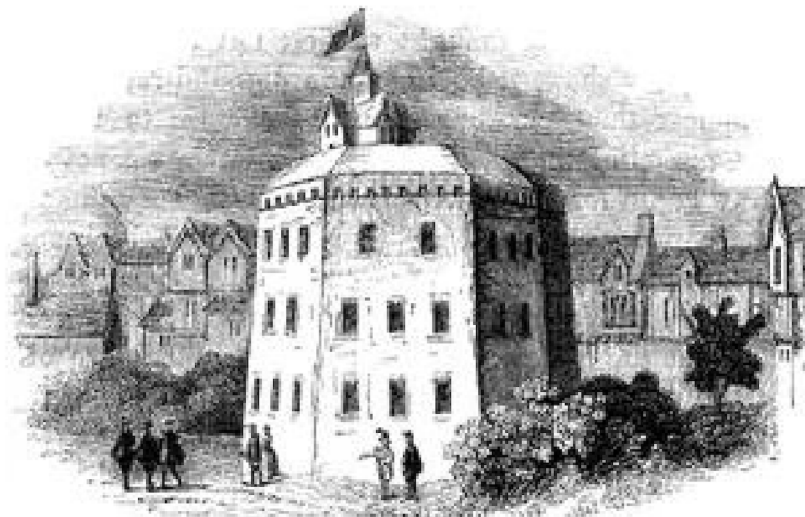
The writer of the book *Actors and Acting in Shakespeare's Time* John H. Astington points out that “A seventeen or eighteen-year-old youth playing a female role would not look or sound the same as a twelve-year-old boy; male performers of such diverse ages appeared together on stage in female roles in the pre-Restoration theatre, usually with the older actors in the longer and more taxing roles” (2010).

- **Despite the fact that Shakespeare was considered as one of the most inspiring writers during his life time, he was criticized by the writer Robert Greene. According to Greene, Shakespeare was an ‘upstart crow’.**
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**Upstart Crow, starring David Mitchell as William Shakespeare and Mark Heap as Robert Greene.
(From a British sitcom which was based on the life of William Shakespeare)**

- **Due to the fact that plague broke out in London in late 1600s, theatres had no chance but to be closed. Therefore, Shakespeare turned his face to poetry more.**



Globe Theatre, London

Did you know?



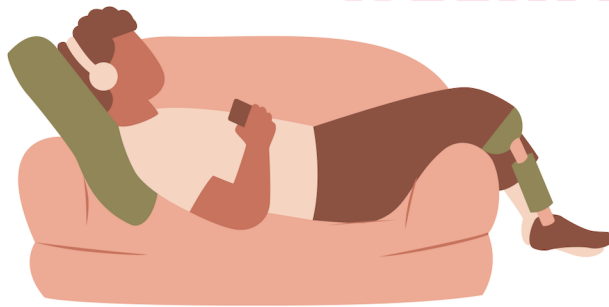
- **French was an official language of Great Britain for around 300 years.**



- **It is illegal to kill a swan in the UK.**
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English Idioms

RELAX



Let your hair down

enjoy yourself and start to relax

Against the clock

rushed and short on time



English Riddles



If Teresa's daughter is my daughter's mother, what am I to Teresa?

1. Grandmother
2. Mother
3. Daughter
4. Granddaughter
5. I'm Teresa

Answer: Daughter

A man looks at a painting in a museum and says, "Brothers and sisters I have none, but that man's father is my father's son." Who is in the painting?

Answer: The man's son



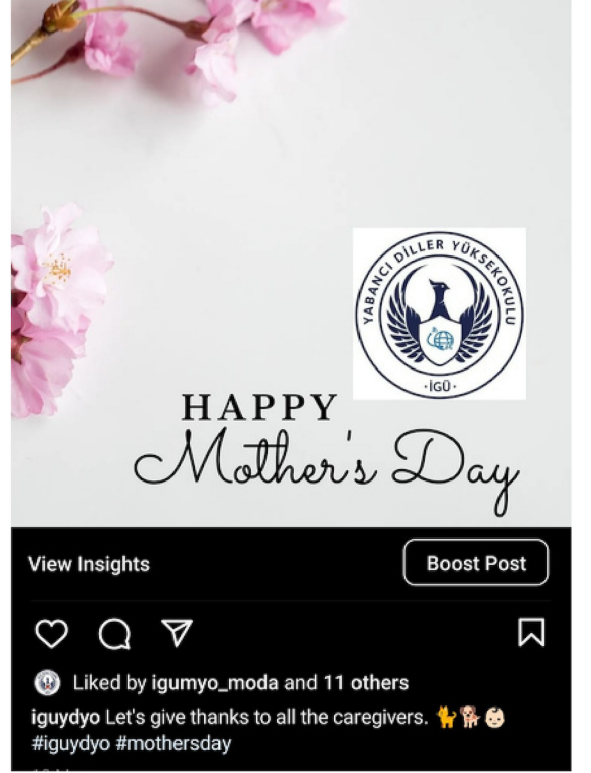
Our Staff's Academic Activities



Our instructor Ege İ. Mülayim presented his paper titled “Constructing Artistic Agency: Creative Endeavour and Time in Virginia Woolf’s Mrs Dalloway, To the Lighthouse, and The Waves” at the 2nd Student Conference: “Literatures in English” held in Tekirdağ Namık Kemal University.



Our School On Social Media

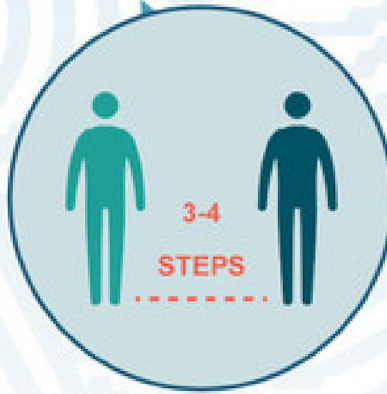




PROTECTING FROM THE VIRUS IN OUR HANDS



COVER YOUR MOUTH AND NOSE
WITH DISPOSABLE PAPER TISSUES
DURING COUGHING AND SNEEZING.
IF THERE IS NO TISSUE, USE THE
INNER SIDE OF YOUR ELBOW.



AVOID CLOSE
CONTACT SUCH
AS HANDSHAKING
AND HUGGING.



AVOID CROWDED
PLACES AS MUCH AS
POSSIBLE.



DO NOT TOUCH YOUR
MOUTH, NOSE AND EYES
WITH DIRTY HANDS.



WASH YOUR HANDS WITH
WATER AND REGULAR
SOAP FOR AT LEAST 20
SECONDS.



USE HAND SANITIZER IF
THERE IS NO WATER AND
SOAP.