

# THE EUROPEAN FOOD PASSPORT PROJECT

## SCHOOL PROFILE

COUNTRY: HUNGARY

Name of School: ARANY JÁNOS ÁLTALÁNOS ISKOLA ÉS GIMNÁZIUM

Head teacher: dr. Horváthné dr. Hidegh Anikó

Co-ordinator: Dr. Nagypatakiné Hajzer Anna

Number of students: 793

Age of students: 6-20

Brief Description of School

Arany János Primary and Grammar School is based on the middle of the town among other public buildings and offices. It is a kind of school where some of its students - who have special educational needs (SNI)- are integrated socially among mainstream students.

There is a special section for SNI students. All of them have moderate or severe learning difficulties and about half of them have multiply difficulties and some of them live with autism, too. At 28<sup>th</sup> of September 2006 a new part of the school will be opened for autistic students who come from different settlements of the region.

### **Brief Description of town/region**

Százhalombatta is a dynamically developing young industrial town along the Danube 27 km south of Budapest.

The two great industrial plants - the oil refinery and the power station - make the town known as one of the main chemical and energy centers of the country yet this settlement can offer numerous scenic spots, cultural and sport events, festivals and social programs. There is developed infrastructure, network of well-equipped institutions: four primary schools, two secondary grammar schools, kindergartens, a lately renovated medical center, a municipal recreation center with swimming pools, a sport arena and a library.

The Barátság cultural center can be found in the middle of the town and it consists of a 400 seated theatre a cinema and exhibition halls. It hosts several cultural and artistic activity groups, clubs, etc. Perhaps the most famous is the Forrás folk dance group which has an international reputation and every year since 1994 they organize a week of international folk dance forum called Summerfest.

Our town is also rich in archeological sites. The first groups of people settled here 4000 years ago in the Neolithic Age but the most important

remains are from the Bronze Age and the Early Iron Age. The burial place of the significant persons of the Early Iron Age inhabitants is the tumulus graveyard with its 120 mounds. This 6 hectare territory presently functions as an Archeological Park. This pre-historic open-air museum is unique in the whole of Europe where authentic copies of houses, outbuildings and ovens unearthed on Bronze and Iron Age sites can be seen. In the tumulus the remains of a crypt can be viewed accompanied by a spectacular multimedia presentation. With the help of sound and light effects the visitors can get acquainted with the funeral rite and beliefs of the era.

The coordinator

