

The system of education  
in  
the Czech Republic

Josef Pavlata, TL2

# History

- **1774** the Queen Marie Terezie set up the compulsory school attendance (teaching in the German language—Austrian and Hungarian Empire)
- Since **1848** – teaching in the Czech language
- **During World War II** - German again
- **After World War II** - teaching in Czech until nowadays

# At school in 1915



# Dividing

## 1. Nursery schools

- For children from 3 to 6

## 2. Basic schools (1. and 2. stage)

- For 9 years (compulsory school attendance)
- Education is compulsory for all children



## 3. Conservatoire

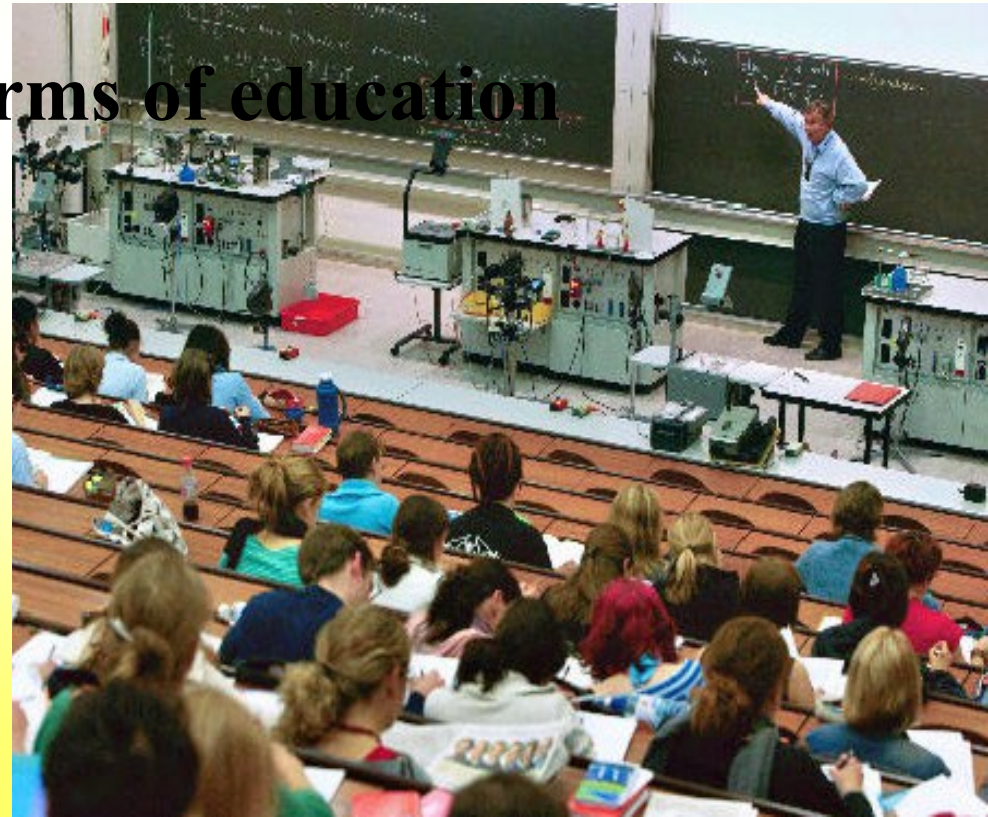
- Since the passed 1. stage of basic school
- For children talented in dance or music
- For 6 years

#### **4. Secondary education (high school)**

- a) With school-leaving exam „maturita“  
(4 years)
- b) With apprenticeship certificate (2-3 years)

#### **5. Higher (university) forms of education**

- a) Bachelor study (3)
- b) Master study (4-5)
- c) Doctoral study (5-6)



# Charles University in Prague

- **1348** established by the king Charles IV.
- The first university in middle Europe  
( there had only been Bolognese and Paris universities before)
- First 4 faculties
- Today 17 faculties



# School time & holidays

- 5 days a week, 4-8 lessons a day (depends on the kind of school – primary 1st form – 4, high school - 7)
- Lessons start at 8 p.m.
- Usually no lunch break
- Main holidays – July, August
- Christmas holidays – 2 weeks
- Spring holidays – 1 week in February/March