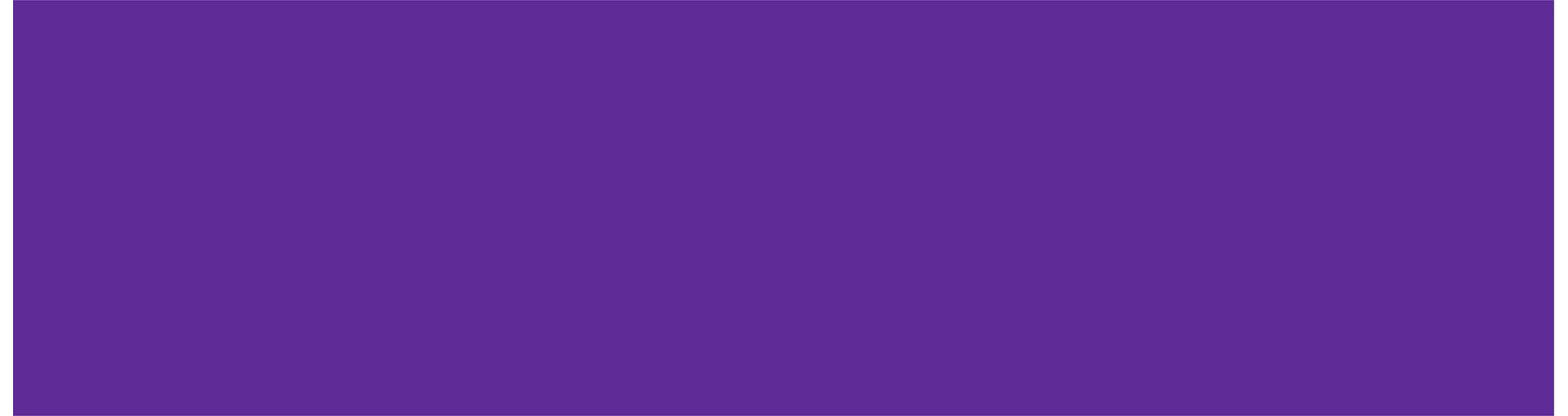


TRIP TO GERMANY

1 December-8 December 2018



Erasmus+ purpose

The main object of this trip was to learn more about cyberbullying and its effects in our society and also to interact with people from other countries. In this case, we interacted with people from Germany, Turkey, Poland, Greece and Romania.



María's week

Day 1: After all the day travelling, we finally arrived to Hamm, the Germany families were waiting for us in the train station. When we arrived home, Lisa's family showed me the house and after a long time talking with the family and organizing my luggage we went to Lisa's aunt house to have dinner with all the family. They were very nice, I explained them all my culture and typical things in Spain and in my city and they explained me everything about Germany.

Day 2: We spent all the morning in the house because it was raining, so we played some games with all the family. Then in the afternoon we went to a city called Una where we saw a very beautiful Christmas market and where I met a Greece girl called Elena and Lisa's friend called Emma. Elena and I tasted some Germany food and we also bought some presents for our families.

Day 3: In the morning we went to the school, and we arrived we realised that the teachers had prepared a breakfast for all the students. Then, we went to the town hall, where we met the mayor, and she told us everything about Hamm: its history, its monuments... When we arrived to the school we made some workshops with the teachers of the school, we worked with wood, cooper...

María's week

Day 4: It was the second day that we went to the school. We went to a technology museum in Paderborn. There we had a tour guide that explained us everything and then we had free time to go around and try every machine. I really had a good time. In the afternoon I went shopping some presents for my family with my partner Lisa and she showed me some things in Hamm.

Day 5: in the morning we went to the school, where a professional taught us how to use some iPad's apps. After that we made some groups and each group made a video about cyberbullying or about selfies. In the afternoon Lisa and I met Dragos(a Romanian guy) and his partner HKH in Dortmund, where we saw the beautiful Christmas market. We arrived late and the family told me to leave my shoes outside because San Nikolaus was coming.

Maria's week

Day 6: When we woke up the little sister of Lisa brought us our shoes with a lot of candies that San Nikolaus. Then we went to the school where we took the bus to Münster. After the tourist guide, they gave us free time to do whatever we want, so Pilar and I went shopping and we went to take photos of the city... In the afternoon we had the dinner with all the people from other countries and with their families. It was an amazing day

Day 7: In the morning we went to school, and we made all the presentations of our countries. Then we went to a water park, where we spent all the morning. It was very interesting and fun because in Spain we aren't used to that type of parks. In the afternoon Lisa and I went ice skating, but all my friends from Spain and 2 guys from Turkey went too. It was one of the best days there.

Day 8: We spent all day travelling and talking about our experience.

Conclusion

The erasmus + project gave me the opportunity to travel to Germany. In this week I have learned a lot about every culture , I have met incredible people that I would never forget and I have probably experienced one of the most enriching experiences of my life. I have also improve my knowledge about cyberbullying and the danger of the internet. I will never regret to recommend this experience because it was unforgettable.

Pilar's week

Day 1: after a long day we finally reached Hamm, our host families were there waiting to pick us up and drove us home. When I arrived home I met the rest of the family and Caroline, her little sisters, her boyfriend and me went to their local Christmas Market. We spent a few hours there, everything was really cute and Caroline and David explained to me how they celebrated there that time of the year and all their traditions. When the Christmas Market closed we went back home and we had dinner with the rest of the family, it was an exhausting day.

Day 2: the family allowed me to sleep until it was late in the morning, when I finally woke up I had a typical breakfast with the family and the rest of the morning I spent it with Caroline playing card games, talking... In the afternoon some friends of hers came home. Maja with Jorge and David with Alex, we baked some cookies and also played Uno. When they left I had dinner with Caro and her older sisters and went to sleep.

Day 3: it was Monday and they took us for the first time to school where they had prepared a big breakfast for all the Erasmus team. When we finished it they took us to the Town Hall. there we met the mayor and she explained to us interesting facts about Hamm, after that we went back to the school and did some workshops, such as arts, things made of wood... I had loads of fun.

Day 4 : our second day of school, we had an excursion, all the exchange students and their respective partners went to a technology museum, where they gave us a tour and explained the start of technology. That same afternoon some friends of Caro and I went bowling and it was quite fun, although I'm really bad at it.

Day 5: when we arrived at school they informed us that we were going to have a talk about some tools and the usage of Ipad's because that same day we had to do a video about cyberbullying and selfies with our respective partners plus another couple. They gave us the whole morning to do so and we also had to do our own music, we had a deadline and when it finished we showed our videos to the rest. After we finished school we took a bus and we went with some friends to Dortmund, we spent there the whole evening and I bought some gifts to my family.

Day 6: when we woke up San Nikolaus had come to our house and Caroline's little sisters brought me a shoe full of candies, then the mom drove us to school. It was the best morning of the whole week, we went to Munster and we visited the city, they gave us a small tour of the city and after that we had free time to visit the city in our own. Maria and I explored the city, got lost and took loads of pictures. Later that day we had a dinner at school with the rest of the Erasmus + group to say goodbye to the countries that were leaving the next day.

Day 7: it was our last day going to school. All the groups explained the presentations of their respective countries and when we all finished them a bus took us to a water park. We spent there all the morning and it was really fun. To finish the day a group of friends and I went ice skating, it was one of the best days of the week.

Day 8: it was a busy day and we spent it talking about the week and our experience in Germany.

Conclusion

This experience has allowed me to live an amazing week, in this trip I've met fantastic people and also I've been able to discover a whole new culture. Erasmus + has given me the chance to travel to Germany and it's honestly one of the best things that has ever happened to me. I've also learned multiple things about a safer use of the internet and cyberbullying. I hope many more people in the future can take part in the Erasmus+ group, because I'm sure they'll live a life-changing experience just like I did.

Our first day at school/meeting the mayor



Ice skating



Münster



Farewell dinner



Maria and Pilar with the girls from Greece.

Dortmund



THE END

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