Erasmus + visit to Poland

 March 27th - 31st ten Kaltinėnai Aleksandras Stulginskis Gymnasium second grade and third-grade students, the principal of gymnasium Virginijus Andrejauskas and history teachers Nomeda Kasmauskaitė and Laima Baltutienė, visited Eastern Poland, Lukow (Łuków) city. The meeting was also attended by representatives from Greece, Bulgaria, Romania and Spain.

 Monday morning was dedicated to become acquainted with the local clinic „Ortodentika“ and meat factory „ Łuków“. There we met with specialists, watched their work places, measures, saw, how meat products are produced. In the afternoon we visited the Lukow Municipality where occurred opening ceremony of the project. Students of each country made presentations about natural resources, labor sector. Our III gymnasium grade students Viktorija Eitutytė, Deimantė Kelpšaitė and Robertas Baltutis prepared a presentation about the Lithuanian agriculture. After presentations, Polish representatives introduced the local labor market. In the evening, the hosts entertained us with beautiful performances, dances and songs. Each country had to show their traditional dances, too. Beautiful music and excellent mood didn‘t allow to leave the dance floor for a long time.

 On Tuesday we went to „Stadler“ Train factory, and later to Warsaw, the capital of Poland. At first, we visited the old town of Warsaw, which fascinated us by its architecture. The rest of the day we spent in Copernicus Science Center. This center - one of the most modern museums in Europe. There we could watch not only the exhibits, but also to try them ourselves. In interactive hall we created various projects, trained logical thinking, survived the „Titanic“ disaster, watched natural phenomena and saw so many interesting things. Inside the Copernicus Science Center is planetarium where we watched the stars and planets and were introduced with the history of aviation.

 On Wednesday we went to the beautiful Polish capital, Warsaw, too. In Theater „Studio Buffo“ we watched the performance " Dracula" in the modern version. Actors surprised and entertained the audience inspiring this history with the 21st century spirit. In the afternoon we visited Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw (Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University). During the lectures, we learnt about owls feeding habits, studied the differences between male and female skulls, together with Professor Krzysztof Turlejski tried to answer the question "To be or not to be a scientist?". In this university, Polish representatives provided CLIL lesson about the heart and blood circulation.

 Excellent Thursday morning we started with a visit in dairy factory "Spomlek“. In this factory we saw how to produce dairy products, were introduced with the installations, tasted cheese. After that, we came back to shool (Gimnazjum nr 2 imienia księdza Stanisława Konarskiego) and participated in the concert and award ceremony of the contest "Traditional Profession in my country". Polish students sung songs in English, Russian and German languages. Also, we enjoyed the instrumental performances. The guests were impressed. With the same good mood we all participated in Lithuanian, Bulgarian and Spanish CLIL lessons. Lithuanians provided the lesson about agriculture. The IIg gymnasium grade students Aušra Vitaitė, Aistė Kasparavičiūtė, Karolina Baltrušytė, Dovilė Petrauskaitė, Dajana Latvys, Deimantė Košytė and Mikas Kaminskaswere great teachers!

 On Friday, the last day of the visit, we went to the clothing factory "Łuksja“. We got to know the history of this factory, what installations for the production are used, saw how the clothes are sewed. After visit in „Łuksja", we came back to school. Then we filled in mobility passports, evaluations. At the end of the day, we met in a goodbye ceremony. During the event, all participants of the project were awarded with certificates, danced different dances, tasted delicious meals. We made a lot of new friends. Unfortunately, in the next morning,we had to say goodbye to them.

 The visit passed unnoticeably. Erasmus + project gave us an opportunity to get acquainted with the culture of another country, learn new things and meet so many warm and honest people, who have already become a part of our family. The memories will remain for a long time. This visit is over, but new impressions and adventures are already waiting for us. Soon we will meet our Erasmus + project friends in sunny Spain! We kindly appreciate the experience we could gain in Poland, thank you, dear friends, for every single effort you made for us!