



ERASMUS+ KA2 PROJECT, STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS/EXCHANGES OF GOOD PRACTICES, INSIDE OUT

In the framework of the Erasmus+ project, KA2, *Strategic Partnerships / Exchanges of Good Practices, Inside out*, a meeting was held from 27th to 31st January 2020 in Sliač, in Slovakia. Several teachers and students from our school as well as from all our partner schools, namely Dukdalf (Leiden, the Netherlands), Szkoła Podstawowa Mari Konopnickiej (Czeladź, Poland), Mehmet Akif Ersoy İlkokulu (Izmir, Turkey), Banagher College Colaiste na Sionna (Banagher, Ireland) and Základná škola Andreja Sládkoviča (Sliač, Slovakia) took part in this meeting.

On the first day, we were nicely welcomed by the Mayor of Sliač. Then we were granted with an interesting traditional singing/musical performance in the Town Hall. “Fujara”, a very interesting typical instrument, was played in it. Afterwards, we got to know the premises of the Slovakian school.

Along the week, all the project students got involved in dancing, Art and 3D workshops. In multilingual groups, they also discussed “My ideal free time”, “My ideal school” and “My ideal city”. They did works under the topic “What are our school rules?”. Videos about each school and about “A day in my school” were viewed by all. In “Terra Permonia”, students, as well as some teachers, were enthusiastically carried away by their creativity: they created their own items in several available materials. Then they could take them home.

We also got to know the towns Banská Bystrica, Špania Dolina and Banska Štiavnica. We visited the historical school of Jozef Mystrik. We were informed about the importance of the copper mining in the region centuries ago. In fact, in 1490, J. Fugger, using a specific and innovative copper mining process, outstandingly expanded his successful business. Later it gave way to the founding of the leading copper mining corporation in Europe, known as the “European Fugger Road” (apart from Slovakia, it extended to other several countries, such as Germany, Austria, Italy, etc). The copper mining came to an end more than two centuries after its beginning. We visited a silver mine, too. In the air base of Sliač, those who so wished

could try the experience of “flying” in a simulator, which gave the perfect sensation of really piloting.

Once again, the Erasmus+ mottoes “Enriching lives” and “Opening minds” were put into practice in this meeting. By the end of it, surely all the participants had become innerly richer and had broadened their horizons.