



# Learning differently Croatia



In the program follow-up you will find out more about the impression of participants who visited and experienced Romania. Furthermore, allow us to introduce our creative corner for fairy tale reading.

Creative corner was created and designed with joy and with as many natural materials as possible. Our vision was to introduce our country, Croatia, through traditional folk costumes of our region.. Project participants had the opportunity to experience and see in person Romanian folk costumes.

Surely, the best representation of a given country are their scientists and visionaries, whom we managed to gather in the last enclosure. Read it, maybe the very thing you use on a daily basis was invented by a Croat (like a pen).

We believe the impressions of our student to be the most important effectiveness measure of the project. We are pleased to present the interviews of our students with their hosts. We cannot ignore the mutual satisfaction and happiness. Enjoy!



#### Interview with Marian Toşcuța, the host of Martin Štritof, student from Croatia



- How do you go to school? I go to school by car.
- What do you do in your free time? I have football practises.
- What languages do you learn at school? At school we learn English, Romanian and French.
- What workshop was your favorite? My favorite workshop was drama workshop.
- What is your favorite subject?
  My favourite subjects are Art, Music, English and Sport.

My trip to Romania was so interesting. I met new friends and people that were so kind and nice. All workshops were my favourite because we were learning together in the fun way. Greetings from Croatia!

Martin

#### Interview with Andrei Asiminicesei, the host of Matija Matalin, student from Croatia



- How do you go to school?

  I live near school so I go on foot.
- When does your school start? At 8 o'clock.
- What grades do you get at school?

  I am excellent at Music, Maths, Romanian language and Dancing.
- Have you got any hobbies? Yes, I go dancing.
- What school subjects are your favorite? Music, Sport and English.

I really enjoyed Romania. I was impressed by workshops where I met new friends. I think this project was very good because we have met new friends, traveled the world, and improved the knowledge of English.

#### Interview with Demis Burlacu, Darius' father, the host of Vid Frkanec



#### • What's living in Botoşani like?

It's peaceful, the people are kind and good, they can not live in a city like Bucharest and they love living here. It is not cheap but it is not too expensive either. The quality of life depends on work: good job, good money; bad job, bad money.

## • When does your school start and how do you feel when you're at school? Describe.

School starts at 8 AM. It's a pretty good school, they have good teachers and they learn a lot. The school has 1000 students and everything is clean and nice.

- Do you have any hobbies or something you are interested in?

  Darius is interested in music and Ancient history, Romans and Greeks. His favourite singer is Eminem and he loves football. I play football at the local club and I love it.
- Do you want to visit Croatia and what do you know about Croatia? I know that Croatia is a small country, that you have the Adriatic sea, that Zagreb is the capital of Croatia, that you won the second place at the World Cup, and that you have a woman for president. I've never been to Croatia but I want to visit it.

## • Do you love your country and would you stay here till the end of your life?

I love my country, we are patriots and we want to stay in it till the end of our lives.

Through the project we learnt so much and we also had a good time in Romania. We acquainted some new friends which are amiable, communicative and very cheerful. Darius' (my host) home was great. He and his parents were so kind and good to me, I could have only wished upon it.

# Students creative works

We had a class about Croatian Tales of Long Ago, a book written by the famous Croatian writer, Ivana Brlić Mažuranić. Students learned what is a fairytale and its characteristics. They enjoyed making the book characters with natural materials and they were very creative. It was a correlation of History, Art and Nature.







Male and female traditional clothing of our region.

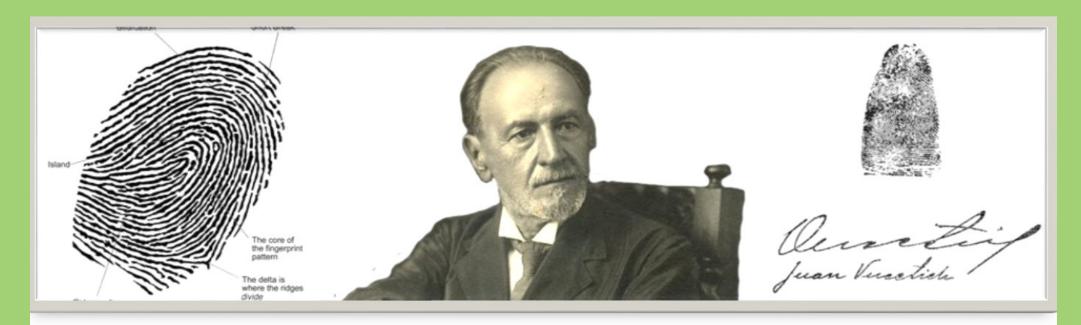
KUD Pušća (Folk Dance Ensemble of Pušća) has been successfully operating for over 15 years.

From its forming years, the society has respectably preserved traditional folklore music, dance, and customs from almost all Croatian regions.

KUD Pušća nurtures positive relationships and collaboration with other folklore ensembles from the country and outside its borders, exchanging visits to promote cultural tolerance.



# Famous people in Groatia



Ivan Vučetić
the inventor of dactyloscopy

Dactyloscopy - the science of fingerprint identification. It studies papillary ridges, formed in various shapes on fingers, hands and feet, in order to identify or prove the identity of living and dead people or criminals



# Eduard Slavoljub Penkala

His work includes 70-80 inventions in the field of mechanics, chemistry, physics, aeronautics (aviation), etc. He was also working on the development of mechanical pencils and pens.



