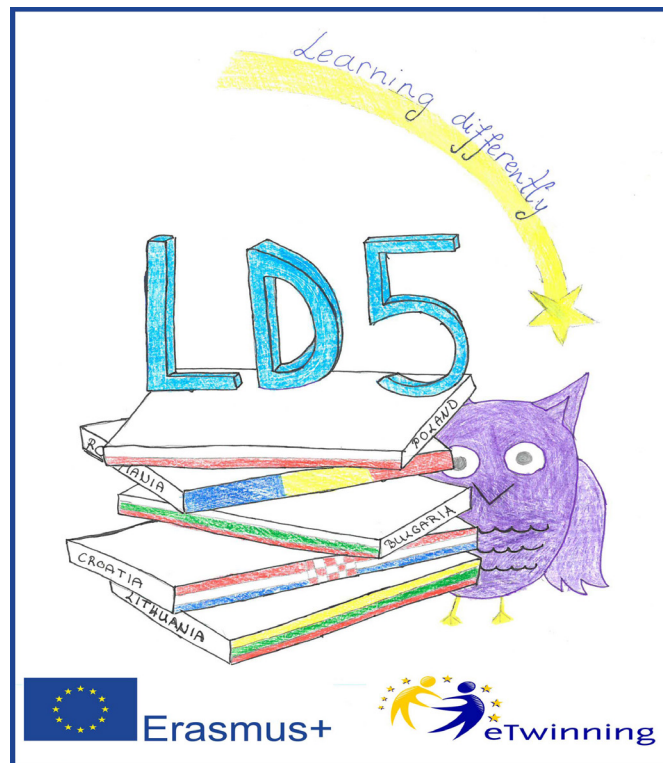




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Learning differently Poland

Poland

We visited this beautiful port on the Black Sea on October 6-12, 2019. Not only the weather was great but the atmosphere among the participants as well. We got to know the monuments and some tourist attractions of the city. We visited the Dolphinarium, Planetarium, the seaside park "Sea Garden", the Archaeological Museum. Our Bulgarian partners organized a trip to the former capital of Veliko Tarnovo. It is a city located among the picturesque hills on the Jantra River at the foot of the northern slopes of Stara Planina, one of the country's oldest cities and one of the most important symbols of Bulgarian independence and statehood. We came to know there the oldest monuments of the city. The most important of them are located on the Tsarevets Hill and surrounded by the extensive ruins of a medieval castle and church. Our partner school in Varna also organized ceremonial tree planting. Each of the partner countries has a tree in front of the school, the Polish tree was planted by our headmistress Teresa Bogdanowicz-Bordzań. Our students remember the most walking at the

Erasmus+ meeting in Varna, Bulgaria!

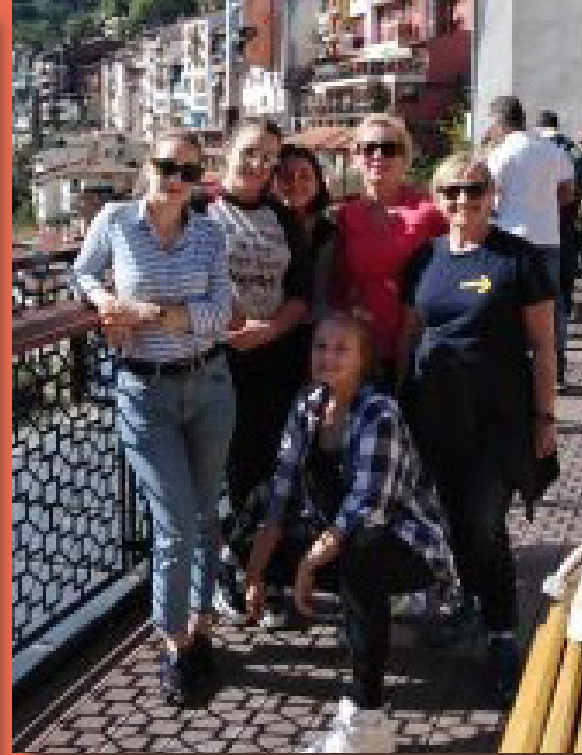
seaside and meetings with friends from Lithuania, Bulgaria, Croatia and Romania. They emphasized that during the week they could improve their language skills, because they had to constantly communicate in English:

"By the way, we learned many phrases in the Bulgarian language, the culture of this country, customs, traditions, dances and cuisine" said the participants of the trip: Olivia Dudzic, Oliwia Suchaniak and Maja Zastawny.

Project participants from five countries are in touch constantly and we hope that these international friendships will last in the future.







What were your impressions of visiting Varna? What did you like the most?

OLIVIA:

I was very excited and I couldn't stop thinking about meeting new people from other countries. I really liked thematic lessons and trips to the different and new places.

I learn something about Bulgarian history for example I learned a lot about ancient jewellery or important monuments.



MAJA:

Varna is a huge city with a beautiful sea coast and magnificent views.

My favourite activity during the meeting was the trip to Veliko Tarnovo because I learned a lot about Bulgarian culture. I also learned that Bulgaria is rich in rose products and that meat and fish are a popular dish. I also learned that Veliko Tarnovo is one of the oldest towns and was the old capital city of Bulgaria. Bulgarians greet guests with their pastries.

What about school? Bulgarian school is much bigger than ours and they have the slavic alphabet. They learn English and Spanish. They learn a lot of the same subjects.



OLIWIA:

My first impression of coming to Varna was the delight and excitement that it is a big and beautiful city.

I liked the art work and sightseeing the most.

Bulgarians are very nice and polite people. There are many interesting and unusual things in their culture.



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IN POLAND AND IN OUR SCHOOL

According to a 2010 decree of Polish Minister of Public Education, the first day of school for regular compulsory education schools in Poland is on September 1 or the first following Monday if September 1 falls on Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

What does it look like in our school?



At the beginning we are wearing rather formal clothes and we go to the church for the Holy Mass, which begins the school year.



Later we gather together on the school yard or in the gym (depending on the weather) where our headmistress welcomes us all solemnly and gives her special speech.



After that, we meet together with our educators in the classrooms and we have a chance to meet some new teachers and colleagues. Then we get a timetable for the next few days. We return home after this ceremony and can't wait to see each regularly for the next ten months!

SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT POLAND!



First constitution in Europe

Another thing the Poles can pride themselves on is the fact that they introduced the first constitution in Europe, and second worldwide. The Polish constitution was adopted on the 3 May 1791, by the Sejm of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth.



Home to about 800 European Bisons

In one of the last and largest primeval forests who used to stretch along the European plain, you'll find the biggest and heaviest land animal in Europe – The European Bison. Poland is home to around 800 European Bisons.





"Strongest man in the world"

They say Polish Women are the most beautiful in the world. But the Polish men can also pride themselves as strong as the most titles "Strongest man in the world" has been won by Polish men.



Poland is the world's biggest amber exporter

Amber is fossilized tree resin that have been admired for its color and beauty for centuries. Did you know that Poland is the world's biggest exporter of Amber?





Donuts eater

A minimum of 100 million pączki are consumed every year on the Thursday before Ash Wednesday.



Saying "goodbye" to winter

Every year at the end of winter a human-sized doll is made and drown to mark the beginning of spring. The Polish tradition is known as Marzanna.

