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Erasmus +

C2 LTT - Exchange of Pupils

From the 28th May to 3_{rd} June, 16 students and 11 teachers from Turkey, Spain, Estonia and Germany came to France (Collège Sainte Anne) to work and exchange about different listening and speaking strategies.



Our first exchange of pupils was held for students to work on listening and speaking activities and discover each other and for teachers to discuss about these kinds of activities they had implemented in class and create a guide about it. This exchange was a real success.

Students were delighted to meet partners they worked with in "Reading circles", our Etwinning project and they did a great work together.



They started to discover themselves with a cohesion activity in the lovely nature of our school park. On Wednesday, they did a workshop all together with their teachers to develop their listening and speaking skills. The different activities of this workshop asked them to use ICTs, collaborate, exchange, create and play together. They had to understand videos about Bordeaux vineyards, doing a slideshow presentation about a cultural place the group liked, create a shortplay about a cultural exchange, Interview school people about Erasmus project and play games to tell a story and make team members guess characters.



They liked it a lot and as we had determined mixed nationalities groups (with both and teachers), it helped them to know each other better.

On the afternoon, they did a photo rally, always in mixed nationalities groups to discover Bordeaux's history, secrets and culture. They also worked on productions devoted to the books they read and analysed in "Reading Circles" Etwinning project. They did beautiful creations with their groups partners, both models and posters, and presented it to everybody.



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Our students involved in the project were also responsible of the organization of our Book fair on Friday afternoon. They put in place everything so as all school students could come to choose a book (or more if they had brought somes) and admire the "Reading circles" Etwinning project's productions done in the morning. This time was also dedicated to cultural exchanges and Turkish students performed their Karagöz play for everybody. Our pupils really enjoyed this time and they were glad to meet their fellows from partner's countries and to speak English with them, even a bit for the youngest ones.

Teachers also did a good work. Each team presented five (or even more) activities aiming at listening and speaking skills they had already implemented in class and we had interesting discussion about it. We manage to finish the guide dedicated to these activities during this meeting time. We also took time to discuss about the evolution of our project, the next tasks to do, to settle the C4 exchange of pupils in Estonia and organize C3 teachers' training which will also take place in Estonia.

We also disseminate our project and especially our partners' venue by meeting Mayor's consellors at the Town hall and asking a journalist of our local journal to cover our visit of our local Mediatheque. He talked with some Spanish students and German teachers and did a good article to present our project.

The visit at our Mediatheque was the final point of our town visit linked with the project because students could discover here our beautiful new library and all the material they propose people to borrow or use and learn to use (books of course but also Cds, Dvds, video games, computers and video games consoles).

We also brought our partners to Saint Emilion to discover this lovely medieval town (also well-known for wine and macaroons) and its history and to the Castle of



Montaigne. There, they walked into this great philosopher steps and shared about the notion of tolerance during a workshop. We also decided to take them to enjoy the beautiful nature of our area by doing a boat ride on the Bassin d'Arcachon and a sportive walk at the Dune du Pilat. Students and some teachers could enjoy a sea bath there thanks to a sunny weather.

Finally, students also opened their minds to Europe benefits of exchanges by meeting some European volunteers who spoke to them about their experience in France and how this program enriched them so much. We spent a really good time together and it was a pleasure to see our students exchange freely, working and having fun together.

