

Erasmus+ week- Journal from Zărnești

6.11.-11.11.2022

Sunday - 6 november - the arrival



The Erasmus experience started on Sunday when all the hosts prepared to meet their guests. We all prepared a room in our house for them, we wanted to make them feel comfortable and familiar in what would be their home for a week. The waiting was hard and the bus was late

because a problem at the border between Hungary and Romania. They arrived in the middle of the night and we all were very excited to meet them. After that we went home and showed our guests their rooms. Because it was very late we went to sleep. (Ana S)

Monday – 7 november

The first day at school was on Monday. The day began at 8:30. There we got to meet all the other students and get to know each other. I already knew a few of the students, because I met them in Budapest. After that, we had to answer to a question which was about our hobbies or something that we like, this game seemed like a very nice game and an easy way to realise that we are so similar. Then, we had a treasure hunt in the city centre of Zarnesti. It was interesting because we got to know more about Zarnesti. We had to solve some requirements. They were based on finding out more about the beauties of Zărnești.



It was tiring because we had to explore the whole town, but we liked it. we had lunch break at Padina Craiului, and then we visited one of the most beautiful attraction of Zărnești- National Park. Thats all we did on Monday, it was a good day for everyone and Zarnesti will last forever in our minds because of its beauty. (Denisa)

Tuesday – 8 november

Tuesday began with a morning visit to the LiBeaTy Sanctuary.



LiBearty,

a heaven for bears who used to suffer, an absolutely wonderful place that gave them a second chance. It was an amazing experience for me and for those who joined the Erasmus project.

I am proud that in my city there is a place like that which, through the help offered to the unfortunate bears, also offers us, humans, the chance to enjoy them right in the middle of their habitat, avoiding all the difficulties they went through, enjoying freedom, as the name of the reserve "Libearty" says.

It was fun for everyone, we learned a lot, we heard stories about Max, Maia, Mura that left us speechless, I am grateful that there are still kind people who do such things and who dedicate time to help animals. So let's be better and adopt a bear together!

An Erasmus evening

Every night was fun because we were all together. But one thing was fun for sure, when we were at Bubu's house it was the coolest. We had a party. We listened to music, ate donuts and cookies made by his mother. Everyone laughed, there were always topics to talk about, we got to know each other much better. These ones will be wonderful memories for each of us, I still feel nostalgic when I think about it. The most important thing is that beautiful friendships were made, I hope we will all keep in touch and I can't wait to see each other again one day.

(Miruna)

I was in the CLIL A, we had the hours on tuesday after we went to Bran.The CLIL was a total

different experience for all of us, we made groups with one person from each country and work

together. All the groups had a map with each country, and had to stick images with places from our country. Before that we did some task, answered some questions about travel & environment. We learn so much

things, good things that we need to do when we travel to keep our planet safe. We learn about recycling to reduce the pollution. The CLIL made us more connected with each other, was fun and easy to do together.

(Mădălina)



We had so much fun, I enjoyed the lessons and how the teachers tried to connect all of us. The lesson we're so clear and easy to understand. We were separated in groups with one child of each country. That means different ways to learn. The lessons wasn't hard because we worked together, we learned how to be more eco ,about eco-footprint, we did tasks that were helpful for recycling. The CLIL hours were different from what we do and i think the main one was that all the children were involved. (Ana K.)

Wednesday – 9 november

On Wednesday we traveled to visit Peles Castle and the old center of Brasov. We arrived in Sinaia at 9:45 in the morning and we went to the Peles Castle where we visited the entire building along with our guests

and teachers. After we visited the Peles Castle we had some group photos together and went to a nearby restaurant to eat. After everyone finished eating , we took the bus towards Brasov (Denis)



We arrived in Brasov around 3 o'clock and we had 2 hours to spend with our guests, so we decided together to take them to sforii street for an interesting experience, then we stayed at the pavilion under the tampa, there we listened to music, danced, we laughed, we showed them Romanian songs, they showed us songs in the languages they spoke, we enjoyed the time we spent together and made wonderful memories
(Vanessa)

Thursday – 10 november

On Thursday we did 4 CLIL classes in two groups A and B. They were really fun and interesting. After that we went to Popasul Craiului, we ate and saw the horses. After we ate we went back to school, we had the parliament and dissemination where we ate cake. It was our last day together, so after the school program we spent all our time together.
(Mara)



Today afternoon, an important event was the Youth Parliament.

Before the parliament, Stefi and I prepared our speeches, but everything was easy because we felt very good and didn't feel any tension. When I got to class, my emotions took over, but during the parliament they disappeared. Everything went very well and it was a very good atmosphere with many funny moments that made us forget about the speeches written on paper. (Ana G)



The Erasmus mobility in Zarnesti finished with an essential activity, the Parliament, because the best is left at the end. Why is it the best and also my personal favourite? The answer is simple and complex at the same time. This is the only well organised activity in which the students can pair up in order to express themselves freely in a kinda formal way. The Parliament it's dedicated to students so they can finally feel heard, feel that their opinions and perspective about important environmental topics matter and most of all, they are encouraged to use their voice and actions for change.

That's what all of us had the chance to do on that day. Me and Ana Garnita paired to represent Romania, worked together and tried to do our best. We both felt proud and we were also conscious about the responsibility we had, so at the start we were a little nervous, but till the end we let ourselves truly enjoy the atmosphere and everything turned out great. It was an amazing feeling and I'm happy I had the chance to represent my country in the Parliament again. (Ştefi S)



Friday - 11 november

Friday was the day of departure. We said goodbye with desire to see each other again on the next mobility.

And as no festive moment is complete without cake, the Erasmus event in Zărnești ended with a delicious cake!

