Digital chronicle "Young Explorers Enterprise"

Szczecin (Poland) 6th – 13th October 2013

October 6, 2013

At the very first day of the project named "Young Explorers Enterprise" three Italian students and four German students arrived with their teachers in Szczecin (Poland). The polish hosts and their families welcomed them and showed them their homes.

October 7, 2013

On Monday at school the participants met all the other students on the project. They talked a lot and learned something about each other. They also had to present their countries, cities and schools.









After lunch the whole group went to the city for a guided tour. They saw some important buildings in Szczecin and learned something about its history.





For dinner the students and teachers went to the forest to have a bonfire and ate sausages.

The Italian and German project members learned some Polish songs and dances, which was really funny!!







October 8, 2013

On the next day everybody met at the university of Szczecin. An official council, who is responsible for tourism in the region told the students and teachers something about the tourism potential of Szczecin and what kind of chances you have after studying at the university.

The group walked to an outside stadium to have pizza at lunchtime.





After that they went to a museum for old cars and bicycles, which was very nice.



To show the students a private school, they went to Wyzsza szkoła Bankowa. A woman from that school talked about what you have to do, if you want to study at this school.

In the afternoon the students and teachers got a guided tour through the castle and heard something about the Tourist Information Center, too.







The teachers had a traditional dinner with teachers from Szczecin, while the students had some free time to go shopping or just to sit at the river and talk.

October 9, 2013

On the fourth day the group met a council, who's responsible for the tourism in this region, again. He told the project members some important facts about tourism in Szczecin and Poland.





Before lunch the students and teachers visited Hotel Radisson and learned how the employees work in the kitchen and what kind of guests come to this hotel. They also got a piece of cake, which was very delicious.



After that the group visited Urząd Marszałkowski and listened to a guy who talked about tourism again.

While the teachers had a meeting about the project, the students walked through the city with their hosts and looked at some important places and shopping centers.

In the evening the students and teachers come together to go bowling. They had a lot of fun! At the bowling center there was also a woman from a Polish newspaper, who talked to some of the students about the project and the trip to Szczecin.

October 10, 2013

The students and teachers had to wake up very early because they drove to Międzyzdroje. First of all they visited a national park with white eagles and a exhibition about different animals in this area.







After lunch the whole group went to a SPA hotel at the sea. A woman from the hotel showed them the rooms where their guests live during their visit and where they can enjoy their trip with sauna and wellness and so on.





At around four o'clock one part of the project members went to the sea to take some photos while the other part ran through Międzyzdroje into the forest to see some bisons, but the bisons were too far away to take photos.





In the evening the students and teachers had some free time to go to the pub or just stay at home etc.

October 11, 2013

In the morning they visited a vocational school in Szczecin, that's also a hotel with little rooms.



After lunch the students and teachers visited Urząd Miasta. A guy from the Tourist Information told them some interesting things about Szczecin and showed them a very good video about tourism in this region.



Later on the group visited the oldest cinema in Szczecin and looked at a short film. That was a very nice place! While the teachers had an organizational meeting again, the students walked through the city on their own.

The students had a free evening to do what they wanted to do and the teachers had a big party with other teachers from the school.

October 12, 2013



It is also part of the project to prepare a report, an exhibition, a homepage and a facebook fanpage. Until the afternoon the students had some time to prepare these things and they also evaluated the visit in Szczecin.

In the evening the students went to a place in the forest to have a bonfire again. They also made some music and talked a lot to each other.

October 13, 2013

On the last day the participants from Italy and Germany had to leave very early. They had a very long trip until they got home. It was a great week in Szczecin!



Regensburg (Germany) 23rd - 29th March, 2014

March 23, 2014

It was the first visit in Regensburg!

The students and teachers from Riccione and Szczecin arrived in Regensburg after a long trip. The students met their hosts / hostfamilies while the teachers went to their hotel.

March 24, 2014

For the first time the participants saw the school. They got some information about it and had a look around.

Then the students from all countries had to do their presentations about their school and city. At 10.30 a.m. everybody got brunch at school, which was really good!







After that a woman from the "Tourismus GmbH" told them a lot about tourism in Regensburg and how you can involve yourself in tourism.





Before the students had some free time with their hosts, they went to the cathedral together. They went inside, had a look around and took also a group photo in front of the cathedral.

In the evening the teachers had dinner at "Fürstliches Brauhaus".

March 25, 2014

The students and teachers from Poland, Italy and Germany met at school at 9 o'clock in the morning. They had a traditional Bavarian breakfast together.







Afterwards they visited the Stoney Bridge and the Brewery Spital. The Stoney Bridge is one of the landmarks of Regensburg. In the Brewery they learned how to make beer. It really smelled of beer there.

At lunchtime everybody got a lunch packet.









Than they visited "Salzstadl" and "Wurstkuchl" next to the Stoney Bridge. Before dinnertime the students had some free time to go shopping or to do something else.

At half past five p.m. the students and teachers met at "Ratskeller" to have a traditional knights meal. Some students from Regensburg organized that very well. It was a funny evening!

March 26, 2014

In the next morning the group met at the train station to go to Parsberg. There they visited "Hotel zum Hirschen", got a look around and talked to the managers there. They also got a workshop about tourism and lunch at the hotel.











After that they had a walk to the castle of Parsberg with a great view over the city.

When they got back the teachers had dinner at "Restaurant Liu" while the students stayed with their hosts.

March 27, 2014

On Thursday a member of "Ostbayern Tourismus e.v." came to school to talk about her work at this organization.





After brunch at half past eleven a woman from "FH Deggendorf". She showed the students and teachers the possibilities you have, when you study lessons about tourism there.



A little bit outside of the city there is an old monument named Walhalla.





The students and teachers went there by car and took some incredible photos of this amazing monument.



For the evening the students from Regensburg had organized a party with karaoke at school. Everybody was singing and dancing and having a lot of fun!









March 28, 2014

After this amazing party the meeting at school was a little bit later at 10 o'clock. The students and teachers had brunch together and then they worked on the project for the whole afternoon.





They organized an exhibition, had interesting interviews, they updated the website and the facebook fanpage.





At the end they made an evaluation about their week in Regensburg. In the evening the Italian participants had to leave. After a lot of hugs and goodbyes they went home by train.

March 29, 2014

The Polish project members left Regensburg in the morning. Everybody had a great week and got a lot of new experiences and good friends.



Riccione (Italy) 21st - 28th May 2014:

May 21, 2014

At the first day of the Comenius-project in Riccione students and teachers from Poland and Germany arrived in Riccione (Italy). They were welcomed by the hosts and their families. The families were very nice and everybody loved the time with them.

At home the students had a typical Italian dinner like piadina, pizza and pasta. Really tired, all of them went early to bed. It was a very nice start of an interesting week.

May 22, 2014

The students had a very good first night. They got a short breakfast in the morning with real Italian espresso, fruits and muesli.

At school they watched the Italian students how they learn to cook. At lunch they served the dishes they cooked before. It tasted very well.

After lunch the students had free time and went to the beach. The sun was shining, there weren't so many tourists, everything was great. With sunburned skins and sand everywhere they went to a bar to have a few drinks and to eat something. That was the way of life they like.

May 23, 2014

On the next morning the project members met at school to have lunch there. After that they spent some time outside in a small market and in a little park. All together they played football. It was really awesome to see Italian, Polish and German guys playing football.

At 4 o'clock students and teachers met at school again to have a look around Riccione. They visited Villa Mussolini, Villa Francesca and a hotel at the seaside. For dinner they had a buffet with tasty Italian dishes. It was an exhausting but very interesting day.

May 24, 2014

At the fourth day the group visited Rimini. A tourist guide showed them an archeological excavation and a museum with real skeletons in there. After that they went to a nice restaurant to eat the typical dish in Rimini, piadina. In the evening the students went to the beach for sunbathing again. All students went to a disco at the beach at night. High prices, but it was a great location and takes fun. Then a long day was over.

May 25, 2014

The project members met at the bus station at 9 o`clock in the morning. They drove with a private bus to the drug-rehabilitation-center "San Patrigano". About 1400 members live and work there. The center is the biggest in Europe. The members have to work in horse-stables, at vine-yards, as carpenters or in cowstables. With these jobs and the help from the community, they should find the way back to a normal life, without drugs.

At 6 o`clock in the evening the group has seen the most places in the drug-center. It was fascinating! After this, the students and teachers went back to Riccione. At night the students went with their hosts in a shopping center to buy souvenirs. It was a very nice day.

May 26, 2014

After a very short night, the students and teachers had to wake up early to drive to an old, roman city called Urbino. The way the city is built, the beautiful old houses, the history and the view over the mountains make the city looking wonderful. After a view hours walking up and down along the mountain the group got something to eat: Pizza!

In the afternoon they were at the highest place of the city to relax from walking through Urbino. At this place they had a great view.

May 27, 2014

Meeting at school was at 8 o`clock in the morning. The project members had to do many things for their project. The students had to do presentations about their diaries, about Stettin and Regensburg and the work they've done so far. The result of the whole project should be a guided-book about Regensburg, Stettin and Riccione. To reach this the students have a lot of work ahead. In the afternoon the group drove to an old, medieval castle in Gradara. After that everybody visited school for the last time to have the last dinner there. The students of the fifth year were cooking for them. It was a great last evening!

May 28, 2014

Departure-Day! At 8 a.m. the students and teachers met in front of the school. After many tears, hugs and saying-goodbye the German and Polish participants had to drive home.

On one side they were sad because of missing their hosts and the sun of Italy. On the other side they were happy to come home and to see their families. It was a wonderful week with nice people and new friends.

Riccione (Italy) 26th September – 4th October 2014:

September 26, 2014

On Friday the 26 th of September, our small group of students and teachers started the Journey to Riccione in Italy.

We drove about nine hours by train and arrived at Riccione Main station at 18:45 in the evening. There we met up with our hosting families and got known to each other. After that we were brought to the families' houses, where we had a typical Italian dinner and some small talk.

September 27, 2014

On Saturday we had the whole day to see the Cities Riccione, Rimini, Cattolica and San Marino with our Hosts and their families.

Furthermore it was a good possibility to buy some souvenirs, gifts or just to see some of the sights in each city.





<u>September 28, 2014</u>

On Sunday we had our first excursion. We started in the morning, to get to Tremolo, a theme park near Riccione.



It's a huge park dedicated to animals and wildlife that you can find in the oceans but also in regions around Riccione. There we had the chance to see the dolphin lagoon, which is the biggest in Europe.

And we watched falconers with their hawks and eagles, whose falconry has been listed on the UNESCO world heritage list in 2010.

In addition to it, there was a museum that explained different kinds of fishes, like sharks, whales or the moon fish as well as big fish tanks, where we were able to see rays, sea horses and even alligators.

The latter we saw in an own area. A replication of the primitive times.







At the end of the day we attended to a cinematic show in an IMAX Cinema. It was about the story of evolution, created live with sand painting.





September 29, 2014

The Monday was an athletic day. The trainer of the school came to us and conducted a lesson in Nordic Walking. After this introduction we started a very funny and interesting walk through Riccione, along the beach and up the hills.







Along the way, we had to do different training units with the whole group or sometimes only with one partner. The trainer was a very humorous guy but a very good teacher as well. He told us many facts about the region we were walking along and he showed us the most important regions of our body, that are trained with Nordic Walking. On the Hill of the Riccione Castle, we looked at the huge colorful sundial and had a break to eat our tasty lunch pockets and to relax a little bit.

At the way back to the school, we made a short stop at the old Romanian bridge, the second very ancient landmark in Riccione, to take some photos and have a talk about the story of that bridge.





September 30, 2014

Tuesday was the perfect day for an excursion to Miniature Italy. It is an arrangement of many small replications of famous sights in Italy.







We took a guidance, that explained us the most important landmarks and after that, we had the possibility to explore the area by our selfs.

The most of that small reproductions have been very detailed and sometimes it was possible to push a button and something was going on around these things. In a place more behind the italian sights, we saw a small build-up of European sights as well. Besides to it, there was a big tent for practical explanations of fundamental questions of physics.

It was a very hot day, but there was white water ride, too. So we used that chance to get a small cooling off.





In the evening we had a very tasty dinner at lunch, cooked and served by the students of the school. We have been very impressed of the high quality meal we

were allowed to eat.







October 1, 2014

On Wednesday we had to get up very early, because we went to Florence by bus. We left the school at 06:00 in the morning and arrived there at about 10:00. The weather was not very nice that day, so we had to go to the inner city with an umbrella. But we had a good time anyway.





We visited the old "Galleria degli Uffizi", an art gallery in the middle of the city. There we had a guidance that told us the story of the Medici Family, the building and showed us several paintings of painters like Rafael, Botticelli and Michelangelo. After the gallery, we went through the city to get to the dome of "Santa Maria del Fiore", where we had some time, to explore it by ourselves.









Later we went along to get to Pitti Palace. The premises belong to the Medici Family and built by the Pitti Family, another rich and powerful family in Florence. While walking to that Palace, we crossed the river Arno over the "Ponte Vecchio", one of the oldest arch bridges of the World.

Originally, there have been butchers and tanners having their shops at the bridge, but nowadays the whole bridge is overwhelmed with jewelers or goldsmiths.



In Pitti Palace we took another guide to see the rooms and art gallery of it















Afterwards we went back to the bus and took the way back home, the mind full of beautiful architecture, paintings and interesting facts.

October 2, 2014

Thursday was our day at school. At first we listened to a presentation of the Italian Students about their region, cities and cultural highlights. The second one of them was about their last visit in Regensburg. After that, one of the polish teachers gave us much information about what happened the last year in their Comenius-Group. She also talked about the importance of advertising this project to other people. What we all together can do for more popularity and given information to students and people at our schools. At least our English teacher showed us all the official Comenius homepage, as well as the Facebook site and gave a short overview about the websites of all three schools that belong to this project group.





Then we had lunch at school. Again it was a very nice decorated and tasty menu. And again the students did a fantastic service to us.







In the Afternoon, we all met in the gym to learn how to shoot with arcs. The trainer we had on Monday gave a introduction to everyone and we were able to start shooting. It was quite fun and a very interesting subject for school.







October 3, 2014

Friday was our last day in Riccione. We went on a trip to Santarcangelo. That is a small medieval town near Rimini. It's build on a hill about 90 meters over the sea level.





We met the tour guide at the town entrance. He showed us through a small market up to the walls of the ancient town. There he told us about the story of the town and its important position at the trade route of salt to Milan. Then he showed us a part of the catacombs under the city. He talked about the usage of that catacombs, for example as a secret haven for refugees of war or as a wine cellar for their Sangiovese.





We went through these catacombs up to the town. There we had an amazing view over the region.





He showed us the silos under the street, the inhabitants used for their corn, to protect it against the enemies and he showed us the old church tower and water tower. At the end of the tour he talked about the big castle of Santarangelo and its significance in the earlier centuries, till fire weapons came up. Afterwards we had an hour to explore the region on our own. We went through the streets, looked at shops, at the market and before we left that interesting place, we had pasta and Piadina in a small restaurant down in the town.







When we got home, we had a closing dinner at school. There we had the possibility to take photos with all families and friends. The teachers thanked all involved persons and talked much about the really nice time we had there in Rimini and Riccione.





After taking photos, talking and changing contact details, we all went back home to our host families to get our bags and suit cases packed, for the return back to Germany.







Regensburg (Germany) 07th - 14th December, 2014

December 7, 2014

Our Italian and Polish partners arrive safely at the Regensburg train station. Hosting students pick up their guests and teachers are transferred to their hotel.

December 8, 2014

At 10:00 a.m. all partners meet at the Municipal Academy for Nutrition and Catering Management where they are welcomed by the school's headmaster Mr. Anton Nenning and the head of the department Mrs. Gabriele Mirter. Project Manager Michael Hastreiter shares some information about the school and the mobility schedule.





Afterwards there is a guided tour through the school's campus.
Lunch is being served in the Academie's
Cafeteria.













In the afternoon a visit of the City's old City Hall and the old Snuff Factory gives an insight into the history of Regensburg.



December 9, 2014

After meeting at the school the party heads off to the Bavarian Forest. First stop is at the glass factory Joska in Bodenmais. After a guided tour through the site we learn how to blow glass and are able to do some Christmas shopping afterwards.







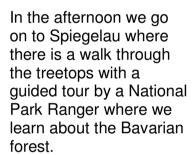
Lunch is taken there in the Restaurant.





















December 10, 2014

We meet at 08:00 am and work on the project outcomes. Students present their works and chapters of the guide book.

At 10:00 a.m. the Lord Mayor of Regensburg, Mr. Joachim Wollbergs presents Charity money to the recipients. There is a charity event where all participants take part.







In the afternoon there is a guided city tour through the historic sites of Regensburg.



In the evening, we meet at the Hotel Hansa Apart, where we listen to live music by a professional singer and her piano player.







December 11, 2014

The day starts with a traditional Bavarian Breakfast produced by the students of the Academy. Afterwards we listen to some music while baking Christmas Cookies in a workshop. Afterwards there is lunch, also prepared by the students.







In the afternoon there are quizzes and games. Even Santa Clause visits us.







As soon as it is dark outside we head off with torches in our hands for a walk to the traditional Christmas Market at the Castle Thurn & Taxis where we spend a great time with great food and traditional Christmas beverages.







December 12, 2014

The morning is dedicated to working on the project outcomes. Students and teachers discuss their works, present and evaluate. In the afternoon there is a riverboat cruise on the Danube River with typical pastries and drinks.

December 13, 2014

The day is free for individual activities. In the evening we all visit a newcomer show event with live music.









<u>December 14, 2014</u>
Early in the morning our partners head back home.

