

REPORT FROM THE 1st MEETING, NAANTALI, 13th - 18th DECEMBER 2018













The 1st meeting of the Erasmus+ (KA2) project "**ROOTS**" was held from 13th December 2018 to 18th December 2018 in Naantali, Finland.

The Czech delegation from "Obchodní akademie s.r.o." in Karviná arrived in Naantali on December 12th and departed on December 19th 2018. The delegation was composed of the headmistress Mrs.Slavka Krystová Florková, the project coordinator Mr.Martin Frolík, the teacher Miss Alexandra Florková and the students Miss Eliška Hanusková, Miss Veronika Mrozková and Mr.Tomáš Kohut.

The Turkish delegation from the "Özel Falez Fen Bilimleri Anadolu Lisesi" in Antalya arrived in Naantali on December 12th and departed on December 19th 2018. The delegation was composed of the headmaster Mr.Birol Orak, the teacher Mr.Tuncay Savtak and the students Miss Sude Taskin, Miss Melisa Çotur and Mr. Mehmet Kaan Engür.

The Italian delegation from the "IPSSEOA Karol Wojtyla" in Catania arrived in Naantali on December 12th and departed on December 18th 2018 after the whole programme has been completed. The delegation was composed of the teachers Mrs. Anna Maria Barbagallo and Mrs. Anna Chiarenza and the students Miss Anuththara Perera, Miss Carola Porto and Mr. Gabriele Biamonte.

The Cypriot delegation from the "Lykeio Polemidion" in Lemessos arrived in Naantali on December 12th and departed on December 19th 2018. The delegation was composed of the teachers Mrs. Marina Georgiadou and Mrs. Christina Ellina and the students Miss Elena Christou, Mr. Andreas Massou and Mr. Nicolas Hadjichristou.

The Spanish delegation from the "Lizarra Ikastola" in Estella-Lizarra arrived in Naantali on December 12th and departed on December 19th 2018. The delegation was composed of the teachers Mr. Gaizka Untzueta and Mr. Eneko Aizpuru and the students Miss Maite Areitioaurtena, Miss Ishka Sanz de Acedo and Mr. Imanol Leza.

The organizer of the 1st meeting was the Finnish school "Naantalin Lukio" from Naantali.

On Wednesday, December 12th all the participants were welcomed by the teachers from the hosting school and then transferred to the hotel and host families.

On Thursday, December 13th, there was a common meeting with all delegations being welcomed by the headmistress of the Finnish school, Mrs. Eija Mäenpää and the head of department for education and culture, Mr Kimmo Kuusimäki. Then the students from the hosting school showed a short performance on celebrating Santa Lucia day. Later on, the participants could see the presentation of the Finnish school and the Finnish educational system, which was followed by presentations of all partner schools and presentations of their towns. After lunch, there was a lecture about traditions in Finland led by Mrs. Lena Sarlin from Visit Naantali. Then the students visited some lessons at the Finnish school and learned mölkky - an old Finnish game within the workshop "Games of our ancestors", while teachers had their 1st teachers' meeting where the coordinator of the project presented the whole project, its aims, activities, methods, planned outputs etc.

On Friday, December 14th the teachers and the students met again at the host school to present their results of the survey on "Folk stories and legends" in their countries. Later on, there was a workshop on folk stories followed by the Christmas party at Metsätähti. The Finnish school prepared a common dinner, a quiz and a Santa Claus event.

On Saturday, December 15th there was an excursion to Turku where the participants could learn about the hosting country, its history, culture and traditions. The teachers and the students took a sightseeing tour through the town, visited the Turku castle and the Cathedral as well as the Christmas market which was held at this time. In the late afternoon, the participating teachers and students returned back to Naantali.

On Sunday, December 16th the students and teachers met at the hosting school and set out for an excursion to a local nature trail in Haijainen accompanied by lunch at the campfire. This event was prepared by the parents' association of Naantali lukio. In the afternoon the programme continued in the parish church in Naantali where the participants could see the scene of Nativity and listened to and sang Christmas carols together with wide public.

On Monday, December 17th the participants of the meeting met at the hosting school where they prepared and presented their typical meals and sweets from their national cuisine. After lunch, the workshops "United in diversity" and a workshop on making traditional Christmas decorations took place while the teachers had their 2nd meeting to discuss the run of the meeting and preparations for the meeting in Cyprus which will be held at the end of January. Afterwards the students took part in a quiz walk in the town while the teachers had a guided tour in the old town of Naantali followed by traditional Finnish sauna evening.

On Tuesday, December 18th the programme started at the school with a learning/training/teaching activity – a seminar on writing narrations led by Mrs. Sanna Vuola After lunch the students presented the outputs from their workshop on folk stories and legends to the others. The programme of the 1st meeting was concluded with announcing the winning logo of the project, the evaluation of the meeting,

handing over the certificates of attendance to all participating teachers and students and a farewell dinner at the Spa hotel.

On Wednesday, December 19th all the foreign delegations left Finland and returned to their homes.

During the 1st meeting the teachers agreed on the tasks to be done for the 2nd meeting in Cyprus which will be held from 23rd to 28th January, 2019.

- Each country will make a powerpoint presentation of the results of surveys on immigration. The questionnaire has already been sent to the school coordinators by email.
- Students from each country will carry out a survey on immigration by interviewing their parents and grandparents and old people in their neighbourhood for the Book of stories.
- Each country will prepare a presentation of their country, town and school to be presented during the exchange in Cyprus.
- Each country will prepare some national dishes that will be presented at a presentation of national cuisine during the meeting at the Cypriot school.
- Each country will work out a newsletter to be sent to the Turkish leader by January 15th. The newsletter will consist of max. 4 pages in word format, the size of the pictures will be reduced by using picasa, the context of the newsletter will include local activities held from the beginning of the project till January 15th and the size of the newsletter will not exceed 2 MB.
- The Turkish leader in cooperation with the coordinator of the project will work out the common newsletter which will be sent to all partners and will be published on the project webpage.

All the participants of the "ROOTS" project agree that the run of the 1st meeting was very good and smooth, without any problems and they enjoy the participation in the project. All the participants find the beginning of the cooperation very good.

The next meeting is going to be held in Lemessos, Cyprus in January 2019.

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