

Comenius project: ‘ LOL-Lively Outdoor Learning’ - Report of the meeting in Rome-Italy- 11th/15th February 2014

Tuesday 11th February

Guests arrived in Rome at different times. Depending on the time of their arrival and on the numbers of guests of each group, some of them took a taxi and some others took the urban train at the airport and then they were taken by colleagues of the I. C. Via Latina 303 institute from the station to the apartment, already booked for them in Saint John 's area in Rome.

Wednesday 12th February

First day in I.C. Via Latina 303 institute. All the guests joined at a meeting point near the apartments, where a colleague of the hosting institute was waiting to take them by bus to the school.

The headmaster received them and presented the institute and colleagues and pupils welcome them singing Italian traditional songs and dancing traditional dances. Guests visited the exhibition of the pupils works of outdoor activities and of researches information about partners countries.

Parents were involved and together with colleagues of the classes participating to the project prepared a coffee break for the guests to welcome them and let them taste Italian food.

Two third level classes of primary school described their outdoor activities products to the guests, unfortunately inside the school for the rainy weather during the last days ,instead of going together outside in the park . It was possible to go with the guests to the area where the activity had to be achieved, soon after to show it to them and with the guide of the cooperating experts of the park, that described the monument the pupils are caring of. Lunch was eaten there as a pick nick with food produced in the area.

In the late afternoon guests were taken to the apartments.

Headmaster, colleagues and guests had dinner together in a typical restaurant, where a pupil's father works as chef.

Thursday 13th February

All the partners arrived at school at about 09:00 and firstly had a short time of work for the project, talking about the eTwinning site and a different way of exchanging work products, sending them to Haramsoy school first, where they'll organize the way to let them be shared by all.

Coffee break prepared by other parents involved in the welcome to the guests.

Pupils of a secondary school class organized an orienteering activity in the park and guests participated with them.

Guests had lunch at school.

A visit to the ancient Roman Villa dei Quintili in Via Appia was organized for the guests in the early afternoon. Italian colleagues took the guests to the ancient site by bus and two experts of Appia Antica Park were guides during the visit.

All the partners had dinner together in a typical restaurant in the city center.

Friday 14th February

All the guests arrived at school at about 09:00.

Some outdoor activities were shown to them by pupils of different classes during the morning. The first one was a short performance of two third level classes of primary school prepared in cooperation with 'Magia dell'Opera' association. Pupils presented a scene of 'Pagliacci' classic opera by R. Leoncavallo and sang some short parts of it. The activity means to make pupils sensitive to opera music: they know and work on the melodrama and go to see a real performance to the theatre at the end of the school year. The directress of the association came to describe the project and do a workshop about it with the guests.

After a coffee break prepared by parents, another outdoor activity was shown in the school playground by a fourth level class of primary school prepared in cooperation with 'Ciclolab' association. Pupils with their bikes had to ride following a course. The activity means to increase children interest in the bike use also in the city, referring to an environmental topic and a healthy practice and educate them to the correct use of it.

Pupils of a second level class of the primary school showed an activity of treasure hunting in the school playground connected with English language learning. Every pupil went to find a colored hat hidden in the garden, following a simple map and with the help of a partner.

The students of the secondary school class that participated to the orienteering activity received the prizes at the presence of the guests and they said them goodbye.

Guests had lunch at school.

All the partners worked together for the project. They showed videos of the activities for the project in their schools. Polish colleagues showed the logo of the project chosen and decided by the pupils of their school. Partners agreed about the following steps of the project work till next meeting in Iceland in May 6th:

- each school will prepare a digital newspaper to inform about the project activities, deciding freely the way to realize it;*
- pupils in each school will chose and decide outdoor different subject outdoor lessons to conduct;*
- work products of every school has to be send to Haramsoy school to be organized and be shared by all the partners.*

Partners agreed about the date of the first meeting of next year project, that will be 24th September in Tallina Sikupilli Keskkool in Tallin.

All the partners had a farewell dinner in a colleague's house.

Saturday 15th February

Departure of guests from Norway, Estonia and Poland.

Colleagues of the hosting institute took the remaining guests to visit the Vatican Museum.

Sunday 16th February

Departure of guests from Iceland, Turkey and Spain.