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# THE YES PROJECT: YOUNG EUROPEAN SCOUTS IN CROATIA!



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Discover our European adventures!

From Reunion island to Croatia

Thanks to Erasmus +

Pictures, articles and our best moments!



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## **MEETING THE PENFRIENDS!**



**On Monday 29th in Croatia we took our breakfast in the restaurant of the hostel .**

We woke up , we got ready to eat. For breakfast we ate some eggs , mini sausages , strawberries , bread , jam , ham, cheese , croissants , chocolate and many other things.

They were some drinks like , hot chocolate , milk , tea and coffee too , it was a very great breakfast to start our first day correctly ! After , we took the tramway to go to the school of our penfriends .

When we arrived to the school , 2 teachers welcomed us and we went to the library class room and watched our video presentation to show our school to some of our penfriends . The meeting was incredible, we drank some orange juice and talked a lot with them . We took some pictures with them and it was a very great moment .

By Louna and Maelys

**“All together”**



## **BEST MOMENTS IN CROATIA !**

Our best moments in Croatia were in the tramway because they were a lot of strange people and it was very funny to see ! When we talked to the students of the school , they were very cool and interested by be with new people like us and some of the boys played football with the students . When we ran under the rain even if we were tired because of an intense day it was a very good moment with all our friends . Another great moment that we liked , was when we took the bus to go to the Plitvice lakes because during the journey we listened to music and we saw beautiful landscapes like very green and big mountains. when we arrived to the lakes we walked a lot and after to come back where we started the walk , we took a boat and we laughed a lot !!!!!!!!!!!!!

# Activities at the school and outdoors

## Afternoon&Evening

*After the lunch we had a painting activity, we painted rocks to represent our Island and three students have been chosen to draw our Island on the Erasmus wall of the school.*

*Then we spent more time with our penfriends :some of us went to play football and the others took a break.*

*After we left the school we took the tramway to go to visit the downtown of Zagreb, we stopped to an icecream stand, later we have been separated in two groups: the first went to Lush and the second to Intersport.*

*We walked to the hostel and get ready to go eat the dinner .We ate some boiled vegetables and breaded fish. On a table they put salad and bread.*

*Then we did exercises and prepared our presentation for the Croatians; we did exercises to improve our piece of theatre. The exercises finished, we took a shower, we returned to our bedrooms, we took a shower and went to sleep.*

### OUR FAVORITE MOMENTS

1-When we painted rocks in the garden of the the middle school

2-The moment we played football with some students

3-And when we saw a dog made with sand



*Picture of our painting activity*



# Our visit of the Maksimir Park

On tuesday, we all woke up at 7am., and then went for a breakfast ; we ate like everyday eggs, jam, bread, sausage...

NEXT WE WENT TO BUY THINGS TO EAT AT A LOCAL LITTLE STORE. SOME OF US TOOK FRUITS LIKE BLUEBERRIES, AND RASPBERRIES. AFTERWARDS, WE WENT TO THE TRAM STATION. WE TOOK THE ONE TO GO TO THE PARK NEXT TO OUR PENFRIENDS' SCHOOL, THE PARK MAKSIMIR.

THERE, WE MET A GUIDE THAT SHOWED US SEVERAL TYPES OF BURDS THAT WE COULD FIND THERE ; THERE WERE SO BIG ONES ! WE SAW FLYING BIRDS AND DIFFERENT TYPES OF DUCKS, BUT ALSO LITTLE TURTLES.

THE PARK WAS BIG. AFTER WE HAD DONE THE WALK AROUND, WE DID A SELFIE CHALLENGE WITH LITTLE ACROBATICS. THEN, WE WENT TO THE SCHOOL AND ATE RAGU, SOME OF US DID SPORTS LIKE FOOTBALL OR VOLLEYBALL. THREE STUDENTS WERE ASKED TO DRAW ON A WALL TO LEFT A STAIN OF OUR PASSAGE ; THEY DREW A LITTLE REUNION ISLAND, WITH OUR "PAILLE-EN-QUEUE" BIRD AND OUR VULCANO, "LE PITON DE LA FOURNAISE".

BY ROXANNE & EMMA R.



**10:30**

that is the principal entry of the vladimir park



**10:50**

A duck flew and landed just in front of us!



**10:40**

The guide told us to look for a bird that was in our trees



**11:30**

That is an anermous bird, that can be to 2m long. We saw a few



**11:00**

We walked in front of a luxurious pavilion, the vidikovac, where people have a pretty view



europski bison  
and bear.



## The Zoo of Zagreb

**On Tuesday afternoon, we visited the Zoo of zagreb**

After lunch, we played a few minutes with our Croatian friends, football and volley ball. We weren't that strong at volley ball, but the french boy won their football match. Then, we went to the zoo of Zagreb. The zoo wasn't big, but there were a lot of animals. A man welcomed us, and presented the zoo.

He talked a lot about the europski bison, and announced that he had a suprired for us. Another man arrived with a big SNAKE in his hands, and after taught us some things about snakes, some of us touched it !!! We did our Rally photo in front of Egiptian statues, and continue the visit. We saw : bears, lions, hippopotamus, monkeys, skeleton of cave lion and donkeys.

When we finished, we passed to the memory shop, bought our mascot : JOSEPHINE. After that, we had one hour of free time to review the animals and take pictures. To find our group, the place to meet were the small restaurant. Behind it, there was two beautiful sea lions. We ate ice cream and some of us ate fries.  
emilie fung et gabrielle cambronne

# Wednesday with the Croatian scouts.

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**During the day, we played a lot of fun games with the scouts.**

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First, to get to know each other, we made a circle we took out one shoe and threw it in the middle of the circle. Someone had to take randomly a shoe and look for the person with that shoe. We also played Mrs Payet game "the mouse and the cat". Everyone was in pairs and there was a cat that had to catch the mouse that had no house.



Then we got in 4 teams but only 2 teams could play per round. Everyone had a scarf on their left side and the goal was to put the ball in the opposite team goal. But if someone had the ball the opposite team had to take out the scarf of the person.

## barbecue with the scouts !

on wednesday after the games we were tired and unbelievably hungry , luckily for us the meat on the barbecue was ready to be devoured after a very long wait .



### 1-The barbecue meat

Ćevapčići is a classic croatian barbecue dish ,it is made of beef rolled on into little sausages there was also chicken ,pork and sausages ! it was delicious

2- The side dishes  
With the meat we could eat pickles and grilled pepers as well as bread for the sauce we had the choice between ketchup mayonaise mustard

3- Manual activities!  
After a good meal wehad a lot of time on our hand ,some chose to play more while others decided to give try to making flowers ,some atempts resulted in failure and others in

after the barbecue it was a fun morningwe did lots of things ,we had a blast and met a lot of new people!



***Picture of the lakes under different levels. Lakes are linked with magistral waterfalls !***

## ***Plitvice lakes NATIONAL PARK***

**After a delicious and traditional meal, we and our penfriends arrived at the well-known Plitvice Lakes National Park.**

We arrived by bus at the beginning of the afternoon. After few minutes of hiking, we made a break at the souvenir shop to buy gifts to our families and friends. Then, adults bought the tickets and we finally enter in the park. As soon as we entered by the beautiful entry, we discover at the outlook, a beautiful view over all the park and therefore over the lakes and their waterfalls. After to have taken so pictures, we started a march to go down to begin the discovery of the lakes. Some wooden bridges and stairs were

built to easily discover the differents through the different levels. At the end of the park tour, we finally arrived at the pear where we made a short break because the weather was quite bad; there were an other sovenir shop, toilets and a restaurant. It is at tis place that we could take the ferry that will leed us to the entry through the beautiful lake. Unfortunately, the queue to take the boat was very long. We waited around 1 hour and we also were separated in two groups. But, we were quite lucky because

the weather became better when we were waiting for it. During the trip, we could take some beautiful pictures of the nature, the animals and the water despite the cold and rainy weather. After 15 minutes of crossing, we finally arrived at the other bank. But, the trip wasn't finished. We had to walk again to go to the bus. During our march, we took some beautiful group photos with our penfriends and we spend good time to talk with each other. We finally arrived to the bus that we bring us back to our hotel.



### 8H30

First before going to Plitvice we went to the school and we took up the other penfriends.



### 12H00

At lunch we ate Cevapcici with french fries and we also had the choice of chicken nuggets or pasta.



### 13H00

Finally, we arrived at Plitvice Lakes we went to the souvenirs shop and then we enter in the park.



### 14H00

We saw some beautiful landscape, waterfalls and obviously lakes after this we wated for a boat and then we exit the park.



### 17H00

After this beautiful adventure we took the bus back to Zagreb and arrive at the hotel very late.

### RALLY PHOTO

During the visit we had to make a specific posture and take a photo with a lake behind.



Friday, 3rd May 2024- Day 5



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## **Dolac market :**

We woke up at 7:00 am. We went eating the breakfast in the restaurant, partner with the hotel. Then we prepared for going to the city center and we went to the Dolac market to bought some memories The market was full red umbrella.

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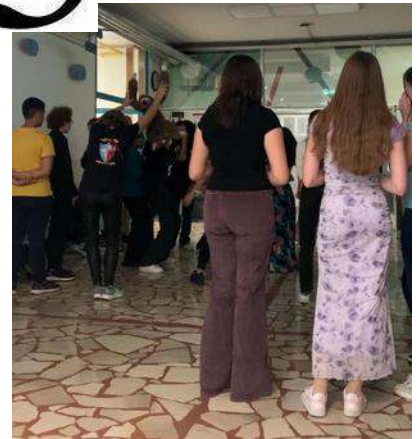


## **Nikola Tesla museum :**

Then we went to Nikola Tesla museum. A guide presented some inventions. Then he brought us to a reconstruction of a mine. After the presentation, he let us see the exhibition on this picture on the top.

*By Chloé.C, Chloé.L,  
Norah.P , Gabrielle.G*

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## **The dance night :**

We arrived at the croatian school at 16:00 PM for the dance night organized by ERASMUS and the Croatian. We danced on different music (french, creole, croatian) and had fun until 19:00 pm, we said goodbye to our new friends and went eating in a typical croatian restaurant.

**Saturday, 4th May 2024- Day 6**

## The Museum of Illusions



**On this picture we can see the Museum of illusion that we visited with our class and classmates.**

This museum was located in the city center of Zagreb. When we arrived at the reception we saw brain teasers that we can buy if we have money. The first illusion is a bridge which doesn't really move but we have the sensation. Then we saw a lot of illusions like pictures which looked at us.

At the second floor we saw more impressive illusions like a room which changed the size of the persons at the corners of the room. We also saw illusions that turned our brains upside down. It was very interesting.

**"A man who knows how to make himself happy with a simple illusion is infinitely smarter than one who despairs with reality." - Alphonse Allais**

**MUSEUM OF ILLUSIONS**

**Explanation of an illusion that had marked us.**

One of the multiple illusions that I appreciated the most is an illusion in which a mirror is on the wall and when we lie on the floor the reflection of the mirror shows us that we are falling.

# AFTERNOON

## *At the mall*

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Our class went to the City Center mall to do anything and go anywhere for four hours.

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First of all, we went eating. We had to choose between three restaurants: an Italian restaurant, an Asian one and a European one. Then, we were free to do anything inside the mall during the four following hours. Everyone went buying items of different categories, like food, games, books, clothes. Some people also got to meet their Croatian penfriend.



### OUR PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

The first shop we went to was a bookshop. We found and bought themed card games, respectively a Dune card game and a Harry Potter one. Though it did cost us 20 € but we were happy to buy these beautiful card games.

*Natanaël and Loann*

# Best moments of our trip!



MY FAVORITE MOMENTS WERE WHEN WE ATE ALL TOGETHER. I LOVED EVERYONE AT OUR TABLE AND WE WERE HAVING SO MUCH FUN! WE WOULD RECAP ABOUT THE DAY AND PLAY GAMES. THAT'S THE MOMENT WHEN WE WOULD MEET UP AFTER A LONG DAY AND IT WAS GOOD TO BE REUNITED.  
ROXANNE



MY FAVOURITE MOMENT:  
IT WAS IN THE PLANE, WHEN I PLAYED WITH THE PEOPLE NEXT TO ME. IT WAS VERY FUNNY. THEN WE ATE CRISPS AND CANDY!  
EMMA

We loved our trip to Croatia. It was so cool to be all together in another country and we enjoyed as much as possible.

## Best of the week

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### EMILIE

my favorite day was the 2 may when we visited the plitvice-lakes cause it was beautiful and the hiking was not too long and i laught a lot with my friends but when it start to rain i was really cold and it was our turn to go to the boat so I was wet but I was with my friends so it was cool.

### GABRIELLE

I prefer the plitvice lakes too. I liked to eat with the croatian (we played at do it or not) and the landscape were beautiful.



Best of the week

**We also loved when we went to the city center for four hours and we could do anything we wanted. We ate very good pastas and some ate sushis. We bought a lot of new things and we were very happy.**

**Shanone**



## Our favorite moments

Our favorite moment was the zoo and when we bought plushes at the store and we adopted Josephine our mascot. We saw a lot of animals : lions, bears, snakes...

Elliot



# Our favourite moment



# SCOUT GAME

It was a beautiful moment we lived. We hope that the Croatians loved it too !



# GOAL !



The scout game is a traditional Croatian scout game. A match is separated in two half-time of 5 minutes. We play it with a kind a ball that looks like a stick. It is quite soft and very light. Moreover the players must wear a long tissue in their back, as they have a tail. The aim of the game is to throw the ball in the goal, but always at ground level. The thing that is very interesting in this game is that we can eliminate somebody stealing his tissue. When a team goal, the eliminated players come back in the game. At the end of the match, the team that scored the most goals win.

# The Final 5-3

## **Best of the week**

### **CHLOE . CW**

My favorite moment was the the first day in Zagreb. After the meeting with the penfriends we went to the city center and we visited. We bought two or three thing maybe and it was a very good moment with the group.



### **CHLOE . L**

My favorite moment was when we went to the museum of illusion. it was really fun and there were lots of different mind blowing illusion which had fascinated me and my friend. after we bought some souvenirs in the shop of the museum.



### **GABRIELLE . G**

My favorite day was saturday, we went to go shopping and it was very funny because we are very free in the commercial center and some penfriends went with us for the last day.



### **NORAH . PL**

My favorite moment during the trip was at he zoo when we had the right to visit it alone with our friends because it was reallly fun to search the animals in the entire zoo.



*Natanaël in the mines (left) and Loann and his friends at the Plitvice Lakes (right).*

## ***Our favorite day in Croatia***

**From the six days we have been to Croatia, Thursday was Loann's favorite, and Friday was Natanaël's favourite one.**

"Thursday, we went to the Plitvice lakes. There, we went hiking, walking near the lakes. I really enjoyed when we took a boat ride, crossing one of the biggest lake in the park. I took a lot of photos. We then came back to the international hostel of Zagreb" testimony from Loann.

"During Friday, the class went to Nikola Tesla museum. We saw inventions based on electricity and magnetic fields. Then, our class explored the coal mine. Then, the class was separated in two groups, and I was on the group that was coming back to the hostel. But on our

way, we stopped at a park and did a photo in front of a beautiful fountain. At night, we had a dance party with the Croatian penfriends, but that's another story." testimony from Natanaël.

Best of the week



## Our favorite day during our travel in Croatia.

For me my favorite day of the Croatia trip is on Thursday. During this day we went to the Plitvitce Park with it lakes. When we arrived, we had the opportunity to buy some souvenirs for our family. Then we started to visit the beautiful park with our friends. We saw a lot of beautiful and big lakes. And when we arrived at the dock we took a boat to visit the lakes in details it was very interesting.

By Romain

My favorite day in Croatia was when we visited the lakes of Plitvice. At the arrival, I bought a book about Croatia at the souvenirs shop. Thanks to this book, I discovered a lot a things about this beautiful country. We walked a certain time between the lakes on wood bridges. There was also a cave, but it was forbidden to go inside. In oreder to cross the lake, we took a boat. Unfortunately, it rained just before we left the lakes.

By Damien



Best of the week



On this picture you can see us in the illusion museum in zagreb where we saw a lot of illusion like here where we took Etienne up.

It was very fun and we also liked the tunnel and also the shop in the museum where you can buy illusion. for me this trip was one of the best of my life, to spend a week with my friends away from all the problems and to discover a new culture and a new way of life with my best friends and people who have been with us since 6th grade, I would call us family. And I hope other people will have the chance to experience being a family for a week

WHAT AN AMAZING TRIP  
WE HAD TOGETHER  
THANKS TO EVERYONE



*Here is the group of amazing pupils from the British International Section (3e SIB)*

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