



Erasmus+



Erasmus + KA229 How Roman Are You?



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First Mobility

Rovereto, Italy

28 November - 4 December 2021

students' report

From the article: **Our Erasmus experience** by Riccardo Donà (Italy) Ana Isabel Ferreira Fontes (Portugal) Francesco Caden (Italy) Tina Roandic (Croatia)

Students from Greece, Portugal, Spain and Croatia have arrived at ITT Marconi in Rovereto to participate in an Erasmus+ Project. The project is called “How Roman are you?” and it is about Roman citizenship and European citizenship as well as about the history, culture and traditions of the Romans that connect us all. On November 29th, the headmaster Giuseppe Rizza, the project coordinator Rosanna Milano and the Italian students of the class 2H welcomed the project partners. The hosts were cheerful and we had a lot of fun. We introduced ourselves and started the activities. (Photo 1.) In the Gym we played Roman games: dice game and circle game. We had lunch together and talked to each other. After that, we visited the old part of Rovereto on foot. We learned about the history of Italian Coffee and tasted that delicious drink.

*“The games were entertaining, but I liked the introduction more, when we drew pictures that indicated our personality and we got to know our Erasmus partners”- **Nicole Paschoudi (Greece)***

“On the first day I was so anxious but when I started to talk with other kids the anxiety was gone and I was so happy. What impressed me most is the school because it is like the private schools in my country”-

Savvas Mentekidis (Greece)

On the second day we travelled to the city of Verona. We went to the Archeological museum and walked around the town centre. During the walk we saw the Arena and the famous balcony of Juliet. We took pictures together.

*“We walked a lot but it was beautiful my favourite part was the Arena”- **Marta Alvarez Moreno (Spain)***

On the third day we had a trip to Trento. We went to Buonconsiglio Castle and saw many Roman findings. After lunch we visited the MUSE, a science museum, where we learned about the beginning of life and life in the Alps. In the museum there were a lot of interactive and fun games. With laughter we finished the day.



On the fourth day we created a presentation about our past days spent with students from other countries for the school website. After having lunch we went to Trento to see the Roman Tridentum -S.A.S.S.- We saw a video about the old Roman town and then we had some free time

*"This day was very funny, we did a lot of things" - **Marta Alvarez Moreno (Spain)***

*"I'm very happy to have spent a time with our foreign peers, and also I was very interested in knowing how was Trento a long time ago" - **Serhii Kushnir (Italy)***

We had a lot of fun, we met a lot of new people and learned new things. We visited lots of interesting destinations, but Verona and MUSE were most fun for us. It was a great experience and we should do this again.



Second Mobility

Vinkovci, Croatia

22-28 May 2022

students' report

The second stage of the project “How Roman are you?” took us, four students from the 2H class and two teachers, to the Croatian town of Vinkovci, from 22 to 28 May 2022. This Erasmus+ project involves girls and boys aged between 15 and 16 coming not only from Italy and Croatia, but also from Germany, Spain, Portugal and Greece. Every single participating school takes turns hosting some students from other countries, with the aim of getting to know the Roman culture that unites us. The first host school was our institute, in December 2021.

But what happened during this week in Croatia? Part of the experience took place in the host school Bartola Kašića. Here we took part in small introductory lessons in Croatian language and history. Each single school also prepared and presented presentations on elements of Roman culture in English for the other participants.

In addition to being the birthplace of the emperors and brothers Valentinian and Valente, Vinkovci has been inhabited continuously since the Neolithic period, making it one of the oldest stable settlements in Europe. We visited the city museum, thus making an overview of the history of the city. On a trip around Vinkovci, to be precise in Vučedol, we visited the museum on the culture of the same name from 3000 BC. We have not limited ourselves to ancient history: we have in fact climbed to the top of

the water tower of the city of Vukovar, a symbol of the Croatian war of independence, which took place in the first half of the 90s.

The experience was not only school and museums. We set up a fundraising desk for Ukraine and attended a few first aid lessons held by the local Red Cross. The last day had as its main destination the Papuk natural park, a UNESCO geopark since 2007. The girls and boys also had free time to spend with their peers from other countries, improving their English while having fun.

It was an occasion that laid the foundations for new friendships beyond the country of origin and enriched us culturally, making us feel a little more European citizens.



Third Mobility

Granada, Spain

2-8 October 2022

teachers' report

Our third mobility in Spain has been an exciting experience. The weather was great and the warm temperature of October accompanied us through these wonderful days spent together. On the first day we were welcomed by the Spanish team at the hotel where we stayed and soon afterward, in the Spanish school the official opening ceremony took place. After some Spanish language lessons we moved to the city hall of Granada where the mayor received us all.

The following days have been rich in activities of all kinds with a common focus on the Romans, their life and customs. We visited the Roman village and the museum of Almedinilla on Tuesday and on Wednesday we were involved in the activity "One of Romans" at the Andalusian Memory Museum. After a visit to the archaeological museum we left for the picturesque place of Alhambra. The Roman village of Fuente Alamo was the goal of a trip out on Thursday. On Friday all students presented their works on Roman architecture in their country. Roman games and some sports activities in the school sport ground were a last joyful moment together before the farewell ceremony.



Fourth Mobility:

Lüneburg, Germany

27 November- 3 December 2022

students' report

The fourth mobility of the Erasmus Plus Project “How Roman Are You?” took place in Lüneburg from 27 November to 3 December 2022. which involves 6 countries of the European Union. In addition to our school, schools from Spain, Portugal, Croatia, Greece and Germany participated in the project.

We left by train on November 27th to arrive at Lüneburg station, Germany. Upon arrival we were greeted by the families of the German students who hosted us for the whole week. Staying with the family was a wonderful experience, so we had the opportunity to discover new things and curiosities of German culture.

On the first day, at the Gesamtschule in Lüneburg, we were greeted with a performance by the school band. This performance was followed by socialising activities and finally we were given souvenirs. In the late morning we had a tour of the school complex, while in the afternoon, after being greeted by the mayor, we had a guided tour of the city. We then went into the numerous Christmas markets which are a very special feature of Lüneburg.

The second day we dedicated ourselves to cooking: groups of pupils from various countries prepared typical Christmas sweets. We also particularly enjoyed tasting

each other's dishes and gaining a better understanding of the culture of various countries.

On the third day, each delegation of pupils presented their works concerning the derivations of the Latin language in the various European languages. It was interesting to understand that Latin also has a great impact in other languages. We also observed the similarity with our language.

The following day we went to visit the art museum "Lüneburg Museum" and we participated in workshops related to the museum; the first laboratory consisted of a guided tour with a final quiz, while, in the second laboratory, we identified ourselves with characters from the different social classes of ancient Rome. It was very interesting. In the afternoon we went skating. We had great fun.

On the last day we visited the city of Hamburg. We split into groups and completed missions where we won the treasure hunt. It was a very fun challenge that allowed us to visit a part of the city. In the early afternoon we had free time to visit the city, being able to breathe the Christmas atmosphere on a particularly cold day.

Alessia, Ahmed, Mattia, Silvia and Sofia



Fifth Mobility

Barcelos, Portugal

5-11 March 2023

teachers' report

At 5.45 on Sunday 5 March, four students from the 2H of the Marconi Technical Institute left Rovereto for Portugal. Tommaso, Riccardo, Leonardo and Ahmed, accompanied by two young teachers, headed to Bergamo where the plane took them to Porto, a Portuguese city known for its wine, colours and kindness of its inhabitants. The team then moved to Barcelos, on the Camino de Santiago de Compostela route, where the school of the host team Rosa Ramalho is based and where part of the project activities took place.

The Erasmus + project, in which our students took part, allowed them to interact, socialise but also strengthen, for those who had already participated in previous mobilities, the relationships with the corresponding participants belonging to the teams of Spain, Greece, Germany, Croatia and of Portugal.

On Monday morning the Portuguese boys welcomed their classmates into their school where they gave a lesson in Portuguese history and language and had lunch together in the canteen. In the afternoon, the boys took part in an orienteering treasure hunt

through the streets of Barcelos, enriching their knowledge of the political and social structure of the Roman Empire.

The activities of the second day were held in Braga, with an interactive workshop inside the D. Diogo museum, on Roman culture and with a visit to the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus do Monte, characterised by a unique staircase and truly impressive landscape views.

On the third day, in Porto, the expert and university professor Joel Cleto gave the students a lesson on democracy and then, despite the rain, the students walked the streets of the city, admiring its monumental and landscape features.

On Thursday, after attending the school's musical concert dedicated to guests, the students presented their works relating to democracy and dictatorship in their respective countries, illustrating the past and current governmental systems. The day's activities concluded with the delivery of certificates to the participating students and accompanying professors.

The next day, as a last activity, the students took part in a guided and interactive visit to the ceramic museum of Barcelos, where they put their artistic skills into practice and gave vent to their creativity in the elaboration of the logo "How Roman Are You?". The visit to the museum ended with the narration of the legend of the rooster, an emblematic figure of Barcelos and Portuguese folklore. In the evening, the various teams met one last time in the host school, where the Portuguese group prepared a farewell party for their classmates. Music, dances and typical flavours of Portugal greeted our boys, leaving them with the memory of an experience of cultural growth and social integration. A last moment of confrontation and a dialogue full of English

words and phrases but with a varied tonality, best summarised the essence and soul of the project, transforming the farewell of the boys, and of the teachers, into a series of hugs in hope see you soon at the next mobility.



Sixth Mobility

Volos, Greece

30 April- 6 May 2023

teachers' report

On April 30 Mattia, Umberto, Leonardo and Lorenzo, four students of the 2H of ITT Marconi, accompanied by teachers Francesca Pedrolli and Violeta Cvijanovic reached Volos, a Greek town on the slopes of Mount Pelio for the last mobility of the Erasmus+ project How Roman are you?

Once they reached their destination, our boys were welcomed by what, for the following week, were their Greek families. In front of the doors of the host school, the boys met the Greek mothers, fathers, brothers and sisters who accompanied them in the daily life of this experience.

The mobility took place under the banner of group activities which saw the teams of different nationalities involved in guided visits to Thessaloniki and Makrinitza, class lessons, games and presentations related to the theme of games and sports which then culminated in a local re-edition of the Olympic Games.

And so, in an instant, the week came to an end and the boys found themselves in front of the professors' hotel to return to Italy, no longer intimidated, but sad to have to say goodbye to their Greek families and their German, Spanish, Croatian companions and Portuguese.

Many hugs, many handshakes, some gift exchanges and a little nostalgia marked the end of a project that has allowed our students to broaden their horizons and build new friendships.

Ευχαριστώ Greece!



