

# THANK YOU, BRIDGES!

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Thanks to “Bridges”, our Comenius Project, some students of our school have recently been to Flensburg, in the North of Germany, near the border with Denmark, with other students from other schools in Greece, Poland, Sweden and Romania.

I went there from 18th to 23rd September with other ten Italian students and two teachers; we arrived there after a flight to Lübeck and a journey by train.

During the journey we were quieter than we expected to be, but when we arrived at Flensburg train station at about 3 p.m. we were more excited: we had to recognize our hosts from the photos we had received from them before the meeting! But it was all right: we all found our hosts and we went home, where we spent the rest of the day during which we started to get to know each other better.

We arrived at “Kurt-Tucholsky-Schule-Europaschule” on Monday morning and we saw a “welcome concert” given by some students of the school and then we presented our works made with our art teacher.

After that we visited “the biggest school of the region” with three girls that guided us and then we played different games all together in the gymnasium trying to invent and build human bridges divided into some groups. In the afternoon we visited Flensburg and we went back to school to have a barbecue in the evening (we loved this idea!).



We went to do high ropes on Tuesday. We got there in about two hours and we saw a wonderful natural place, where we had to do some courses between level 1 and 8: at the top level we were three metres above the ground, it was really exciting and maybe a little bit frightening, too.

On Wednesday we visited the wonderful city of Lübeck, and we learnt a lot of things about churches. It was interesting to learn the techniques they used to build churches because in that place winds are so strong that they can destroy buildings. It was so strange for us to see walls with such big holes through which the winds can

flow.

On the last day we went to school only in the morning and we had some free time in the afternoon, so I went to Flensburg’s swimming pool with four Italian students: we enjoyed it very much, of course!

I think that maybe this was the most wonderful experience of my life, because I had the opportunity of meeting students from all over Europe. I also learnt a lot about German culture and way of life. To conclude, I think this experience has been really formative and has made me grow up a lot as a person.