

We heard a lot of times about international exchanges, but never had we thought we would have had an opportunity to take part in it.

From 17 till 23 November, 2013 thanks to Comenius programme we were working on the project ; Europe Through Our Eyes.

We were pleased to co-operate with the students from Portugal, Bulgaria, Germany, Spain and Italy.

We all met in one of the most charming European cities- Porto and though we spent only a week there, we succeeded in seeing and learning a lot.

Every morning we attended workshops connected with our project during which we learned a lot about recycling. What is more, we had an opportunity to carry out the unusual experiments and as a whole group we were working on a logo to our project. We found it really pleasant to take part in a lesson of Portuguese and in a sports competition in a school gym.

Since lunches were served at school, we got to know something about traditional Portuguese cuisine.

Did you know the Portuguese can prepare cod in 365 ways? As many as there are days in a year!

European Dinner- each country brought their own traditional delicacies –let us notice the differences in preparing and serving food.

In the afternoons we sightsaw Porto. The trips were organised by our Portuguese friends. Thanks to them we visited a traditional Porto Cellar, a gallery of modern art, a museum of photography housed in a former prison. We also took a ride on the river Duoro.

The evenings were dedicated to activities in school in Gondomar connected with presenting some elements of our culture and traditions.

The aim of one of them was to show traditional dances and we presented dance Polonaise of course!

The following evening was supposed to teach the participants something about music and songs from different countries. It is worth noticing that the audience was spontaneous and the people were eager to take part in the show.

To our mind, a visit in Porto was a great experience. Thanks to it we learnt about customs and traditions from many parts of Europe. In addition, we met a lot of new friends .