

# RECAP OF THE FIRST STUDENT MEETING

(26/03 - 01/04, France)

26/03

*The first meet start on a sunday evening, at 11pm. My pen pal is greek and is called Jason. Once picked up at the bus station, I take him home, and show him my house. I feed him, we talk, and tired because he spent the day in Barcelona, he goes to bed.*

27/03

*We awake at 8am and eat a typical french breakfast that my mom bought in a bakery. But Jason don't eat a breakfast usually, so he just eat a half of croissant. We go to school at foot and arrive at 9am. There, we meet for the first time all erasmus kids. For an hour, I speak with Greek and Polish confused and discover their adventures to come in Perpignan. At 10am, we visit the highschool with a small group of pen pal. Besides, they're impressed by highschool size. At 11am, my pen pal and I go to my EMC class. It's not really a lesson per se so we have fun learning French and Greek. At break time, the polish and the greek discover the canteen, where we take a lunch in group. Apparently, they are disappointed by french foods... Then, we wait in school until 1pm. At that time, a scientist holds a conference on water pollution. Globally, we learn that clean ocean is useless. We must begin by clean the ground. So we equip ourselves with gloves and garbage bags, and collect the waste from the city of Perpignan. We fill more than 200 garbage bags and are interviewed by a journalist from the Independant. Tired, we finish the school day at 6pm. But it's not the end of the day because, with a small group of erasmus kids, we hang out in the city centre. At 9pm, we come back home and eat, Jason, I, my mom and my sister. We talk about an usual day in Jason's life... Finally, we go to bed around 11pm, really exhausted.*

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*We take bus at 8am, toward the valley of Eyne. After a journey of 1h30, we walk to the valley plains, where the view is clear. Local specialists bring us details about this place, also called the valley of 1000 flowers. After this, we visit the village related to the valley. Then, we eat our picnic and make fun. We take the bus at 1pm and go to a famous search center which was before biggest solar station in the world. We discover its past, its functioning and visit its museum. After, we walk until a small building which is a perspective of mountains... We come back in highschool at 6pm and Jason and me go home for relax. Around 7pm, we come out in city center for take an apero with the erasmus group. We talk, laugh a lot, and go home at 10pm. So we eat in greek schedules... After the meal, Jason discover the babyfoot and lose, of course, versus me. We sleep at 1am, after an empty day.*

29/03

*We arrive at school around 9am, for the first team workshop. With my team (carbon foot prints), we talk about our subject, what we have done until now. Then, we prepare an oral presentation for introduce our subject to the rest of erasmus group. At 12am, I go home*

very quickly to pick up some stuff and leave Jason in the canteen, with my erasmus friends. I come back in city centre of Perpignan at 1pm. Well, we start with my workshop group the visit of the city. We must take pictures in front of many emblematic places very quickly for win candies. Finally, my team is second, behind the waste team... We wait teachers for one hour and enjoy city. School day finish at 3:30pm. With some erasmus friends, we take bus and go to the beach. We install our stuff on a playground where we play basketball. We decide to swim even if the temperature is around 15° (and water worst). We're cold but enjoy a lot the moment ! My father pick Jason and me around 8pm and take us to a family meal. As everynight, we talk a lot about Greece. We come back home around midnight and sleep immediately.

### 30/03

We awake at 8am and take the bus toward a typical place of the region, Banyuls. We start to walk toward a point of view where the sea is impressive. Polish and Greek take so many pictures and it makes proud us, French people. Then, we go to a biodiversarium and are divided into two groups. My group start to a workshop about global warming, its scientific side. Then, we visit the aquarium of the building and discover the biodiversity of the region. After this, we eat our picnic and have free time. My friends and I enjoy the village. We go at foot foot in 3h to the Paulilles beach. We make fun, enjoy the good weather and take the bus to come back in Perpignan at 4pm. When we arrive, Jason and me go home. My mom pick us at 6:30pm to go in a commercial center where Jason buy memories of France. Then, we join our erasmus friends at bowling. We stay in this place until 11pm and finally go home, eat dinner, and sleep.

### 31/03 - 01/04

The last day start at 8am, when we wake up. We go to school at 9am and take a breakfast. It's the day of the oral group presentation so we just sit and take notes of other groups. My group is the last to present its subject, at 11:45am. Because we are the last, people aren't concentrate, but we do our maximum for make things interesting. We finish at 12:15pm and go eat in canteen. As the breaktime is for two hours, we go after lunch to city centre for take icecreams. We make fun and are back to school around 2pm. All afternoon, we make in group our own climate fresk. We learn a lot about the consequences and causes of global warming. At 5:30pm, Jason, me, and a small group of our erasmus friends go to my home for relax. We prepare for the dinner organised by school at 7:30pm, in Le Domaine de Rombeau. Once arrived, we eat, dance and make fun until midnight. Then, Jason and me go to city center. We are borried so we come back around 2am. At 5am, we awake and go to train station. We wait a long time and realized that, because of strikes, the greek train is cancel. Teachers take matters in hand and bring our pen pal toward Toulouse, for their flight.

I really appreciate my exchange week and I think my hoster too. Concerning program school, I'm a little disappointed because especially of the last afternoon. The activity was too long and the erasmus group just want to enjoy together. Besides this, I think the activities was good. We do interesting things related to our principal object of study, the climate change. People was nice and everybody take great time andd have fun. So thank you !!!