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REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

# SCHOOL’S DATA

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# ACTIVITIE: LTTA1- CULTURAL HERITAGE

**Contract No:** 2021-1-IT02-KA210-SCH-000032311

**Programme:** Erasmus+/ ΚΑ2

**Programme Title: «**The roots of our identities and values»

Event Administrator – Place of Activity: ISTITUTO COMPRENSIVO 1 LANCIANO “MARIO BOSCO”

Dates of activitie: 24 – 28/10/2022

**No of participant countries:** 3

**Partners:** Italy, Greece, Turkey

**Coordinator :** ISTITUTO COMPRENSIVO 1 LANCIANO “MARIO BOSCO”\_ITALY

**Programme Duration:** 1,5 year

**Start:** 01/11/2021

**End**: 30/4/2023

**Language:** English

**School’ coordinator**: Grigora Athina

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM OF THE VISIT**

* **Sunday, 23-10-2022:** Departure from "DIAGORAS" airport of Rhodes at 06:35 with Aegean flight A3201 Airlines with destination "ELEFTHERIOS VENIZELOS" airport of Athens - arrival at 07:35 . At 08:30 am departure from "ELEFTHERIOS VENIZELOS" airport of Athens with Aegean flight A3650 Airlines bound for Rome " Fiumicino " airport (arrival: 09:35 am local time). Departure for Lanciano by regular train. First stop is Roma Terms . We got there at 16:40. From Roma Termini , after a long wait, we took the train to Pescara . Intermediate stations: Tivoli (17:15), Mandela (17:30), Carsoli (17:50), Taglaicozzo (18:05), Avezzano (18:15), Sulmona (7:10), Kheiti ( 7:55), Pescara (8:06). At this station trying to catch the train which was leaving in a few minutes, we missed it, so we called a minivan and it came and took us to Lanciano . We arrived at our destination around 09:30 in the evening and settled into our rooms at the wonderful Bed & Breakfast “ La casa del tempo ”.
* **Monday, 24-10-2022:** After having our breakfast in a cafe that cooperated with the hotel where we were staying, we walked to the Junior Highschool of the INSTITUTO complex COMPRENSIVO STATALE N , of the school that was waiting for us, at 09:30. We arrived at the school. The coordinator of the programme, Mrs. Eva Manciano was waiting for us there , welcomed us with 2 songs of school children with musical instruments, under the direction of their school music instructor. Afterwards , we went down to the school Assembly Hall, where they showed us the history of the city, as well as the Italian educational system. In the Italian educational system, Kindergarten starts at 3 (nursery, pre- nursery and toddlers)and finishes at 5. Then it's primary, which lasts 5 years, then it's junior high school for 3 years, and then it's senior high school, secondary as they say, for another 5 years. Education at this level ends at 19. Then we were given a tour of the school, specifically the Art, Music, Physics, IT laboratories. We were very impressed by the abundance of space for workshops, and especially the large Music room, where children have the opportunity to learn musical instruments, such as piano, guitar, etc. Also, in the IT room there were round tables "islands", as they called them, where the children did the IT lesson, in groups, with a tablet and an interactive board. Interactive whiteboards were present in all classrooms. All teachers had learnt to use interactive whiteboards after relevant training . After the buffet with treats prepared by the school teachers themselves, we left for the kindergarten . We should note here that the school we visited is called an Institute and consists of 3 levels, namely Kindergarten , Elementary and High School. We were also impressed that there were children's artistic works from previous years in large panels hanging from the ceiling. Another thing that struck us was that ,because the building was two stories with a basement, there were lifts for disabled people beside the stairs.. We were surprised to see that children and teachers were wearing pink school uniforms. In each room which was 9 in number- it should be noted that the kindergarten in question is considered the best in the city, so it is in great demand- there were 2 kindergarten teachers. The children in each room were no more than 16-17. In the corridor there was auxiliary cleaning staff, present on a continuous basis. There was a gym, where, once a week, the kindergarten teachers go with the children and do various activities. The children presented a dramatization of a fairy tale, as well as songs. There was a class for children with special needs, in which there were 4 kindergarten teachers for 17 children, who sang to us, with the help of the teachers. We were treated to traditional Lanciano sweets on a dining table that the children themselves dressed as cooks had laid and decorated . This was followed by a visit to the Primary School.

Our first impression was that there was a concierge with a doorman. After going to the school, our first tour was the indoor gym, which we were told was in operation for the first time this year. It should be noted that only the children of the fifth grade, the last of the Primary school, do Physical Education with a gymnast, because as we said, there are 5 grades in the Primary school. In the other classes, PE is done by the class teacher, as was case in Greece in the past. In all classes, PE takes place for 2 hours a week. While the fifth grade has PE with the gymnast , the teacher of the class is also present to supervise the children. Then we were guided to some classrooms of the school. At noon we ate in the school canteen. We were impressed by the small number of students in each classroom. Their breaks are a bit funny ,that is only one 10 minute break for kids who go to school till 1:10pm, and 2 breaks of 10 minutes for kids who go to school till 4. This is optional, like our all day school. During breaks, the children do not go outside, but remain in the classroom, under the supervision of their teachers. Moreover, it is noteworthy that the Italian schools do not follow a common policy drawn up by the ministry of education, but each school draws up its own policy. The choice of the way with breaks, therefore, asthey said, aims at keeping the kids out of the yard at recess because otherwise the parents were too intrusive and causing trouble. So they decided to stop the breaks and take them inside the classroom to avoid problems with parents. Moreover, as we were told, parents choose their children's teacher. I addition,, teachers have 80 hours of mandatory meetings per year besides working hours that is, meetings in afternoons and weekends. Once a month, parents can be informed by the teacher for one hour during their morning time. Another thing that impressed us was not only that the children all wore school uniforms, but also that in the school in every corridor there were small tables, where the cleaning staff of the school sat and supervised the cleanliness. For example, when a child went to the toilet, they immediately went to clean up. Also, as we said, there was a restaurant and canteen, there was an accountant, a school nurse and a school doctor, as well as secretarial support. In the evening we went with children and parents to eat at a very nice restaurant.

* **Tuesday, 25-10-2022:** At 9 am, the students and teachers went to the Scuola Statale , that is their high school, where a bus was waiting for us . We boarded together with the group from Turkey, 2 teachers from Italy and 8 students from their school, bound for the monastery of **San Giovani** , a monastic complex in the community like Fossacesiab in Abruzo . It is located on a hill, overlooking the Adriatic, at 107 m above sea level. Established in 1720. It is a popular destination for weddings. We boarded the bus and headed to **San Vito** to see the famous " **trabucco ",** made of pine wood X alepis , protruding into the sea. It is an invention introduced by the Phoenicians in the 18th century. Trabucco is a fishing technique that is not subject to weather conditions. It allows you to fish without having to go into the sea. It is a wooden platform in the sea, which is connected to the shore by a wooden bridge and has some wooden antennas, with which the fishermen cast their nets into the sea. After walking along a very beautiful bike-pedestrian path, which connects the city of Ortona with the city of Vesto , a distance of 40 kilometers, we sat in a square in the area, where we ate food brought to us from the school by the Italian partners, which comprised pizza, water and banana. Then we sat in a cafe, where we tried the famous ice cream of the region. Then we got on the bus and went to the city **of Ortona** to visit a historic Spanish castle. After the visit, we returned to the hotel and had a free afternoon.
* **Wednesday, 26-10-2022:** The day started with a visit to the Town Hall of Lanciano . First, we met with the host school in the square in front of the Town Hall, in front of the **“Basilica Cattedrale della Madonna del Ponte”** cathedral . This cathedral of Lanciano is dedicated to the Virgin Mary as Santa Maria del Ponte ("Saint Mary of the Bridge"). In February 1909, Pope Pius X raised it as a small basilica. From there, the guided tour by high school students began. We played Kahoot , with questions about Lanciano . that had been prepared by high school students, who were accompanying us. We visited the temple and then went to the City Hall. The mayor and the headmistress of the school were waiting for us there. After the welcome, we left for a tour of the old town of Lanciano , with our guides students of the High School of the host school. Then, we sat in a cafe in the square and tasted traditional sweets of the area. After the tour was over, we went to the school (primary), had lunch, and then there was a meeting of all the partners. At this meeting, the next meeting of the programme in Istanbul, which was scheduled for 27 to 31 March 2023 was discussed, as well as the finances of the programme. After the meeting, we returned to the hotel. In the afternoon we went to the cafeteria where we had our breakfast every day, to celebrate the birthday of a student who participated in the programme. In addition to us, the birthday was attended by the partners and all the children from the Turkish school, as well as a girl from the Italian school who had visited us in May at the first international meeting. In the evening there was a farewell dinner, offered by the school of Lanciano , where all the participants in the programme attended. We got our commemorative diplomas and after saying goodbye to each other, we were going back to the hotel.
* **Thursday, 27-10-2022: We** left in the morning by bus for Rome. After settling into the Hotel Archimedes in the center of Rome, we took the Hop on /off tourist bus and we were guided to all the important sights of the city such as the Colosseum and the Pantheon etc.. In the evening we visited Fontana di Trevi , and we dined at a restaurant in the center of the area. Then we taxied back to our hotel.
* **Friday, 28-10-2022:** After breakfast, we took a short walk around the area, we departed by taxi for " Fiumicino " airport. We got gifts from the duty free shops and departed at 18:20, on Aegean flight   
  A3651 Airlines , for "ELEFTHERIOS VENIZELOS" airport of Athens. Arrival 21:15 pm Departure at 22:20 from "ELEFTHERIOS VENIZELOS" airport of Athens, bound for "DIAGORA" airport of Rhodes - Arrival in Rhodes at 23:20 pm.

**Preparation of the visit**

Before the visit, the necessary meetings of the Pedagogical Team of the Program were held, and the plan was presented in detail, by the communication manager and coordinator of the program, Ms. Grigora Athina. Also, the obligations foreseen by the program were thoroughly discussed, as well as the activities that are to be implemented during the program.

Parents were also informed.

The members of the mission, in close cooperation, prepared all the details concerning this particular visit. They studied the application form, the contract and the responsibilities of all partners.

Finally, symbolic gifts were procured for the partners.

**Impact of the activity**

We gained many experiences , both pedagogical and cultural, from this meeting. Enthusiasm, mood and new ideas. Above all, however, teachers and students benefited from the creativity that participation in a wider group inspires, but also from the enthusiasm that every new educational beginning possesses. Impatient for all that is to be done through the cooperation with the European partners, confident about the communication and the European opening of the school, ready to fill their educational baggage with new ideas and experiences from other European systems , which will expand and promote the educational work, mainly for the benefit of the students, but also of all the teaching staff of their school. The students also benefited both from the overall experience and through contact with the children of the participating countries, with whom they developed friendships.

**Dissemination and exploitation of the results**

Immediately after we came back from this second transnational meeting, a meeting was held of the Pedagogical team of the plan and the Director of the school Ms. Grigora Athina, in order to discuss the results of it. All the meeting’s conclutionst were presented in detail, in the following ways:

1. Organization of a meeting, to inform the parents of the school about our meeting
2. Sending a Press Release to a local newspaper, with reference to the activities of the meeting

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1. Posting the meeting calendar on our school's website

<https://blogs.sch.gr/18dimrodou/erasmus/>

1. Posting on school’s fb

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