



Activities in Ermesinde (Portugal)

BEFORE THE LEARNING ACTIVITY IN PORTUGAL

The Human Library

Aim

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Description

The students formed working groups to listen life stories. Ethnicity, religion, immigration, sexual orientation, disability, mental illness and oncology are some of the stereotypes worked on.

Results

The 9th grade students had the opportunity to dialogue with these "books" (people) who represented target groups of social discrimination or exclusion. Some students wrote texts in English about this activity relating it to the theme "Same but different".

<u>View more... the texts that we get as a result</u>. - https://bit.ly/2ytx8Yg

Commemoration the School Day of Non-Violence and Peace

Aim

To encourage non-violence in the school environment, appeal to the sense of unity and inter-help. Inclusion of students with special needs, opening the school to the community through music and dance.

Description

2016/2017 - Dance activity (open to the Educational Community) and visualization of a story alluding to the theme with special needs students (Autism Spectrum Disorder).

2017/2018 - Students rehearsed and organized an inclusive flash mob for presentation to the school and community.

Results

Students with educational needs were able to participate actively in the activity. There was a lot of community support.

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2016/2017 - https://bit.ly/2y9fR7p

2017/2018 - https://goo.gl/gQ2Wj6





Inclusive Karaoke

Aim

To develop group work, promote the inclusion of students with special needs and improve social skills. We have used karaoke as a tool for language, intellectual, personal, and emotional development as well as cultural growth.

Description

The Erasmus students formed small groups with the special needs students. Each group had a tablet where they could choose a song to sing.

Results

All groups were cooperating with the students with special educational needs, promoting inclusion.





<u>View more...</u> - https://goo.gl/LDgMjm

Debate

Aim

Make known the Erasmus+ program, encourage student participation.

Description

A group of 7th graders organized a debate for colleagues and guardians to raise awareness of the Erasmus program. The project coordinator was responsible for opening the debate. The audience could actively participate by asking questions and clarifying doubts.





Results

It was possible to give projection to the program between teachers, students and their families.





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Prejudice Hopscotch

Aim

To promote the sharing of personal experiences on prejudice, indifference, among others; inclusion of students with special needs.

Description

Students played at prejudice hopscotch sharing difficult experiences and thinking of possible solutions for them with the words available in the game. Students with special needs participated through the tablet with augmentative communication software.

Results

Students have increased their problem-solving skills which indirectly collaborate to improve their interpersonal relationships and inclusion in society.



<u>View more....</u> - http://bit.ly/2RGSp9D





DURING THE LEARNING ACTIVITY

Inclusive Games

Aim

Warm-up activity, students breaking the ice and getting familiar with some information about the other students of the group. Noticing the similarities and differences between the students of different countries and promoting the inclusion of the special needs students.

Description

All students, including special needs students, were divided into 8 teams and they were competing with each other. They were able to participate 5 different games:

- Rope traction: Each team picks up one side of the rope and stretches it so that
 the mark lies on the centre line. To the sound of the whistle each team pulls
 the rope to their side. The team that can pull the rope so that the mark
 overcomes, to its side, the line that delimits its terrain, wins.
- Bag Racing: To the sound of the whistle, the first of the queues enter the bags, jump the beacon and back. When they return to the queue, they hand the bag to their next teammate. The group that does it all faster wins.
- Skeet Racing: To the sound of the whistle, the first of the queues take the sticks, go to the beacon, and back. When they arrive at the queue, they deliver the sticks to their next teammate. The group that does it all faster wins.
- Skiing: The teams put on the skis. To the sound of the whistle they move together to the flag, go around it and then go back. The group that does it all faster wins.
- Game of squares: To the sound of the whistle, the first of the queues, go to the flag and go back, using two squares (must always be on top of the square).
 When they arrive at the queue they deliver the squares to the next teammate.
 The group that does it all faster wins.

Results

As a final product, students of each country, including special need students, formed a letter from the word "ERASMUS+" with their own bodies. The objectives were achieved successfully, since it was possible to include students with special needs in all games, as well as in the elaboration of the final product. In addition, in carrying out the proposed activities, all collaborated in groups to achieve the tasks, improving their interpersonal skills and teamwork.









<u>View more</u>... - http://bit.ly/2QIBMsQ

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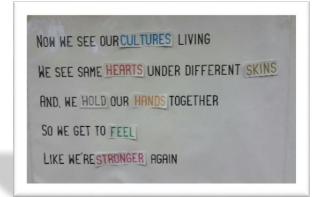
Description

Each student from each country took a different colour balloon. Students with balloons of the same colour formed a group and teachers formed a different group. Each group had a tablet where they could choose a song to sing. As a final product of the activity, a poster with a chorus of a song was presented, where all the groups could complete it with words under the topic Same but Different.

Results

The objectives were achieved with high levels of participation. All groups were cooperating with students with special educational needs. With the construction of the final product, the students were able to reflect on the importance of music as a link between people.









The ecological Corridor

Aim

Warm-up activity, breaking the ice between students, teachers and families. Expanding vocabulary.

Description

A part of Earth history, representing at least 250 million years of Palaeozoic Era can be observed in the area of the Valongo's Palaeozoic Park. The interpretative circuit has three geo-trails (green, red and yellow trails) that show different aspects of geodiversity. More recently the Municipality of Valongo established an "ecological corridor" profiting the green geo-trail of Palaeozoic Park and linking the urban area to the field.

At the invitation of the Valongo City Hall, parents, teachers and students went to the Paleozoic Park of the Valongo mountain range and took the ecological corridor to the village of Couce. In addition to the contact with nature and its Paleozoic footprint, there were moments of conviviality and spirit of help among all those who were struggling to complete the journey.

Results

At the end of the course and during the lunch each student was given a cardboard footprint, in which they had to look for different words in different languages, on the theme of our project. With this final product, in addition to expanding the vocabulary of each student, it was possible to see parents and teachers involved in this activity, collaborating in the discovery of words, and consequently reflecting on the purpose of this project.

The objectives were accomplished, the students learned about Paleozoic footprint and it was a learning moment and a lot of fun for everyone.









Workshops in cooking

Aim

To promote group work, increase awareness and acceptance of the difference between cultures.

Description

Students had the opportunity to participate in several workshops, increasing their knowledge about Portuguese culture and gastronomy.

In the final product, they could create a recipe, with the ingredients needed for more tolerance and acceptance of difference in today's society.

Results

The final product was successfully completed. All the students, in small groups, were able to delineate a recipe with specific ingredients for creating peace in the world and union of societies, overcoming the barriers of difference and prejudice.





ICT Workshop

Aim

Showing the different partners that in Portugal there is a close connection of cooperation between the school and the police agents; introducing the students to the dangers of social networks; alerting that personal data/various information should never be shared with people we do not know, even if they have been friends for a long time on the Internet; pointing out that the disclosure of photos or videos of other people, without their consent, is a crime and punished by law; using various digital resources to stimulate student participation as well as increasing writing in English;





introducing the eTwinning platform to students, registering them, and using it to simulate a chat; using secure platforms to disseminate activities and profiles.

Description

- 1- Lecture on the dangers of social networks and the new rules on data protection, carried out by the agents of the Safe School Police Óscar Rodrigues and Francisco Taveira;
- 2- Use of Mentimeter (https://www.mentimeter.com) to create a cloud of ideas about the safe internet;
- 3- Conducting a chat using the eTwinning page (https://twinspace.etwinning.net/29400);
- 4- Use of the padlet tool (https://padlet.com/veraborgeslopes/students_photos) to disseminate/share the best moments of the visits to the different countries, through photos published by students and teachers.

Results

Students had an active participation of students and teachers. Students used the eTwinning platform and improved written and spoken English. And finally students and teachers shared the best moments of all visits.



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Results

As a final product, each group created a reflection phrase on the activity: "Find similar points in the different stories you have heard (write a sentence or a word)" or "Choose a life story and tell us how it can help you in your own life". Then they wrote the sentences/words on a poster with the design of a human body.

This activity was very successful. It was an opportunity to develop interpersonal relationships among students as well as bringing them closer to people with different life histories, rich in learning, which allowed them to increase their understanding of prejudice and stereotypes, in a structured, protected and time-limited environment.





News on our project

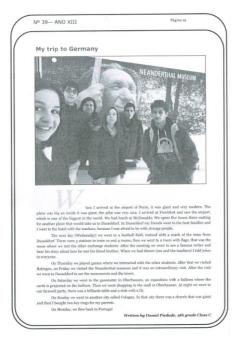
Apart from all the activities that teachers and students prepared for this learning activity, our school community and the local press tried to spread all the tasks that our project had done.

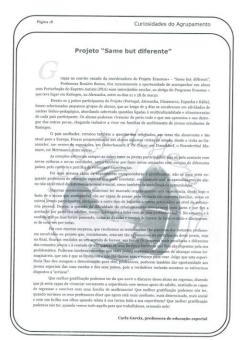




1. School magazine articles.







<u>View more... News in +educação (Valongo education newspaper)</u> - http://bit.ly/20oi7BJ





2. News in the A Voz de Ermesinde, a local newspaper.





http://www.avozdeermesinde.com/index.asp?idEdicao=350&id=11042&idSeccao=3849&Action=noticia

http://bit.ly/2RHsheM





3. News in the Town Hall Facebook.



Os alunos e professores do projeto "Same but different" do programa Erasmus+ do Agrupamento de Escolas de S. Lourenço (Ermesinde) foram recebidos na Câmara Municipal de Valongo, onde agradeceram a hospitalidade do Município e ficaram a conhecer melhor as tradições e o património do concelho.

A parceria deste projeto, que decorre entre setembro de 2016 e setembro de 2018, é composta por Portugal, Espanha, Itália, Dinamarca e Alemanha (país coordenador), sendo o inglês a língua franca utilizada pois faz parte do currículo de todas as escolas envolvidas.

O projeto "Same but different", do programa Erasmus+, abre diversas possibilidades de interação e reflexão, abordando importantes objetivos estratégicos proclamados na Estratégia 2020 da União Europeia, nomeadamente integração, inclusão e proteção social para combater a pobreza e a exclusão social.

É também um desafio para este projeto reduzir a taxa de abandono escolar precoce, o que contribuirá para que as crianças vivam com mais dignidade. Os objetivos deste projeto são fomentar uma melhor compreensão entre as pessoas e as culturas, mostrar as vantagens da diversidade e, finalmente, ajudar a resolver e prevenir conflitos interculturais.



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