Face the past, change our future - Casting light on the shadows of our history

Erasmus+ project 2019-2121



We live in a time of relative peace and prosperity; yet the history of Europe is littered with dark and sinister events. Some more famous, some darker than others. What can these horrible incidents teach us about ourselves in the present? How have people tried to put right past wrongs? Are there parallels with current affairs in the world today?

The rise of the far-right, racism, xenophobia, nationalistic policies, strong man politics and a distrust in institutions are trends that are spreading throughout Europe and the world. Are there parallels in history that could warn and guide us away from these paths?

Friendship, knowledge, understanding and cultural insight are some of the best tools we have to counter these alarming trends.

We gain these qualities by exploring other cultures & their histories; sharing the best experiences whilst appreciating the differences between us. That is what this project is about. If you have an interest in history, culture, meeting people & broadening your horizons then we would like you to apply to our Erasmus+ project. This will be a unique chance to make new friends, participate in an another culture and see your own in a different light.

The project will consist of five, one week long exchanges, one in each participating country, over two years; the working language is English.

The project is open to all students in 4e and 3e classes. Participants will be required to make contributions throughout the two year period around the time of the exchanges.

20 students from each school will take part; in groups of 5, they will go on one visit abroad with 2 teachers; and in turn will host one visitor at their home.

Information-meeting:

Come to room D006 on Monday 30th September at 10h10 for more information about the project.

Application by letter:

Write a letter of application describing your interest in the topic and why you would make a good participant (send it by email until Thursday 3rd October)

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Participating Schools:

Instituut Spijker, Hoogstraten, Belgium;

Oskar-Maria-Graf-Gymnasium Neufahrn bei Freising Germany;

Katedralskolan Skara, Sweden;

Lycée Josy Barthel Mamer, Luxembourg;

IES Pedro Jiménez Montoya, Baza, Spain.

"Those who cannot learn from history are doomed to repeat it."
George
Santayana

The Exchanges

Belgium 20-26 October 2019

Germany 2-8 February 2020

Sweden 6-10 October 2020

Spain 1-6 February 2021

Luxemburg 25 April—1 May 2021