







GREETINGS FROM TOMORROW" SECOND STUDENT EXCHANGE

"Global Warming and Communities Today"

<u> 24 – 28 APRIL 2017</u>

PARIS / FRANCE

BULGARIAN TEAM

TRAVEL DIARY

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We are Katrin, Maria and Alex and we represented Bulgaria and our school – 119th Secondary School "Academician Mihail Arnaudov" in Bretigny-sur-Orge, France. We were with our teachers Ms Tsvetanka Tananova and Ms Silviya Petrova, participating in the second course "Global Warming and Communities Today"- a part of the Erasmus+ project "Greetings from Tomorrow".



Monday, 24th April 2017

On Monday morning we and our hosts arrived at Lycee Polyvalent Jean-Pierre Timbaud. We were welcomed in a big hall where we listened to the speech of the Headmaster and the week's programme was presented to us. All the teams had the chance to present their countries and schools.



After that we had lunch at the school canteen and some of the friends of our hosts. In the early afternoon, after discussing about possible solutions for reducing global warming and the

different kinds of energies, we had a rally in Paris city center. We had home dinner at our hosts. It was an emotional day!

Tuesday, 25th April 2017

We had an early start of the day. At the school we were divided into two groups which rotated. The first group had a workshop about the greenhouse gases, responsible for global warming. The second group created masks and hats, recycling paper boxes. After we finished, we had a sort of a parade and lunch at the canteen. There was a very interesting costume competition for the students at school. In the afternoon we took a tour inside and spent some time in nature – the castle Chamarande and its park. We had a conversation about the biodiversity and the history of the castle.









Wednesday, 26th 2017

This morning we had an appointment in front of the train station and we departed to Versailles. Only Katrin had visited it because of another project. But Alex and I were really impressed by the size of the palace and the magnificent gardens. We had a tour in the palace and the gardens. And we even made a small "boat trip" in the lake after the lunch. The idea of the visit was to see at what extend the tourism affects the heritage sites and does it help to protect them. The weather was great and we really enjoyed being outside. After that we visited the estate of Trianon, the Grand and Petit Trianon palaces, which were fantastic. We also visited the building where Marie-Antoinette lived.



We were really tired at the evening so we went early to bed, almost right after dinner. Our teachers told us we have walked about 13-15 km or even more that day.

Thursday, 27th 2017

This day was one of the best. We started our trip for the day from the train station (we really like how fast the trains are here). When we arrived in Paris we had to find our way to the building of Louis Vuitton Foundation. We were told it is one of the modern buildings and that it is constructed with the idea to be more efficient and energy friendly. We were hoping they will give us some bags as presents...just kidding. There was a guide who assisted us through the building and told us about the coloured roof and the halls inside.





After the visit, we had lunch at the university. It was interesting at the canteen because the system is so different from the one in our school or even in our universities. It was delicious and gave us some power for the rest of the day. And we needed it because after lunch we had a boat trip along the Seine. For an hour we've watched the biodiversity preservation along the river but the weather wasn't with us — it was rainy and windy the whole trip.



We had some free time and dinner with our friends after we left Paris. But we also had some "homework" for the next day. Such a wonderful week so far!

Friday, 28th 2017

Friday was a busy day. We had workshops connected with the dance for the Earth day. All of us and some of the teachers made many rehearsals for the dance which we danced and recorded later. After the lunch we had some activities back to Paris – street art. In the evening we came back to the school gardens where we planted a tree as a symbol of the project. Then we started the preparation for the final night. The parents of our hosts had prepared dishes and we all had a very fun night, full of dances, laughter and jokes. It was the perfect party for good bye!





It was one of a life experience for all of us! Thank you, friends!