



Erasmus+



*Journal*

*Meeting Italy*

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*Our experiences from our visit to Avola are unique. We left from Trikala full of anxiety because we left back many obligations. We wanted to participate in this mobility because we believed that it would be a unique experience. It was the first time that we would travel abroad with the "family" of our school.*

*The first day we arrived at the hotel, where the Italian coordinator was waiting for us. We relaxed and in the evening we went to a pizzeria where all the project coordinators were*

there at a charity event. Most of us did not speak English well , but we tried to communicate with the other students.



The second day we woke up full of anxiety as we had to make some presentations about our city and our school . Although it was the first time that we had to speak in English in front of audience , we managed it! We felt like children again being together with students at the age of 15 years old. The afternoon was more relaxed as we visited the city of Avola.



On Thursday we visited Catania. A large city of Sicily with special architecture, with many buildings protected by UNESCO. And in the afternoon we were going to know an educational center which takes care of droppers. The surprise was a funny activity that we had to realize at the end. Painting!



The next day we visited a museum of Avola and then the mayor of the city, where we were welcomed warm up with various traditional dishes. During the visit to Noto we were impressed from the old classical buildings. In the afternoon, we had to work on the translation of the city guide. We cooperated and we were enthusiastic by the result.



On Thursday we visited the archaeological site in Syracuse, which looked like our own archaeological sites. There we felt proud of our ancestors and our history. We also visited churches that in ancient times were dedicated to goddess Athena and Artemis!



The last day it was the time for our teachers to present the phenomenon of drop out at our school. It was an interesting presentation as in our school most of the students were droppers at puberty, so we could express many reasons which explain this phenomenon.



*At the end we want to point out that despite our age we didn't face any problems and we worked harmonically with the other groups. We also want to congratulate our teachers , who work hard on this project and gave us this opportunity .For all of us it was a special experience, as certainly we could not make such a trip alone. We hope that we will have the chance to participate in another mobility too.*

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