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Social Media - Natural Learning Environment

CALTANISSETTA - ITALY

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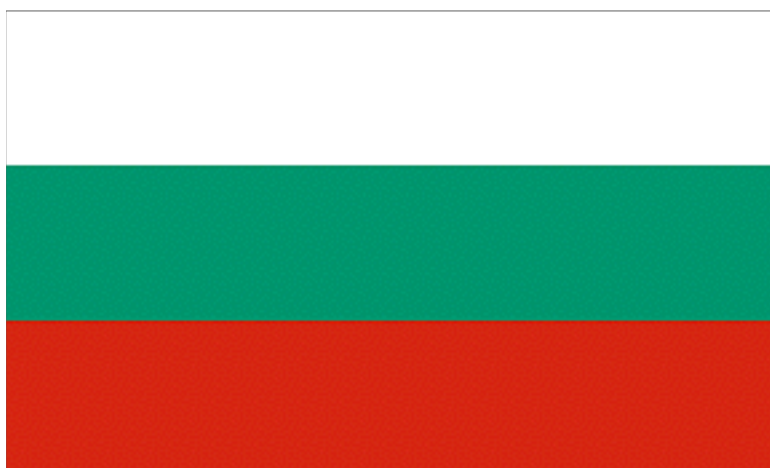
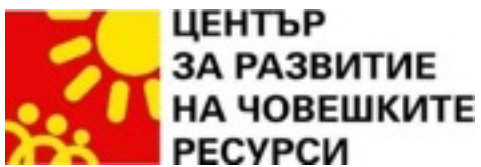
INTRODUCTION



The realization of the magazine “Alternatives” is one of the issues established by our Erasmus Project “Social Media: Natural Learning Environment”. All the partners performed the task to create different Hobbies Club at school (sports, drama, music, photography...) with the purpose to actualize activities that could represent some useful alternatives to social media: this is the meaning of the title of the magazine. Depending on their preference and skills, students have been divided into 4 hobbies groups and carried out specific activities.

They also contributed to writing articles to “Alternatives” magazine, promoting the adoption of healthy and responsible lifestyles by practicing these hobbies or other educational and free time activities.

Here the magazines realized by all the partners of the project: Bulgaria, Italy, Poland, Romania and Turkey. Enjoy your reading!



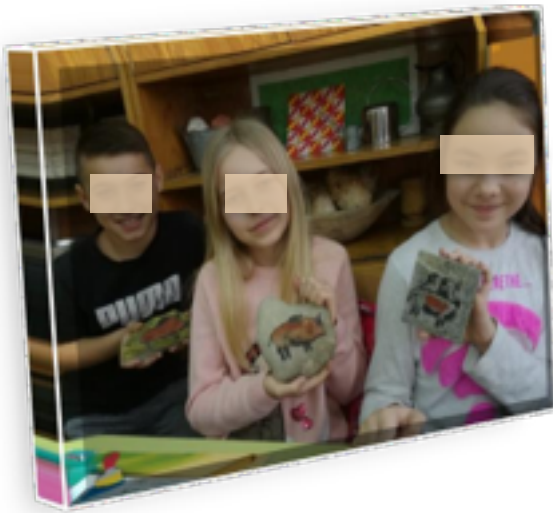
DIMITAR BLAGOEV PRIMARY VELIKO TARNOVO BULGARIA

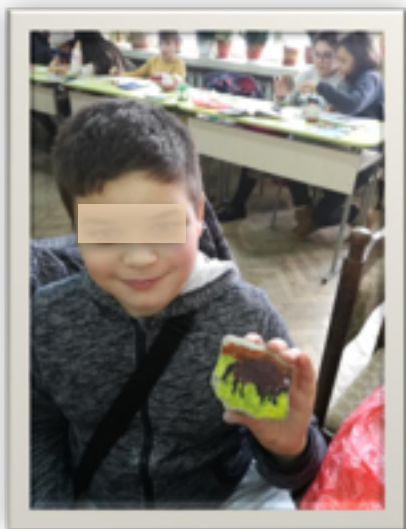
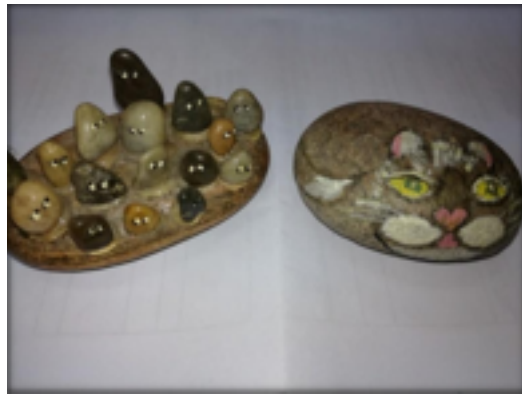


CRAFT AND ART

Fifth grades can draw and paint on stones!

The art of drawing on stone requires knowledge of history. Bulgarian students recreate cave paintings, immersing themselves in the ancient world of our ancestors. It is a great adventure to paint strange symbols, hunting or dancing people, and a wide variety of animals.









Students of 4th grade make wonders of clay!
They design, draw, make, bake and polish their marvelous traditional clay pots and win many awards in competitions. Our school is beautiful with their exhibitions and bazaars!
Enjoy their works!







TRADITIONAL AND HEALTHY LIFESTYLE - FOLK DANCE CLUB



Happy grandma's day – 21st January!

A lot of smiles, games and fun in second "A" grade!
Children recited, sang, danced, played games and helped their grandmothers. The grandparents surprised everyone with their homemade healthy and delicious food. We love you, grannies!





The first-graders and their parents made “survaknitsi” - a decorated dogwood twig. According to the old Bulgarian custom, on New Year's Day people lightly strike their backs with wishes for health, happiness and luck.



The decoration consists of twisted multicolored threads, yarn or wool, popcorn, dried plums, peppers and apples, ribbons and coins.



FOLKLORE CLUB – students from 2nd to 7th grade dance traditional folklore dances. They participate in folklore festivals and competitions and win a lot of prizes.



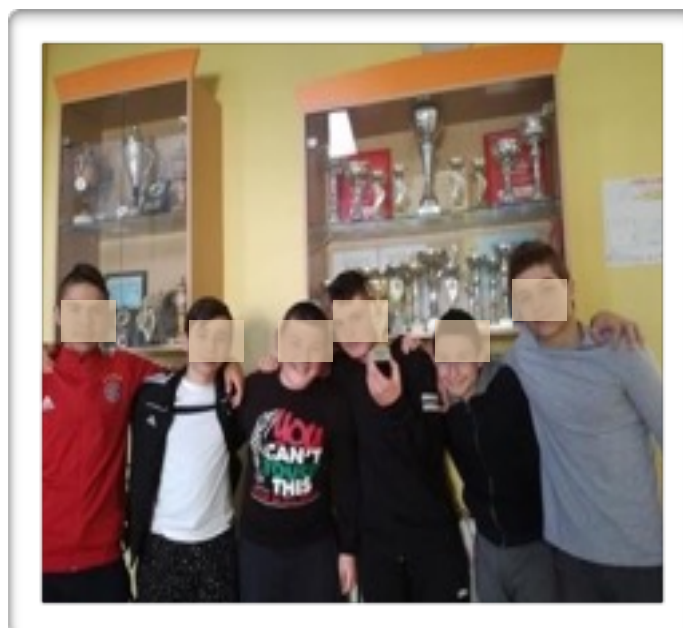


SPORT AND TOURISM CLUB

Sport clubs in Dimitar Blagoev Primary school are very popular. Our pupils play volleyball, table tennis, basketball, football. In all regional competitions they win cups and medals. Twice a year all classes organize an open-air Classroom in the nature. We also regularly take part in the European day of sport events.

Every summer there are “green” /in the mountain/ and “blue” /at the seaside/ schools.







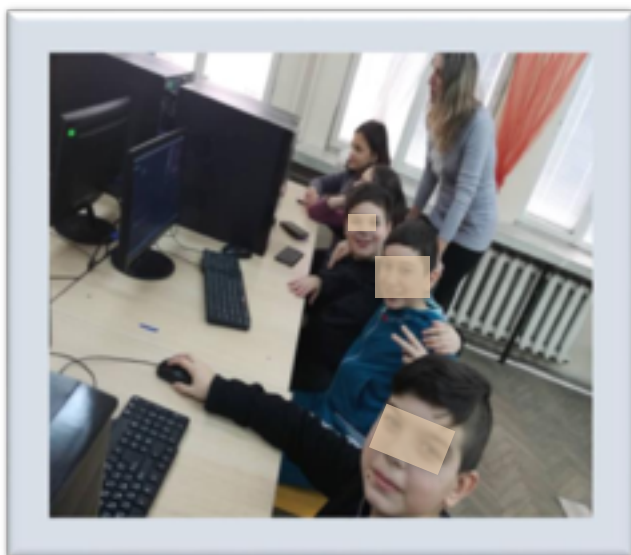
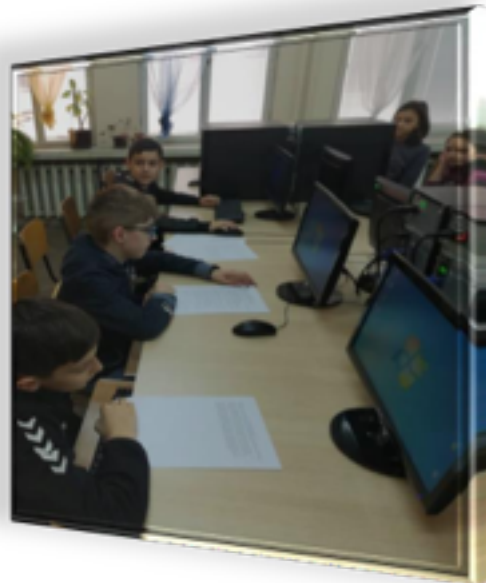


DIGITAL CLUB

Students from 3rd and 5th grade make their first steps in programming.
They create codes and animated cards while working in a virtual environment.



Their first task is to search and process information, related to interesting mathematical facts, capturing and processing with VideoMaker program.





ISTITUTO COMPRENSIVO LOMBARDO RADICE CALTANISSETTA ITALIA



INTRODUCTION



Hello everybody! This is our collection of activities regarding Hobbies Club in Italy: Sports and Dance Club, Music Club, Art Club and Photo and Technological Club.

Our students enjoyed very much spending time to use their creativity in a different way, using their hands to dance or to play volleyball and not to chat, using colors, paper, scissors and other materials to invent, to draw, to paint, to give new image to walls of our school and make them more funny and cozy for our Erasmus partners, using their fingers to take pictures, putting their look upon the landscape instead of a screen, using their voice to sing and their arm to play guitar, piano, flute or violin.

They learnt a lot through this experience, above all learning to use time in a more active way!

Let's start our tour of activities



ART CLUB

Art is something our students love very much: our school has always participated to competitions and prize giving, they have been always involved in set up of school during Christmas or Easter holidays or during Carnival, during our “open day” (the day when school is opened to the public to visit and know teachers and their activities just before enrollments), and even in this occasion, for our Erasmus Project, students participated with enthusiasm and joy to the equipment of walls, to the creation of flags, greetings, drawings and many other things. They communicate a lot through these activities, learning to stay with companions and share materials, to make the right choice of colors and sizes.

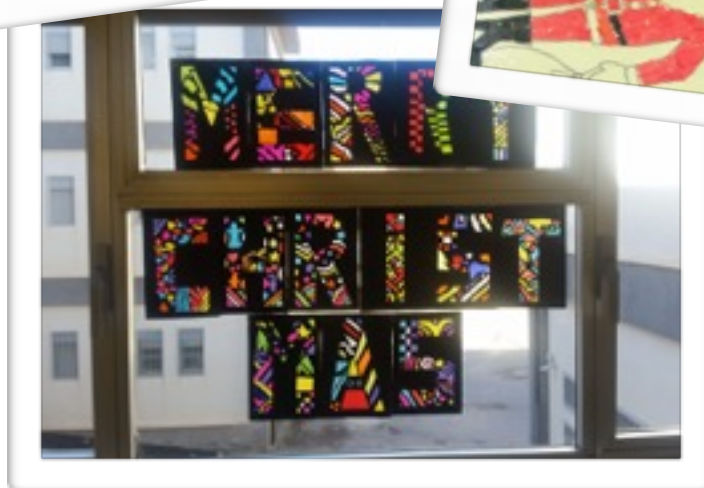
Photomontage collage on the wall



Creation of Christmas works



Creation of Christmas works



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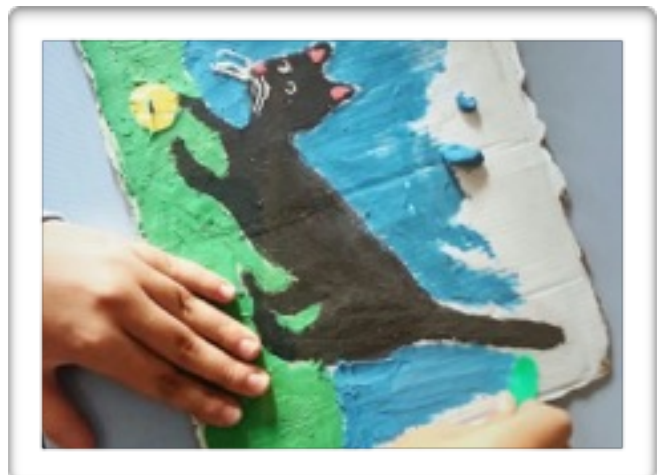
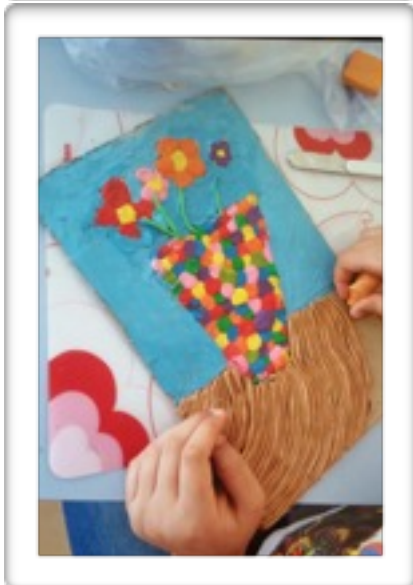
Backlight works



Creation of carnival works



Works realized with different techniques and materials





This work created by a 3D student is one among the ten who took the prize for the Competition "Peace and solidarity, the colors of life", of the Art School of EN-CL.



Laboratory activities for Erasmus corner.

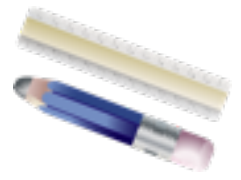


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PHOTO AND TECHNOLOGICAL CLUB



Our students are very good at using ICT at school! Our school is a 2.0 school and students work and study with IPad and tablets, realizing a lot of interesting and useful video or ppt presentations, they like it very much! They made a video presentation on the creation of a Tangram, a traditional Chinese puzzle made of a square divided into seven pieces (one parallelogram, one square and five triangles) that can be arranged to match particular designs. They used their IPads to make registration, is very funny for them to get involved as directors or actors explaining a process or telling something as they were the teachers!

Photo was a very exciting experience too: they learnt to use tripod and lense, to capture details, to observe better, to develop attention and, what's more, to look their town with new eyes. It was great!

The **TANGRAM** is an old Chinese game, composed of seven polygons.

That, at first formed a square.

The polygons are five triangles, a square and a parallelogram.



Taking a camera and catching the images of its own town is an enjoyable alternative to Social Media use!

... during a snowfall



... walking among the streets



... or in the silence of the night





SPORTS AND DANCE CLUB



Our students, in extracurricular hours, participated to the following competitions:

- Volleyball
- Badminton
- Offball
- Five-a-side football

On an ethic field, the efforts have been aimed at achieving the goal of an “clever behavior” able to put students in conditions to face up to problematic situations and to develop self control, socialization in order to communicate and affirm themselves in a social context.

The goal to combine fair play and cultural values has been reached.





Students execute **TRADITIONAL DANCES** on different musics - classical music, modern music, popular music-, acquiring conditions of psycho-physical wellbeing, strengthening self confidence and trust in others, investing energies through a common purpose.

Dance in groups becomes a way to stimulate dialogue and a constructive coexistence and to socialize.

The body is used to communicate and express individual and group affective states, involving mind and emotions in a calm and joyous climate.





MUSIC CLUB

Music has a very extraordinary power. It helps people to express their own feelings and emotions thanks to its therapeutical effects on body and soul; music is able to eliminate negative emotions like fear, anger or sadness, calm mind and reduce stress and get better concentration and the quality of thoughts. A world without music is impossible to imagine, it fills our day by day, is part of our lives and of our memories.







PRIMARY SCHOOL IN ZAGÓRZE POLAND



DANCING - DRAMA CLUB

There are many students in our school who love music. They love singing, dancing and having fun. All willing girls and boys practice dancing Polish dances together. They meet every week, create dance routines, laugh and enjoy themselves 😊



The leader of this club Mrs. Ewa Nowotny loves films and theaters too. Sometimes she even becomes a writer and director :) That's why she is trying to encourage students to express themselves by acting and performing on stage too. Students take role plays, have some acting lessons and perform for audience.



So remember: ready..steady..dance! :))

What is more, students are preparing delicious cakes, snacks and drinks for their schoolmates. The club would like to show how different food influence people's health and mood too.





SCIENCE - CULINARY CLUB



The organizers Mrs . Ewa Chrapek and Mrs. Magdalena Woźniak teach our students about all changes in people's life as well as in nature, biology, chemistry and physics'. They invite all willing ones to take part in their experimental lessons and meetings . During such workshops students talk about optical abstraction, illusion of moss, light and reality, invisible radiation, action that generates reaction, magnetism as an invisible force and differential pressure.

Older students presents a lot of chemical and physical experiments to their younger friends. By touching, mixing and conducting experiments they really enjoy chemistry and physics.





READING CLUB

As we all know reading allows a person to fly.. fly wherever he wants, not only in a geographical way but historical as well.

It is said that all answers we are looking for are somewhere there..between the books 'lines..between the words. Our Polish teachers Mrs. Lilianna Moskata and Mrs. Helena Domin know that perfectly and that is why they invited all mad readers to their club:)

They meet regularly. Where? In our school library of course :)

They talk about their favorite books or articles and encourage all students to read more:)

Not only students attend these meetings:) There are always some elderly guests from our village who want to share their passion for reading:)



Don't forget :
READING IS NOT A CRIME :)



SPORTS CLUB

It is extremely important to keep fit, not only for our physical health but mental ones as well :)

Training basketball, football, handball or volleyball let our students to feel better and to develop their sports skills and talents.

Our PE teacher organizes The Sports Club meetings twice a week. Students play various games then. They practice tricks, techniques of playing, they are taught how to make their best and have fun doing a sport :)



Training sessions are organized so often, that they push our school teams to win many tournaments eg. :

- The First place in basketball regional tournament (Boys and girls' team)
- The First place in handball regional tournament (Boys' team)
- The Second place in handball regional tournament (Girls' team)
- The Second place in basketball district tournament (Boys' team).



Mr. Mariusz Maj is a great fun of volleyball and handball too and he often takes our teenagers to watch matches with him in a real volleyball/handball pitch:)

LET'S DO A SPORT THEN:)



**SCOALA GIMNAZIALĂ
"TUDOR VLADIMIRESCU"
PITESTI - ROMANIA**



INTRODUCTION



Since “Tudor Vladimirescu” Secondary School from Pitesti has been taking part in the ERASMUS+ Social Media - Natural Learning Environment Project, we have mainly focused on the activities that are implemented within the hobby clubs, clubs that we initiated with the special purpose of encouraging the social interaction between our students.

Each of the activities of these clubs represents an advantage for students since they can use their time rationally and express themselves freely.



PAINTING - ORIGAMI - QUILLING CLUB



Art has always been loved and cherished by each and every one of us. That is why the Painting Club within the ERASMUS+ Project has been created to cultivate our students' creative side and to develop their skills concerning the beautiful. This club is held once a week, every Tuesday, between 12.00 and 13.00, and is coordinated by teacher Simona Ioana Ivan. In this club, about 24 students enjoy, create and learn a lot about what art means and how to use it in order to fill their own expectations. Within the club, we organized a competition, according to which we decided the representative logo for Erasmus. The students were thus very happy to receive prizes for their work.

On Christmas, we also made the Erasmus tree, beautifully decorated with globes that children painted at this club. Every globe contained the flag of each participant country and winter symbols like snowflakes or shining stars.

Cards and hand-made gifts were also made by our students on Valentine's Day. They were happy to spread love among their classmates and were proud of their work.



The **ORIGAMI-QUILLING** club was created to improve our students' handcrafting skills, to give them the opportunity to express themselves not only with their mind but also with their hands. This club is also divided in two subcategories, initiated coordinated by two different teachers: Marioara Tudor and Mihaela Neagu. They are held every Tuesday and Monday, at 18.00, and the activities developed within them are very involving and attractive.





SPORTS CLUB

We thought that sport is also an important key to our students' physical and emotional personal development, that is why we gave birth to the Sport Club, divided in two subcategories: the mini-handball team and the football girls team. The first one is coordinated by teacher Alin Mihaila and holds in two different days, once a week: on Tuesday from 17.00 to 18.00 and on Wednesday between 16.00 and 17.00. It unites about 50 students within it. So does the second one, that is coordinated by teacher Oprea Catalin, and holds every Saturday, between 17.00 and 19.00. During these clubs, our students enjoy making physical exercises, developing thus their motrical skills.

We are proud to admit that, after being highly prepared by the two coordinators of tis club, our students won many different competitions such as the first prize at „The Olympics of Secondary Schools”. Their progress is incredibly visible and they are worth to be appreciated and supported.



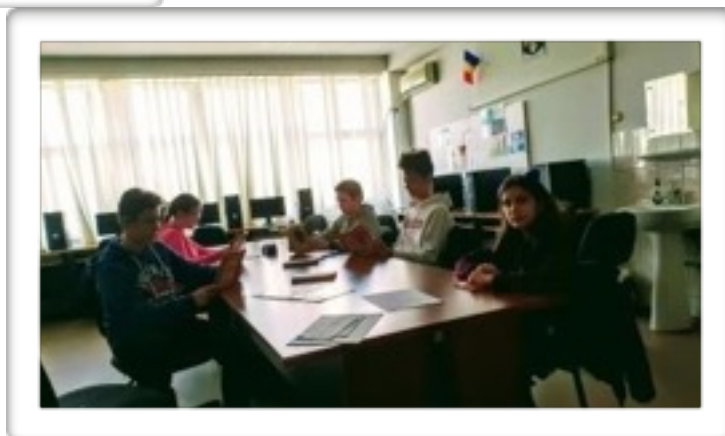


READING CLUB

Within the Reading Club, coordinated by teachers Elena Mihail and Ionela Gheorghe, the students get lost in what we call “the world of books”. They are carefully supervised and encouraged to read and express their opinions and points of view about what they read.

This club is usually held on Thursday, between 14.00 and 15.00, once a month.

At this club, students not only read and discuss ideas about reading, but also are very interested in other cultures' writers. They searched for information about Italian poets such as Eugenio Montale or Salvatore Quasimodo.





“HORA” DANCING - DRAMA CLUB



If it is not dance that fills our souls, what else could do it? It is this the idea we came from when we decided to initiate this dancing club, coordinated by teacher Cristina Maricescu, that succeeds in bringing together about 20 students, every Tuesday, between 13.00 and 14.00.

With both our dancing and chorus club, our students reached success. They were part of the project “Christians, Christmas has come!”, where they also won different prizes.



We chose **DRAMA** as the topic of a hobby club in our school because drama enhances English learning and students love English. The club attempts to help students develop their fluency and self- confidence while speaking in public. Both students and teacher come to know each other better and students learn to express themselves while using English more confidently.

Drama comes to determine students to find out more about what transposing into a character's shoes truly means. Here they feel free to imagine and be someone else for a while, even if sometimes it becomes really hard to do it.

The club is coordinated by teacher Magdalena Dumitru and holds every Friday, between

12.00 and 13.00. About 12 students are involved in this club and it is worth mentioning that it represented, like all others clubs, a big success.



“DORULETUL” CHORUS CLUB

Teacher Madalina Barbu, the coordinator of this club, has been teaching our students the best about the art of music.

Every Friday, between 18.00 and 19.00, our students raise their voices to give out what they have best. They have been impressing through personality and artistic style everywhere they went to.

Our chorus club is also proud to participate at many national and international cultural performings, to have joined many famous chorus such as Madrigal, and to have felt happy to sing on the stage next to them in a Christmas concert.

On the 8th March, they also organized an incredible show that reached our souls and filled our ears. Many songs were performed within the show and the atmosphere was truly impressive.

All in all, these hobby clubs have a great impact on our students, giving them the chance to move slowly from formal to informal, to develop new skills, to express freely about what they really think and to empathize more with other students.





**OĞUZHAN SECONDARY
SCHOOL
IZMIR - TURKEY**



DRAMA CLUB

We have 2 drama clubs in our school. The first one language is our mother language (Turkish). It is set up by Turkish and Professional drama teachers. They do 2 lessons every week and their aim is to prepare our students for national ceremonies. That's why, they always prefer making memories some short stories to our students and they expect them to act in the ceremony time. The second one language is English and German. In our weekdays lessons, (from Monday to Friday) we have 2 lessons in each grades. We planned some concepts for each months last summer our school's workshop. So every teacher know what they will do every month.

Our aim is to teach some phrases about daily speaking English to our students because we believe that if our students live and use English where ever (school, home, cafe, shopping center), they can believe speaking English fluently yourselves and they can understand that they don't need to be with us to speak something in other language.





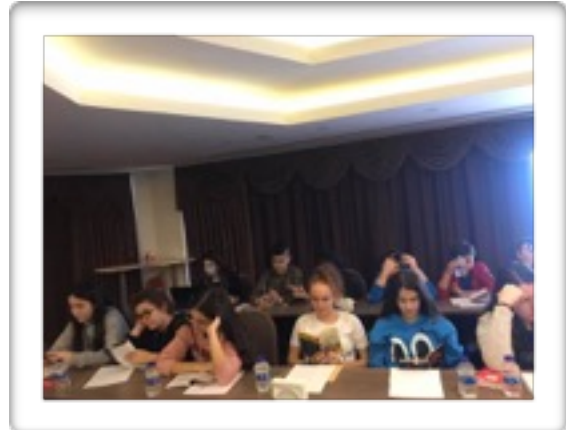




BIG READ & READING CLUB

Our English teachers set up the reading club. Every Saturday, our students come to this club with their favourite books and dictionary. We give some free time them to read and do analysis about books' characters and new words for them. After that, they share their ideas about books with their friends and sometimes they can borrow, lend and share their books each other. If the weather is good or our students are enough good to do that, we can sometimes change our club places. They can be motivated and have a great imagination. We work with a English book seller company (Oxford University Press) and they organize a 'BIG READ' competition twice a year so we buy some books from this company and we join this competition every year. Last year, we won 1.st Raunt of the Aegean Sea winner medals. Our students are so excited about this competition and they are so ambitious too.

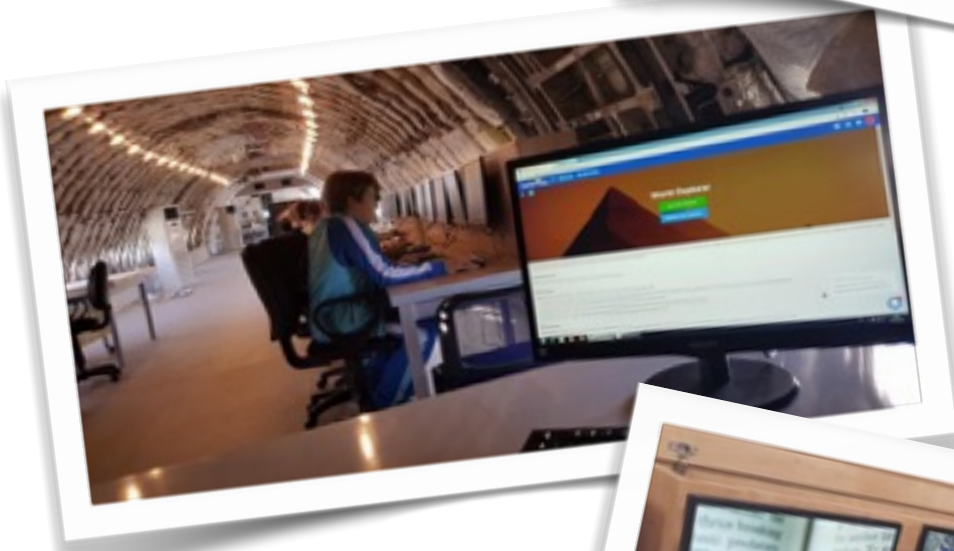
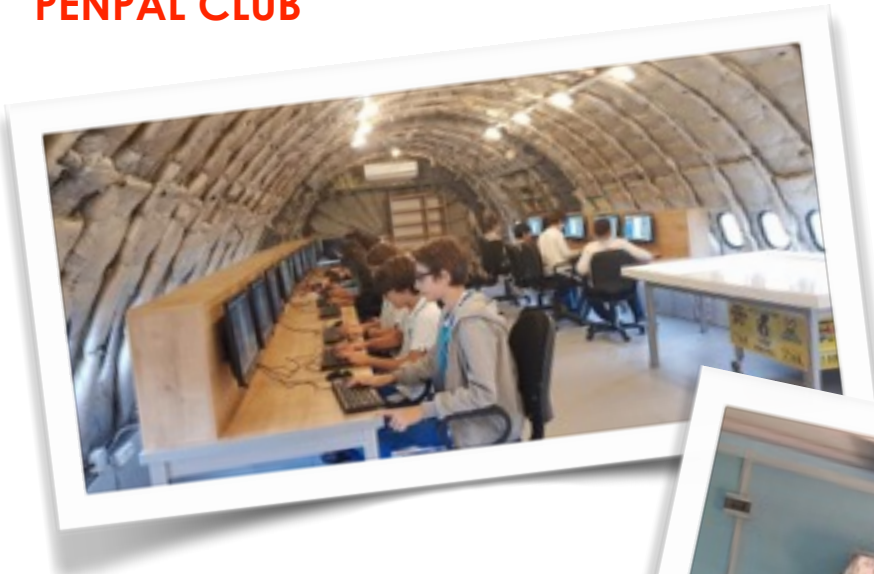




BIG READ COMPETITIONS



PENPAL CLUB





TRACK TEST & CAMBRIDGE CLUB

We have been doing international exams club for 5 years. Every year, in May, our students attend an international exam and get certificate to use for applying a job, a university or a chance to live abroad. The club starts in October and continues to the first week of May. The first term of the school year, we do a level exam to our students to decide which exam they can attend and get achievement – certificate from it. After decided their levels, we divide to the 4 parts our students and we prepare lessons about exams topics. They are not just grammar, we focus to improve their skills abilities too. All the first term, we complete all the topics. And the second term, we apply sample exams to our students. One week, they enter this exam and the other week, we solve their exams together and explain their mistakes or unknown situations. In this way, they don't feel stressed and do panic in real exam.







ROBOTIC CLUB

Our world is changing that's why our students' interests are changing too. They always like playing computers or technological things. So our science teachers set up this club for our students can create a robot themselves. They can learn some experiments about science, using cables, some codes to make a robot move. This week one of our students attend a robotic competition in a university in Turkey and she won the competition, she was the 2nd person in it. And we are so proud of her.





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