

## Webs - our visit to Berlin

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On September 16, 2019, a group of students and teachers from I Liceum Ogólnopolskie im. Mikołaja Kopernika w Katowicach began the next part of the Webs project devoted to bilingual teaching. A group of young people from our school joined in Berlin students from Spain, the Netherlands and Germany to learn about multilingualism in partner schools. On the first day we listened to students from Luarca and Roermond, who told us

about the bilingual and trilingual teaching in their schools. We also had the opportunity to talk about our school and its achievements to everybody present. We spent the second part of the day exploring the capital of Germany. The students' task was to collect materials for a film documenting old and modern Berlin. What made this day unique was a cruise on the Spree River .



We started the second day of the exchange with a workshop, because the project is not only



on theory, but also a practical application of foreign languages teaching. Students shared their experience on learning in a bilingual section. We also listened to presentations prepared by the German students on the functioning of bilingual schools in Berlin at primary and secondary levels. The most entertaining part of the day was theatrical

workshop during which one could demonstrate creativity and imagination.

The third day in Berlin was dedicated to school activities. Students, as well as teachers, took part in various lessons (English, Spanish, mathematics, art, chemistry, physical education). The main surprising thing was us was the fact that in German school classes last 1.5 hours, followed by a 20-minute break. The lessons were interesting and conducted with commitment.



The next day of the project was really amazing. Students from Copernicus High School together with their German colleagues were looking for Polish "traces" in Berlin. During the workshop with a map in hand, they walked a route including interesting places of Polish origin. Then we traveled this route together: we visited the Polish Institute, a gallery of unusual posters from various cultural events in Poland, and the ironic - satirical Polish Loser Club. The culmination of the expedition was a monument commemorating German - Polish - Russian friendship in former East Berlin. Just on a last day a summary of our visit to Berlin, saying goodbye and unfortunately we had to go home.

