

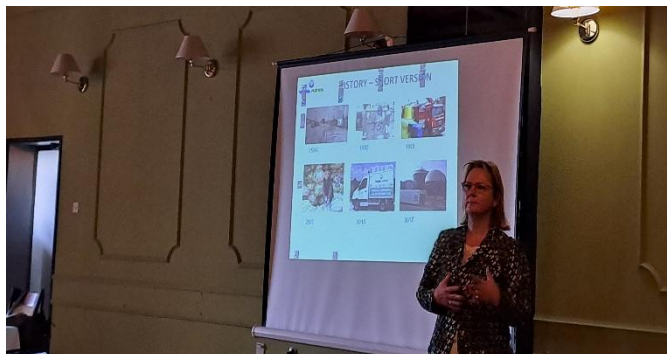
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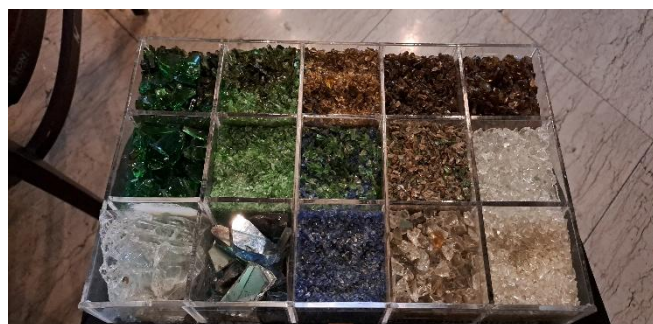
PROJEKT: Active EU Citizen: Zero waste

Wednesday 15 October 2025

On Wednesday our day started at breakfast buffet with all children from different countries that were there. First workshop of this day was right after breakfast and the topic was **recycling glass**. The nice lady that was presenting this topic to us said that there are lots of things that we normally use and are made from recycled glass, some lamps, windows, fancy arts, wine/beer bottles and so much more. When they recycle glass, they

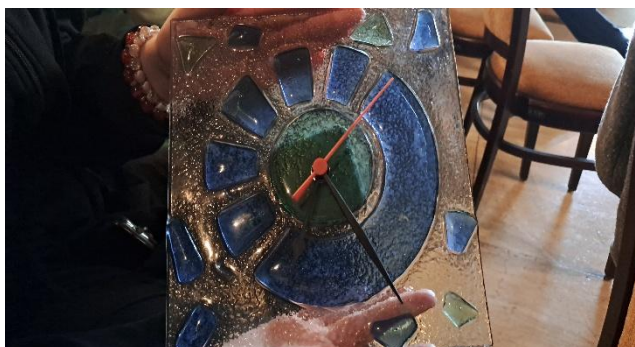


always have to separate it by colour, even when there are some little pieces they have to separate before they recycle it. Glass can be recycled almost infinite times. You have to melt the glass and then slowly shape it while it's cooling down and then the glass is made. It's the same process as when you make it completely new. After finding out all these interesting things about recycling glass, **we were split into groups of five and every member of one group was from different country**. Our task was to communicate and **finish all quests that**



were on papers about recycling that were given to us. For some people was talking in English really hard so we had to communicate with hands sometimes. After long work we finished all papers and the first team that finished everything and had everything right received an award afterwards.

Our next workshop was about activism. Activism means “taking action to make a change in your community or the world”, so it's when people stand up for what they believe is right (fighting against unfairness or for the environment). Another sweet lady that was here for this workshop told us a lot of important things about this topic, like how does everything start or about the nonviolence. **We found out that nonviolence is the rejection of violence and a method of acting without violence. Nonviolence is a combination of a personal ethical stance and a means of struggle for social justice.** She even told us a story about some students starting protests, they just filled up whole streets and it was really big thing in that time. The most famous people known for protests are **Greta Thunberg, Mahatma Gandhi, Nelson Mandela and so many more**. We even learned how to make petitions and we know now that anyone can start any petition or protest, anytime and about any topic that bothers them. The main question at the end of this presentation

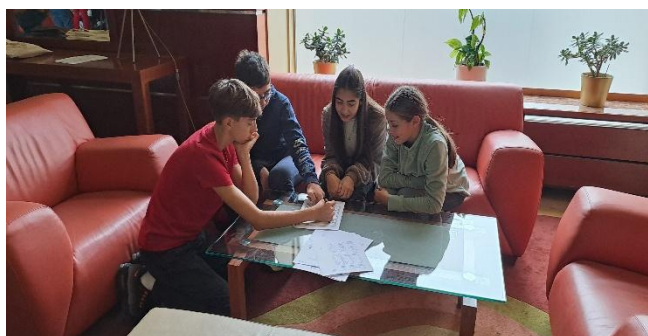




was “What’s the one thing you care about that you’d like to change-and how would you take action? “. Someone said that they would change the school lunches so they would taste better, another one said we should fight for better environment and others ide as. **Before the end of this workshop we**

split into the same groups again and we tried to make our own petition on some internet page for petitions. These workshops gave us a lot of new information that are really important so I’m grateful for this opportunity. It was almost half past one so it was time for lunch at our hotel. For lunch they made us chicken with vegetable risotto.

We had a little free time after lunch and then we went to the **Natural history museum.** Firstly, we had a little workshop about insect and we were talking about **insect hotels, birdhouses and bat houses.** What I found most interesting was the fact that when you once build a birdhouse and put some food for the birds there you can’t stop doing it, because all those birds that were going for food there every day will die when you stop. They won’t know how to get food anymore, because they didn’t have to do that when you were putting food in the birdhouse for them. But it’s still a good idea to build it when you know you won’t stop putting food in it. **Then we were building insect houses in groups** and we used just some woods, sticks that we put into toilet paper roll, and that’s it. This was really easy and fun to do and the best thing is that we can do this at home too!



After finishing our beautiful insect hotels, we had a **Guided tour of the museum** where we saw so many stuffed animals, insect and fishes. The guide said that all these animals weren’t killed and then stuffed. They were in a good caring zoo and died because of illness or because of their age. Then the zoo gave the body to this museum and here they took care of it



and carefully stuffed it or put it into a jar with formaldehyde. There were even sharks there that were found in the near sea, some weird sea creatures that we never saw in our lives or even pretty big model of Bombyx mori with is a special type of night butterfly that isn’t wild in nature. The next part of the museum was about the life before us or in the Ice age.

There was really big model of dinosaur's leg and really real looking models of ice age humans.

They had big models of viruses too and a lot of really good-looking stones or minerals, we could look at them by microscope and they were even more beautiful like this. At the end, the guide show us space in real time on

“deep space“ app. He showed us Mercury, our Earth and even a black hole. This was so mind-blowing to see these planets in really time and just by some app.



I could never imagine that we could ever do this, it was really cool to see it. When it was end of this wonderful tour/workshop we went to supermarket for some fresh fruits and snack. It is some difference between our supermarkets and supermarkets there in Croatia. We were all paying on **self-checkout machine**, because there weren't any other checkout. So that



was quite strange for us but the supermarket by itself was pretty similar to ours. When we bought everything, we needed to go back to our hotel by the tram (this time we didn't have any problem with the tickets...). For dinner they made us some yummy soup, pork steak with potatoes and as a dessert tiramisu :). We end the night with some yapping with children from Spain and

then it was time for bed time and chilling.

I really enjoyed this Erasmus trip. I met a lot of nice people and made new friends. The activities and programme were most of the time really amazing and thanks to it **I have a lot of new knowledge about recycling, making chocolate or how does it work in Croatia.** I'm so grateful that our school does Erasmus like this and I'm really glad that I went on this one.

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