



SKUPINOVÁ MOBILITA: Osnovna škola Sveti Petar Orehovec (Zagreb), Chorvatsko

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On Thursday morning, we had to wake up earlier than usual because we needed to take a bus to another city. We woke up on time, so we had enough time for a big and delicious breakfast. After eating, we went to our rooms to pack everything we needed for the whole day. The bus left the hotel at 8:30 a.m. and the journey to **the city**



of Križevci took about one and a half hours. During the bus ride, we had the opportunity to talk with other students from different countries, which was really nice.

Battery recycling lecture

Our first stop was at the **city library in Križevci**. We went through the library to a room with many chairs and a projector. There we had a lecture from the **Friš company about battery recycling**. We didn't know that the mass from batteries is recycled in Germany. To be honest,



the lecture wasn't very interesting for me. After the presentation, we had some time to look around the whole library. Compared to the one in Brno, it was quite small, but there were still many books, several computers, board games, and even gaming console. All the books were in Croatian, so we couldn't understand anything.

Visit to Ivan Seljanec high school

Then we walked to a high school which was very close to the library. Some students from that school told us their story about a lost passport during an Erasmus exchange stay. They also showed us the spaces of their school and the projects they create there. This was the most interesting part of the day for me! They built a fully electric car with solar panels, a go-kart with a combustion engine, and another go-kart powered by electricity. Everything was assembled by the students of the school. I was really impressed that students only a little bit older than us could build such amazing things, especially the solar electric car.

In one of the workshops, there was a large model of the Eiffel Tower that they made themselves. Then they took us to another room where they explained how everything works at their school. We learned that if students pay for the materials, they can keep their projects. After that, they showed us a computer









classroom, the programs they work with, and what their assignments look like. After this presentation, we left the school, got on the bus, and continued our journey.

Recycling yard and waste landfill

The next stop was a stinky landfill where we got a **short explanation about**

how landfills work. It was interesting because I had never seen a landfill before. Then we drove to the recycling yard, where there was a longer lecture about waste sorting and recycling. We saw cubes of compressed waste, a container of broken glass, and wood in small pieces. It was educational to see how waste is actually sorted and prepared to be recycled.

Lunch and return to school

The next stop was lunch at a four-star hotel called Kalnik. The food was good. we had

schnitzel again. After lunch, we finally drove to the elementary school where the Croatian students were from. These were the students we were staying with in Zagreb and who were with us at all the events. We arrived at the school during break time, so all the students welcomed us, until the bell rang and they went to their classes.



Workshops and activities

We **split into two groups** and looked around the school. It was a small school in a small village, but it had a large gym. Then, in two groups, we went to **make a candle holder from an old jar and pieces of newspaper.** It was an example of a product made from recycled materials. I enjoyed making the lantern and mine turned out well. **The other group had painted jars.**



When we finished, we went to the art classroom where snacks and chips were waiting for us. We the Czech students brought lots of traditional sweets for other students to taste, which was a nice gesture.

Final event and certificates

Then the programme continued in the gym. They showed photos from the school's events, the mayor of the town spoke, and students from the school sang and danced. **We received**



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certificates for completing the Erasmus program and a bag with gifts. It was a nice ceremony that made us feel proud of what we had accomplished during this week.

Evening party

After that, we moved to a hall of the fire station where there was a large and



delicious dinner. Right after dinner, there was a fun party together with music, refreshments, and free entertainment. It was really enjoyable! We talked with other students, and we especially became friends with the Italian students. The atmosphere was great, and everyone was dancing and having fun together. It was a perfect way to end our Erasmus programme.

We arrived back at the hotel in Zagreb tired very late at night. Overall, Thursday was an amazing and memorable day. Even though the morning lecture about batteries wasn't very exciting, the rest of the day was full of interesting experiences. I think this experience helped me to understand more about recycling and see how students in other countries learn practical skills. The solar car made by students really inspired me, and the final party was a great way to celebrate the end of our Erasmus week together.



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