My ERASMUS+ EXPERIENCE Marco Valle 4A

Erasmus+ is an amazing project that our Lyceum proposes to his students to verify their English skills and to visit other countries. It offers the opportunity to spend one week abroad and there are 5 different available countries: Portugal, Lithuania, Czech Republic, Greece and Turkey.

I'm Marco Valle, a student from 4A, and I was selected for the trip to Greece, which took place from 5th to 10th of December.

To be honest at first I had some doubts, especially because the experience involves living with a host family and I was afraid of being sent in a strange one or having many difficulties. Fortunately then I decided to take part in this project, which turned out to be a wonderful experience.

After some online meetings with the teachers and the other students, we finally met at the airport on 5th of December. I was super excited to live this adventure, because I wanted to meet personally people that I had already known virtually.

We met on Sunday at the airport at around 5.40, we had breakfast and then we took the flight.

We landed in Athens and then we went to the school in Greece where we met new people. I spent the first day with my host family and I went to bed early because I needed to rest. In the following days we had Greek lessons in the morning and other activities in the afternoon. On Monday we visited the center of Nea Philadelphia, the small town where we stayed and the next day we travelled by bus to the center of Athens, where we visited the museum of Acropolis. On Wednesday we had a daylong trip to Delphi and we visited the archaeological museum and site. On Thursday we visited the museum of ancient technologies and on Friday we said goodbye to everyone and we finally reached the Acropolis. Then we walked in the streets of Athens and we took a taxi to go to the airport. We arrived in Milan at 21.00 and there we met our families.

Visiting the Acropolis was the most exciting part of the experience because I was surprised by the dimensions of the temples. Seeing something one has studied in school has no value, it's a very satisfying experience. I also enjoyed the museum of ancient technologies a lot because we have discovered clever ways used by the ancient Greeks to solve some problems without our recent technology. They used simple concepts of physics to communicate in battle and to create objects of everyday life.

It was such a sensational experience, I suggest everyone to take part in it. Despite the difficult situation in Europe because of Coronavirus, I took this opportunity and, thanks to the people and to the teachers, I lived an amazing experience that I'll never forget.