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Our Class Trip to England – The Ride

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After several hours on the bus (nearly) everyone in my grade was just tired! We woke up, saw a beautiful sunrise and had a nice view of the countryside and ofc, the unmissable gas station ;)

We had another stop to buy food and water... at 8 o'clock. A friend of mine and I decided to buy nothing, because we had enough food and so we just walked around... Suddenly we noticed a guy in the parking lot, who sat on the ground, crying, while having a phone call!! For some reason we were the only ones, who had noticed him?! We asked if he was ok, he said "no" and was trying to explain himself. At first, we didn't really get it, because his English wasn't thaaaat great, but we got to figure out that he had medical problems. We immediately ran to our teachers and got help. He then was taken away to the hospital – The only thing was not to know: Like... what happened to him? Is he ok???? That's like watching a movie and at the most exciting part they're just saying: "to be continued" I mean really?! Our teacher reached out to us later that day and told us, that his pacemaker had failed. So that was the thing he was trying to tell us...

After some more hours in the bus, we reached the ferry at noon. At 3o'clock we then arrived in Ramsgate. Aaand we learned that the navigating skills of our teachers weren't that good either.

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Unfortunately, we only found out, when we were already stuck with the bus in a small curve down to the coast on our way to find the meeting point. But luckily however, we got out a few minutes (actually not just a few) later with our outstanding (and when I say OUTstanding, I mean that...) bus driver called "Petra" and our teacher Mr. Pechstein.

After that adventure, we were told, that we are allowed to explore the city by ourselves. Eleonore got Fish'n chips and we decided to go to the breathtaking beach of Ramsgate. We actually met a few people from our grade too. There were a lot of gulls there, we would become best friends with ;) NO, of course NOT (that would be way too undramatic for that day!). Well Eleonore decided to do the unique mistake to drop her chips, after a few gulls had come!!!! (We maybe ate 2 chips before that assault) In 15 seconds approx. 50 gulls were eating from our chips 😞 and after 10 minutes they were simply – gone! But I can say, that the tiny bit I ate was delicious.

To calm us down a bit, we then went to get ice cream at a shop called "sorbetto", that I can really recommend. After that, we met our host family (which was a bit bigger than expected) and had a funny and incredible evening.

Our Class Trip to England – The Second Day

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The next day, we had some time pressure to get to the bus in time – we didn't know, that wouldn't be the last time...

After a 2-hour drive, we arrived at our first stop, Leeds Castle. It had a great outdoor area and it wasn't as big as imagined, but still beautiful!! After my best friend and I walked around a bit, we went into the labyrinth, which wasn't that easy... but with the help of others we still got out (that was fun!) Then we walked into the castle with Mr. Müller.

PS: on the way we saw some baby ducks :))) – but back to the topic –

It had an elegant courtyard garden and some rooms had an outstanding ceiling architecture too.

We then drove to Canterbury and saw just what we expected: an RB-Leipzig fan-club bus 😊 After I had bought the worst Starbucks drink of my life (I don't recommend the Starbucks in Canterbury), we went into a shopping center to buy short bread etc. We noticed, that people in Great Britain think, they're in war the whole time... I'm joking... no, but why would they need 10kg rice packs??? Like who's eating THAT much of everything!! Can someone please explain?

At 3:30 p.m. our boat tour, with the so called "Black Pearl" – began. Our nice captain told us a lot of historical facts like:

1. The water used to be very contaminated in medieval times.
2. Criminals were dumped in the water in a certain chair, so they would smell so bad that they would be recognized everywhere.
3. Husbands were allowed to do the same thing with their wives, if they wouldn't obey or were too cheeky – sometimes they would then poison their husbands as revenge. (The crime rate of women killing their men was incredibly high at that time) But enough facts now!

We walked around a bit after that and went into a cool shop, with many printed t-shirts and discs, bags... sry to disappoint you, but I eventually forgot the name of the shop 😞 But because we're still bookworms, we walked into our land of dreams: the waterstones shop!! And got A FEW books ;)

After we got back to our host family, we first wanted to sleep and give ourselves some rest... but their dog had other plans. So, we eventually played/had to play with him for a while longer (for understanding: it was an hyperreactive and a bit aggressive Chichi Wawa) and that was it! Our second day in England!!

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