

DIARY-TURKEY

Monday, 9.11.2021

Today we had unique breakfast because they gave us french fries. What kind of breakfast was that? Then we visited Trirkan Dereli primary school in Izmit. At first we were greeted nicely, but when we went to the gym I didn't really like it. It was annoying, because I was wearing jeans and had a long sweater on. Later when we were presenting our games I was a bit nervous, but it went well. It was quite interesting to hear games from other countries although they were pretty much the same. I wasn't really satisfied, because I thought it would be more interesting. It was more fun when we met some students from high school. First older girls and then some girls that were the same age. Then we went to explore the town a bit with spanish group. They were so slow, because we had to stop at almost every shop. After we went to dinner with all other countries. There were a lot younger students from Greece, Spain and Romania. It wasn't that

bed. When we finished eating the teachers were dancing, after some time some students went too. At around half past seven we went back to the hotel. I was quite exhausted so I got ready for bed.

Tuesday, 10.11.2021

Today, we went to school again and there we first played some table tennis. After that we went to the gym. It wasn't really different from yesterday. Before lunch we met some new students. After lunch we went to Ormanya Izmit City Park. It was fun. We saw some pretty hobbit houses and library in the forest. We took some fotos too. Then at around half past seven we went to the shopping center. We ate dinner there too. Afterwards we went back to the hotel.

Wednesday, 11.11.2021

It was the last day at the school. We spent the day there and in the evening they made us traditional Turkish dinner. Most of the food was spicy, but it was alright. Later the principal gave all of us a gift. There was a lot of dancing, mostly the teachers. It was a bit late when we left. We already had our suitcases packed, so we left quickly. Our new destination was Istanbul. On our way there an accident happened. While we were driving some truck hit the window on a bus right next to me and Hana. We freaked out, because it cracked and we thought that it was going to break down. Luckily there was plastic for protection, but it was still scary. After some time we've arrived and walked to the new hotel. It was late when we got there so we went to sleep shortly after.

Thursday, 12.11.2021

That was the most interesting day for me. We visited a lot of interesting buildings and places. I was looking forward to learning about the culture there. There were some beautiful mosques, like Hagia Sofia, which I remember the most.

We also visited Grand Bazaar, which is one of the biggest well known markets.

We spent some time there and bought things we needed or some souvenirs.

Our tour guide was really nice and she taught us all needed things about Istanbul. I find Istanbul really exiting and we learned that english isn't really spoken great there. Later that evening we went on a boat and we were supposed to eat dinner there, but that wasn't the case.

There were some dancers and music and some experiences happened that weren't great and made us uncomfortable, but

at least the view from there was special.
We were tired that day so as soon
as we arrived at the hotel we went
to bed.

Friday, 13.11.2021

Friday was our last day in Turkey so we
made sure not to leave out any important
sights. We went to a market that is known
for all different kinds of spices, so we all
bought some specialties and soon after
we had to say goodbye to all other students
from erasmus. We even exchanged our socials
with some of them. It went all by so
shortly, but it was a great experience
and I'm sure I'll remember it.

Then we flew back to Ljubljana and
went home. I enjoyed the time there
and I hope for more exchanges later
on.

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