

Besuch in Didcot



Besuch an der DGS (Didcot Girls' School) vom 7. bis 12.11.2017

Because of the good friendship between Didcot and Planegg it was possible for us to organize a school exchange again.

Last year students from Didcot Girls' School came to visit us. We had such a great time together and we were so glad to be able to go to Britain and stay in their families. We were the first students from FLG to stay in British families in Didcot.

Starting our trip on Tuesday, Nov.7th, we were all very excited to meet our exchange partners again. The journey by plane and coach didn't cause any problems at all, so we arrived in Didcot in the early afternoon to have free afternoon and evening activities with our partners. Whatever we did at your host families' house, we had a lot to talk about the next morning.

The next day we had the chance to visit DGS with our penpals. It was very interesting, because the British school system is completely different to ours. (The day at school sometimes reminded us of Harry Potter.) After the lessons a few students from DGS had prepared a dance show for us. We were really impressed by the high level of dancing.

On Thursday we went to Oxford together with our exchange partners. There we visited the Story Museum, which was very creatively designed, and got to see Christchurch College. We were very glad to see the Dining Hall there, where the students of the college meet to have lunch and dinner together. The next day we were happy to go to London. After a short trip by train we arrived in London Paddington Station.

Even though we only had one day in London, we managed to see Big Ben, the London Eye, Tower Bridge and Covent Garden, where we had some free time to go shopping.

On Saturday we spent time with our host families and got to see an Oxford College from the inside or got to know a bit more about Didcot.

Then it was already time to say goodbye to our penpals and host families on Sunday.

All of us want to thank Mrs Buinger, Mrs Munz and Ms Warnock from DGS with her colleagues. We really enjoyed our time in England!

Lena Ehrentreich with her team (Kl.10c)

Exchanging ideas and fun with fellow students

DIDCOT Girls' School welcomed 27 exchange students from its twinned town in Germany.

The young people were over from Feodor Lynen Gymnasium in Planegg, a Bavarian town of around 11,000.

Pupils enjoyed a six-day stay, having arrived on November 7 and

leaving the following Sunday.

A packed itinerary included a welcome reception, a day in school visiting lessons and a celebration lunch.

The eager group also enjoyed the Story Museum and Christchurch College in Oxford, a day in London and a day with the

families doing their own activities.

Commenting on its website, DGS said the exchange "was a week to remember" for its Year 9, 10 and 11 students. The school added: "They sadly parted on Sunday [November 12] and it was clear from the tears in their eyes that firm friendships had been made."

Schülerkommentare zum Christ Church College (Kl.10a/10b)

Wir haben uns den Speisesaal angeschaut, in dem die Studenten noch heute essen. Der Saal ist bekannt, da dort verschiedene Aufnahmen für die Harry-Potter-Filme gedreht wurden.

In der Kirche von Christ Church College befindet sich der Schrein mit den Gebeinen von St. Frideswide (Anm: Stadtheilige von Oxford, 650 – 735 n. Chr.). Ihre Geschichte ist auf den Glasfenstern der Kirche gemalt. Die Fenster wurden in den Jahren um 1860 gemalt. Der Maler hat sich in einem der Bilder (Sterbeszene) einen Spaß erlaubt und eine Toilette mit Spülung mit in das Bild gezeichnet, da diese erst wenige Jahre zuvor erfunden worden war.



Our Exchange Visit to Didcot 2017

From November 7th to November 12th, 27 German students from Planegg, which is close to Munich, had the chance to do a student exchange with girls from Didcot Girls' School (DGS). Their families hosted us for the duration of our stay and everybody felt really welcome.

After the visit of the DGS students in September 2016, the long awaited reunion was very emotional, because everybody was excited to see each other again. On the second day of our exchange, the English girls let us shadow them during their normal school day. It was interesting for us to be part of a British school for a day. The next day we went to Oxford with our partners to see the Story Museum and Christ Church College after a brief walking tour. Most of the other afternoons we spent with our host families, getting to know their culture better and seeing many different parts of Didcot. Friday was probably everyone's favourite day, because we went to London to see Big Ben, London Eye, Buckingham Palace, Covent Garden and Tower Bridge. On Saturday, we were able to spend a whole day with our partners and their families. Some of us went to see the Roman Baths and others visited beautiful castles near Didcot.

In conclusion you can say that this exchange was a huge success. The host families made us feel very comfortable with their British friendliness and warmth. Getting to know the British culture was a big honour and pleasure for all of us. Great experiences were made and valuable friendships were deepened.

Planegg is proud of ist friendship with ist twin city Didcot and we are looking forward to many more years of intercultural exchange.

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Schülerkommentare zum Oxford Story Museum (Kl. 9b/c/d)

Als wir später durch die verschiedenen Zimmer gelaufen sind, konnte man sehen, wie viel Mühe sich die Mitarbeiter beim Gestalten der Räume gemacht haben.

Ich finde, das Story Museum ist eine schöne Möglichkeit um Menschen Geschichten zu erzählen. Viele vergessen in der heutigen Zeit, wie spannend Bücher sind, man kann mit ihnen in ein anderes Leben eintauchen und komplett darin versinken. Daher finde ich es gut, dass die Leute im Story Museum die Bücher den Menschen wieder interessant machen und das auf eine lustige und spannende Art. Ich fand unseren Besuch dort sehr inspirierend.

Es war sehr interessant, da es kein normales Museum ist, wie man es sich vorstellt. Man kann sehr viele verschiedene Räume sehen und Aktivitäten machen, wie zum Beispiel sich verkleiden oder einen eigenen Kurzfilm drehen.

