

## ERASMUS+ PROJECT NEWSLETTER MAY – JUNE 2017

# "WE IN EUROPE – SHAPING THE FUTURE"

#### HUNGARY: International Day of the Roma in Hungary - 8<sup>th</sup> April



## SPAIN:The topic of refugees in the cultural week



GERMANY: Cooperation between Adolph-Kolping-School and Erasmus+ Pupils in Kerpen

The integration coordinator the Kolping City Kerpen at our school

Erasmus+ Pupils at the dedication of the Square of Integration in Kerpen- Sindorf

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Roma, their culture and diversity were the centre of activities in our partner school in Hungary,

#### Vay Ádám Gimnázium on the International Day of the Roma in Hungary on 8<sup>th</sup> April.

After greetings from Mayor Nagy Lajos, 100 balloons for tolerance rose into the air, forming the Roma flag. On this day, as on 16<sup>th</sup> November in Spain and Germany. A musical and culinary trip with the Roma accompanied the day at school.

Further highlights in the program were a walk for solidarity (photo left), an exhibition of famous Roma artists, the film club and a poetry slam with the question "what distinguishes me?"

In the focus of the programme was the goal to call attention to the social and economic advantages of cooperation as well as the advancement of communication, tolerance and education for solidarity and respect.

At the same time the IES Tamogante on Gran Canaria organised a cultural week. The pupils addressed the topic of migration on different levels in various workshops: a trip with refugees, women and immigration, roleplay with the title "Between the Borders" and tolerance for sexual identity in their classrooms.



Speech by the Red Cross for the prevention of violence.



Presentation of the project and the partial results in the framework of the regional meetings at the secondary school on Gran Canaria – 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

### **IMPRESSIONS OF HUNGARY**

## 100 színes léggömb, mint a tolerancia és az elfogadás jele

Balloons recreated the Roma flag. Each of the members had attached a message to the balloon and let it rise in to the sky, just as the pupils in Spain did. With this action, we wanted to make people aware of the importance of solidarity and tolerance



#### **COOPERATION BETWEEN ADOLPH-KOLPING-SCHULE AND ERASMUS+ PÜPILS IN KERPEN**



The project pupils with their teacher, Ms Akcicek (left) and the headmistress Ms Mohlberg-Meyer

Adolph-Kolping-Schule and Gymnasium Kerpen have been cooperating since 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016. The project "Sport integrates" and a reading hour have taken place between September 2016 and February 2017. Since February better coordination and communication are being established through the creation of a club "We in Europe – Shaping the future" on Thursday afternoons in both schools. The focus of these parallel clubs is: more understanding for the people living in Europe, the integration and language competence of the participants through joint activities. Thirteen pupils from classes 5 to 8 with 10 different nationalities take part in the club. The pupils are between 11 and 15 years old and the majority of the participants has been living in Germany for less than 2 years.

At this time the pupils are working on the topic of diversity under the direction of Ms Dietze-Neuber. Moreover, the pupils are preparing a flash mob to a Spanish song, which treats racism and xenophobia. This will be presented in the European Week. Other activities are planned – a cookbook and a photo project.



Ms Seiche, the integration coordinator of the **Kolping City Kerpen** was our guest. She gave insight into the topic of "integration". Ms Seiche gave the pupils an understanding of the concepts of "integration" and "migration" in her speech and explained the different dimensions of integration: the structural, cultural and identificatory integration. Then she discussed the topics of prejudice and individuality with the pupils. They found the information interesting and could understand the topic. Concepts, definitions and courses of action were presented to the students. It was especially thought-provoking that some of the fellow pupils had migration and integration backgrounds and therefore recognizable: **Integration happens among us!** 

The topic of integration was also the emphasis **at the dedication of the Square of Integration in Kerpen-Sindorf in April** which about 500 visitors attended. A poll was taken at this celebration in which visitors were asked "What is integration" and requested to give examples of successful integration.





Erasmus pupils with the integration coordinator Ms Seiche (left) and pupils interviewing Mr Spürck, *Mayor of the Kolping City* (above).

## Don't miss- Don't miss

Our school dances for tolerance in Europe Week (16<sup>th</sup> May) **Take part in it!!** 

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