

Agathe, Lucie, Malo and H  l  ne

Individual exchange - week 43

In an individual exchange context, we're 4 French students (Agathe, Lucie, Malo and H  l  ne), who chose to receive Danish students in our city : Nantes and then to go in Denmark. They came first in France (from the 8th to the 15th of October).

A week later, here we were, on our flight to Copenhagen (from the 22nd to the 28th of October).

Arriving in Copenhagen, how we've been welcomed during all the week

We think that we've met wonderful people. Our partners were just so nice with all of us. Not only have we been well welcomed by our partners, our hosts, but also by our partner's friends, the other students, the teachers and a lot of people in O.G like Christina. We're thankful for all of it. We shared a lot of good times together, as much during classes than in the city of Copenhagen and at each other's place. Also, we had great moments which were as good when we were only with our partner and their family than when we were the 8 of us , or with our partner's friends (*Good luck to 2y, to win the football competition : we count on you!*).

As we were speaking English all the time with all of you, we have improved our English practicing. That's why the exchange is really interesting when you want to speak an other language, to discover a new culture, new people or a new country. But you have to know, we've said in this part that Thor, Helene, Kasper and Caroline were our partners or our hosts, but this is not enough. Actually, for us, they're now friends. *And we hope we'll see you soon (and maybe your friends), and also during the Summer holidays, because we already miss you !*



What about High School in Denmark, and O.G ?

The gymnasium is way more different than our high school in France but in a good way. Staying in Ordrup Gymnasium showed us how you study. The schedules were from 8 a.m to 3 p.m or 4 p.m while in France you have classes from 8 p.m to 6 p.m for the longest days. This is due to the lunch break, which is longer in France (about 1h30, and sometimes 3h). Your educational system is also a lot unusual for us. You have, in our opinion, a better communication and relation between the teachers and the students.

While staying respectful to the teachers, the students are able to talk with them sometimes like friends which strengthen your relations and gives liberty for the students. We had a lot of pleasure in talking to danish people we didn't know and also in presenting our city and a music band during the French lessons. We hope we have been able to help the teachers and to make the students learn something.

(Pour les classes de Français/ To the French classes) :

C'était un plaisir pour nous 4 de venir dans vos classes, de vous faire la présentation du groupe de Nantes C2C, et de notre ville, ainsi que de parler avec vous sur les différences entre le Danemark et la France au lycée. Chacune de vos classes est très sympathique et agréable. Il faut avouer que c'est dur de parler lentement pour nous, nous avons fait de notre mieux pour que cela ne soit pas trop rapide, et nous espérons que c'était intéressant pour vous. Bonne continuation et bonne chance pour apprendre le Français tout au long de l'année (car on sait que c'est dur) !

As well, the fact you don't practice sport only because it is in an educational program but because you want to do something more interesting, is something that we enjoyed. Indeed, the teachers try to learn the students how to dance for their prom is something that we wouldn't have in France (also because we don't have prom or galla at all...).

What did we do? What did we love during our stay?

During our free time, we lived like real Danish students. We really enjoyed discovering this new way of life. Some of us went to Arken museum, while others were sweating at the gym, but all of us loved sharing the life of our partners, which is a bit different than our common life.

By the way, we really appreciated visiting Copenhagen, which is so marvelous, by day and also by night. Our evening in Tivoli was also magic. The atmosphere was super festive (maybe due to Halloween decorations) and we really enjoyed the rollercoasters and the amusements.

In our opinion, the best part of our journey were friendships we made. Not only with our partners, but also with the students we talked with. We are grateful to all of them because they're all the reason for which our trip was so interesting and unforgettable.



Thank you so much !

We spent a wonderful week in Denmark, thanks to our fantastic Danish hosts who really showed us how amazing Denmark truly is.

First, we would like to thank our incredible partners and their families who were great hosts. During this exchange, they became more than just partners to us, they changed to now being true friends, with whom we have shared many good times. We would also like to thank the entire Ordrup Gymnasium staff who welcomed us warmly and took us in. We would in particular like to thank Christina who really tried to listen to us and build our confidence in this new environment. Finally a big thank you to all the students we met during our stay at Ordrup with whom we talked and discovered a little bit more about the Danish life. Thank you for all of your kindness.

Jeg håber vi ses snart !

