Comenius Project

Visit to UK
October 2012

'Building their Tomorrows, Today!'

[Logos and badges]
Participating Groups:

Portugal (Escola Profissional Aviero)  Lead School
2 staff & 2 students

Turkey (Mustafa Eminoglu Anadolu Lisei) 2 staff & 2 students

Estonia (Sindi Gumnasasium) 3 staff & 3 students [students hosted]

Spain (IES Donoso Cortes) 2 staff & 2 students [students hosted]

Italy (Instituto 'Enrico Mattei') 3 staff & 3 students [students hosted]

UK (Bradfields School)  Host School

Arrival in Rochester:

Sunday 14th October
- Spain via Luton Airport arriving in Rochester at [17,30 approx]
- Estonia via Gatwick Airport arriving in Rochester at [17,30 approx]
- Turkey via Heathrow Airport arriving in Rochester at [tbc]
- Italy via Stansted Airport arriving in Rochester at [17,30 approx]

Monday 15th October
- Portugal via Gatwick Airport arriving in Rochester at [14,00 approx]

Please confirm your arrival time to Kim Johnson [johnk025@medway.org.uk] and/or 0044(0)79860838485 to ensure reception welcome is on time for you.
Welcome !

Welcome to Bradfields School.

Bradfields School is an innovative and forward-looking Medway LA school which provides education for students who primarily experience complex learning difficulties and disabilities which may include speech, language, emotional, sensory, physical or autistic spectrum secondary.

The school includes a split site 4-14 Lower School and 14-19 Upper School all age day special school on one campus. It delivers the full Early Learning Goals, National Curriculum and Externally Accredited Qualifications via subject specialist teachers, experienced in working with students with special educational needs. The curriculum is planned, delivered and assessed at a pace and level appropriate to individual need.

In March 2012 The Government Agency OFSTED inspected the school and stated:

This good school is determined to be outstanding. It is improving rapidly because of outstanding leadership. Students make outstanding progress in relation to their starting points and abilities as a result of good teaching, an outstanding curriculum and excellent pastoral care and support.

We are very proud of our school and are extremely pleased to have you with us this week.

Kim Johnson
Headteacher
Monday 15th October

Morning
9am  Welcome & Introductions at School
Students to join lessons in Years 10-14
Staff : Presentations -
UK SEN System & Bradfields School [KJ]
Curriculum [MSl]
Pastoral Provision [DMW]
Tour of School
12 noon Buffet Lunch

Afternoon
1pm  Visit to Rochester Castle
     Visit to Guildhall Museum

Evening
7.30pm  Evening Meal in Rochester Restaurant
         [Staff]
### Tuesday 16th October

**Morning**

- **9am** Official Welcome and Group Presentations
  - 30 mins per group
  - *You, your school, your country*

- **11am** Students to join lessons in Years 10-14
  - Staff : Presentations - ASD Provision [NZ]

- **12 noon** Buffet Lunch

**Afternoon**

- **1pm** Visit to Rochester Cathedral
  - Educational Activity ‘Monk’

**Evening**

- **7.30pm** Evening Meal in Local Village Pub
  - [Staff]
Wednesday 17th October

All Day

9am  Meet at Bradfields School

Transfer to Chatham Historic Dockyard

Chatham Dockyard Experience
- Wooden Walls
- Warships
- Lifeboats
- Submarine
- Rope Making Activity

Canteen Lunch

Transfer back to hotels etc..

Evening

7.30pm  Evening Meal in Chatham Marina Pub
         [Staff]

Students return to ‘Host Families’
Thursday 18th October

All Day

9am  Meet at Bradfields School
     Transfer to Chatham Railway Station
     Train/Bus to Bluewater Centre
     • 330 shops
     • 50 cafes & restaurants
     A ‘Shop ‘til you drop’ opportunity
     Leisure time

11am  Group Leader’s Meeting in John Lewis
     Lunch as required
     Transfer back to hotels, etc..

Evening

7:30pm   'Good-Bye' Evening Meal in Rochester Restaurant
          [Staff]
Friday 19\textsuperscript{th} October

Depart from Rochester:

Travel arrangements to be confirmed by Tuesday 16\textsuperscript{th} October

- Spain  
  Flight from Luton Airport at 13,00 on 19 Oct

- Estonia  
  Flight from Gatwick Airport at 13,10 on 19 Oct

- Portugal  
  Flight from Gatwick Airport at 16,40 on 19 Oct

- Italy  
  Flight from Stansted Airport [staying in UK until 20 Oct]

- Turkey  
  Flight from Heathrow Airport [staying in UK until 22 Oct]
Additional Information

I have tried very hard to keep the costs to a minimum during the time you are with us. Where this sign # is shown we will invoice you for that cost.

Activities:
1. Entrance to Castle & Guildhall Museum [Monday] Free
2. Entrance to Cathedral [Tuesday] Free
3. Cathedral Activity [Tuesday] £4,- per student #
4. Entrance to Historic Dockyard [Wednesday] £6,- per person #
5. Rope-Making Activity at Dockyard [Wednesday] £4,- per student #
6. Entrance to Bluewater [Thursday] Free

Meals:
1. Buffet School Lunches [Monday & Tuesday] £3 per person #
   per day#
2. Lunch at Dockyard [Wednesday] * own choice
3. Lunch at Bluewater [Thursday] ** own choice

Dockyard [*]: there is a Canteen and you can choose your own selection of hot/cold food and pay at the cash till for your own staff/students.
Bluewater [**]: there are a number of food outlets where you can choose your own selection of hot/cold food and pay at the cash till for your own staff/students.

4. Evening Meals will be taken in restaurants and pubs in the Rochester area on Monday to Thursday. The Cost for Staff will be a matter of choice and can be on average from £15 per person. Students not in host families can join these meals if required.

Transport:
1. Transport from School to Activities [Mon-Weds] Free
2. Transport to/from Railway Station [Thursday] Free
   [We will use 2 of our school minibuses and as such there will be no cost to you.]
3. Rail/Bus Fare [Thursday] £6 per person #
Local Custom..................................

Reminder:

Further to the information sent to each of you in August. Please note that all transport, venues and activities are non-smoking apart from the Historic Dockyard where there are designated areas. The rules and subsequent penalties for breaking the law regarding smoking can result in a £1000 fine. Please ensure staff and students comply at all times.

In addition:

Bradfields School have a policy of expecting students to hand their phones to their Tutors at the start of the school day and then receiving them back at the end of the day. We would be grateful if staff from our visiting partner schools ensured that their students did not take their phones into the lessons they will be attending on Monday and Tuesday mornings.

This may seem a little strange to you. However, our students recognise that their phones can be a distraction and thereby prevent teaching and learning from taking place.......... so they hand them in at morning registration as a natural event!

Thank-you for your co-operation.