

## Text 2

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Secondary school students went on a trip to Greece

“In the land of olives”

In February, students from Roman Czernecki Secondary School in Słupia participating in Comenius Program – Partnership Schools Project were hosted in Greece. This time they went on a trip at the invitation of the fifth Middle Trikalon School in Trikala. School teachers were represented by Katarzyna Stepien - project coordinator, Kamil Hukowski - English teacher and students: Catherine Prusek, Natalia Konarska, Sylvia Wylot, Thomas Woźniczka. During the meeting, representatives of six partner schools from Poland, Spain, Greece, Turkey, Italy and Romania presented the logo and Wordcrossing project anthem and a list of best books for young people. Students from Słupia prepared a multimedia presentation about the book “The Little Prince” by Antoine de Saint Exupery, book reviews and illustrations thanks to which an e-book was created.

Stay in Greece has provided teachers and students many experiences because this country has a long history and rich cultural heritage. For Katarzyna Prusek Wordcrossing project was the best adventure which has ever happened to her: “Thanks to this journey I got to know the Greek culture and the joyful and unforgettable people. With great pleasure I learned the traditional dance. My host family was great, I felt like I was still at home. During this visit I could see how well I know the English language and what else do I need to learn”.

For Natalia Konarska the most interesting experience was meeting new people: “Greeks are open, without prejudice. They love to have fun, to dance. They are full of serenity. An important part of this project is the developing and sharing english language among teenagers. . I saw many interesting places, but most drew me to one thing - Meteora. It is a massive rock on top of which is the Orthodox monasteries (monasteries)”.

Tomasz Wozniczka adds : “We made new friends and acquaintances. We learned a lot about the customs in European countries. We tried dishes of regional cuisine. We visited many interesting places - Meteora monasteries and rustic. We experienced Greek folk music (music, dancing, singing.) Working on the project was good fun for the students. Thanks to the project we all spent nice time in Greece. ”

“During the stay there I learned several Greek words including kalimera - good morning, kalinichta - goodnight. Moreover I learned and improved a lot my English language. It was really worth to visit the country for those beautiful places, views, and wonderful people ” -summarises Sylwia Wylot.

In April Secondary school students from Słupia are going to Baia Mare in Romania.