

HOSTING SPANISH STUDENTS IN VESZPRÉM

5 September - 10 September 2024

09.05. Thursday

On the first day we met the Spanish students in Budapest as they had arrived the night before. After the greetings, we took the metro to Heroes' Square. Our next destination was Váci utca where we just wandered around and grabbed lunch. Then we headed to the Parliament where we had a guided tour of the building. From the Parliament we continued through the Chain Bridge, and we climbed the stairs to the castle. We walked around Halászbástya, and visited Mátyás Templom. Then finally, we headed to the train station and we hopped on the train to Veszprém.

09.06. Friday

On Friday, we spent most of the day at the school. The Spanish students visited a Spanish class during the first lesson, and after that we introduced the school to them. In the third lesson we started working on our project. We formed groups and talked about the differences between Spain and Hungary. Then we went to have lunch in the school's canteen. Later, the guests visited another Spanish class. When school finished we went on a sightseeing tour in Veszprém.

09.07. Saturday

On Saturday the group met in front of the school at 9:45 and our trip started to Tapolca. At first we visited the Cave Lake where we could see the exhibition and we could row for some minutes. This ride was magical in the cave and we saw some cave animals such as fish. After that we went to the pond in the middle of the city and the students had a 2 hour long free time. During that period we discovered the city and ate lunch. Then we returned to the bus which took us to Balatonfüred. There we had free time again and the main part of the group went to a beach. We really enjoyed the time we spent together and the exchange students especially liked the gorgeous view of Balaton. After that we had to go back to the bus and everyone went home. It was a very tiring day but everyone made a lot of memories.

09.08. Sunday

This day was devoted to the families. The host students organised different programs to the guests together with their families.

The guest teachers were invited to Budapest to watch *The Great Gatsby* in Vígszínház. It was a memorable day spent in the capital.

09.09. Monday

On Monday we had to wake up early to go to school and continue working on our project. We worked in groups and got different topics to talk about (cooking, language, cultural inheritance). After we finished with it we had an evaluation class too. Our lunch took place in Hangvilla like on Friday. After that we could participate in a small party which was organised by the Spanish teachers for the Spanish exchange students. Us, Hungarians brought different foods for the Spanish to try. We had a really good time, but we were sad that soon we would have to say goodbye. The families spent the evening together with different programs each. We went to bed early because on Tuesday we had to wake up horribly early, so the Spanish could catch the flight.

We are very happy and honored to spend this week with our exchange students and make new friendships.