

Final goodbyes

Last week our project partners from Scotland came to visit us in Tartu, Estonia. Despite their stay in the second biggest town in the country was short – only four days – it was enough for us, Estonians, to show the country in such a small period of time. During that time, the five Scottish students and their Geology teacher visited Tartu, Tallinn, three museums, one science centre, a bog, made a



cake and even did some project work.



When our visitors arrived on Tuesday, they had a school tour and visited Estonian National Museum. The museum was opened less than a year ago and although Estonian history was not that interesting for the Scottish people, they were amazed by the building.

On Wednesday, almost 180 people from the 12th grade of Hugo Treffner Gymnasium went to visit a bog and a house museum of our alumni, Anton Hansen Tammsaare, who is one of the most famous authors in Estonia, and we took the Scots with us. There they had a interesting walk in Estonian nature (like we did in Scotland) and got to even try our national food called “mulgipuder“, which is in translation is a special kind of porridge.

At the same night we took them out to eat at an old factory complex, which during the last years has grown to be one of the most popular places in Tartu. The place consists of creative entrepreneurs, artist and designer studios, restaurants, cafeterias and it is the home for historic Printing Museum, which we visited on Thursday, where we made our own notebooks as a workshop. The Scots were quite astonished by the factory





and agreed that these kind of places are one of the best places to represent nowadays's entrepreneurship.

After a long day in the factory, our guests visited a AHHA science centre, which they really liked, and an escape room, which is made by our school students and located in the basement under our school. They did not get out of the

room, but they were impressed that we have such thing at a place, where we get our education.

On Friday, which was the last day of their visit, we did some project work and after that listened a presentation about student companies in Estonia, which was done by Sandra Vösaste, who is one of the people, who runs the best European student company of 2017, called Festera. After the official part we decided to make a cake together and visited our schools roof, which is



kind of a privilege, because everyone does not get to go on the roof. Upon that, we said our goodbyes and our guests went on to visit Tallinn, which is our capital.



Overall, it was a pleasure to host the Scots and see them again after a satisfying week in Scotland. Hopefully we will meet once more some day!