CHICHESTER COLLEGE | NEIL REDMAN

Partner schools
Lycee Professionnel, France

About the project
Neil Redman from Chichester College tells us about how eTwinning enhanced his students’ Leonardo project and gave them a great opportunity to team up with a school in France.

Before going on a trip a work experience trip to Normandy, France, I set up an eTwinning profile with a link to the work experience trip students from Chichester College have been on and I also set up a blog, showing what we were achieving through an EU Leonardo funded programme (now Erasmus+).

A school in Le Man showed an interest in what we were doing as their school had workshops in Construction trades. Hanane Dorizobn from Lycee Professionnel, Funay-Helene Boucher, Le Mans contacted me through eTwinning about the trip and expressed an interest in setting up project work in Normandy, France. We arranged to visit the school during our trip as it was only two hours from where we were staying.

When we arrived we were treated to a meal in the school canteen and then tea and coffee in the school restaurant which is used as training/learning for French students in catering and silver service. We were then given an extensive tour by some French students of the construction workshops and classrooms, meeting the teaching staff and students in their learning environment. They were able to use their English speaking skills in describing their school and what they do. To finish the visit before we left we were given the opportunity to play a football match against some students, we really enjoyed experiencing as the group
had not played against European opposition before.

Now we have met we hope to set up an exchange programme by applying for Erasmus+ funding to enable students to work together on the eco-Chateau project and introduce new projects within the EU to increase mobility and language skills. With the assistance of eTwinning we are also going to set up preparation work with students discussing and planning prior to the trip to improve their learning of new languages and sharing vocational training skills.

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