Our trip to Broadstairs: a general overview (I)

In February, my class, 4a, travelled to Broadstairs for seven days, leaving and returning on a Sunday. The little seaside town lies in the county of Kent, about 80 miles from London, which was one of our day-trip destinations during our stay.

In the mornings, after getting up at 7am, we would have three hours of English class at KSE (*Kent School of English*) starting at 9am. After two hours of free time - which we spent wandering about town and having some lunch in a restaurant or getting a takeaway, we went straight to the day's afternoon-activity locations.

These were quite fun most of the time, as long as it didn't rain (which it did now and then). After returning home to our guest families and having dinner with them, at around 8pm we would make our way to the evening activities. These were the most fun, as they were all indoors. My favourites included the school disco, the barn dance and the drama workshop.

Overall, the week was lots of fun and I would definitely do it again!

Dominik 4a

4a's trip to Broadstairs: a general overview (II)

We, the 4a, went on a project week to Broadstairs. Broadstairs is a snug village on the east coast of Britain in the county of Kent. Not far from Broadstairs are the well-known cities Canterbury (45min) and London (2h).

We arrived at Broadstairs on Sunday, the 18th of February and were met by our host families. In each family a maximum of three students from our class stayed. I stayed with my friends Karl and Adam at the house of our hostess Mrs. Ward. I think we got really, really lucky with our host family because Mrs. Ward was very nice and she had a dog. That evening we went for a walk at the seafront with our hostess, her dog named Marlee – and a German student who was staying with us too. The seaside of Broadstairs is amazing! There are cliffs and a lovely beach with great waves.

The next day, we did a placement test at our language school KSE (*Kent School of English*) and had some three hours of teaching. Then we went to grab some food before our first afternoon activities. Every afternoon these activities varied from different sports to other activities like costal walks, visits of nearby towns and so on ... After the p.m. activities we went back to our host families to have dinner before our evening activities. In the evening we had activities like going to the cinema, barn dancing, drama etc. We returned at about 10:00 pm every evening.

On two days we visited the cities Canterbury and London. There we had guided tours by people from KSE and we learned a lot about the respective cities in a fun way. In London we got to ride on a boat on the Thames which was really fun! We also had some free time, thus we had a chance to do some shopping and buy presents for our friends and family. On Sunday, the 25th of February we took a plane back to Vienna. Everybody had a great time and wished that they could have stayed longer.

Special moments at Broadstairs ...

Chiara 4a

Getting to know Broadstairs

A special moment for me was the arrival. Our host mother was very nice. First she showed us our room where why could stay for the week. Then she told us that there would be pizza or dinner. They also had two dogs, a pedigree dog and a mongrel. I love dogs!

Then she told she could take us for a walk through Broadstairs. We really couldn't say no because we were very impressed by Broadstairs and we wanted to know where our school was. She showed us the coast, the school, the best milkshake-shop and a really good shop which sold fish and chips. At the shop where you could buy milkshakes she paid for two milkshakes which she gave to us. When we were home again we realised that we had our own bathroom.

Fanny 4a

Coastal walk

4a went to Broadstairs. We went on many cool outings, but I especially enjoyed the costal walk. We met in Broadstairs near the coast and nobody wanted to go, because it was very windy and cold, but when we got down to the beach the wind was not too strong any more. The cliffs blocked the storm. A guide taught us more about the stones, which were lying around everywhere on the beach. I found a beautiful shell, which I took home with me. We walked about three kilometres to Ramsgate. When we arrived there we had an hour of free time. We went to a café and had some hot chocolate. Then we headed back to Broadstairs.

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Fiona 4a

Drama workshop

Our journey began on the 18th of February 2018 and ended on the 25th! We had some really cool activities and I enjoyed them.

But one of my favourites was the drama workshop. We had to go to a room and there was a man who explained us something about it. He told us that you sometimes have to improvise in a musical or theatre play. After his explanations we had to split up in small groups and create our own stories. It was a really great evening, because we had to work together and could do whatever we wanted to. After an hour we had to present our ideas as short plays and we all laughed about them. So I think this was one of the best evenings and we all enjoyed it!

Lucas 4a

Our trip to London

In February my classmates and I visited Broadstairs. I had a lot of fun during the week and I enjoyed our stay. There were a lot of nice moments during the week but there was one that was really cool. I think the coolest moment took place on Saturday the 24th. It was the day when we went on a trip to London. We visited Greenwich and then we took a boat on the River Thames. We saw Tower Bridge, Big Ben and other interesting buildings and attractions. The tour guide also showed us Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square and Covent Garden.

It was nice to visit London again!

Niko 4a

Broadstairs to Ramsgate

On Thursday we went for a coastal walk from Broadstairs to Ramsgate. The distance from Broadstairs to Ramsgate is only 3 km. We had nice weather, it was a little bit windy and cold, but we had sunshine.

Most of the time we walked on the beach or on top of the cliffs. On the way to Ramsgate we took a lot of nice photos with the sea in the background. When we were in Ramsgate we had some free time to go around. The city itself is not that nice, but there are plenty of shops. Unfortunately we had headwind on our way back to Broadstairs. So it was very cold and we couldn't wait to come home. I would definitely recommend the coastal walk but only if you have nice weather. The sea, the beach, and the cliffs are beautiful. You ain't got that in Austria.

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Valerie 4a

Being the entertainer ...

A special evening for me was the evening when the drama workshop took place. We had to split up into groups of four and five students and had to work out a play with costumes, props and self-invented stories. We only got one hour to manage the whole play. We had to do it in English, so it was an even bigger challenge. At the end every play was great and fun to watch. It was also great to be the entertainer and act out your own play. I liked the activity a lot and I think that I probably represent the view of my whole class. It was an awesome evening!

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