



NEWSLETTER

November 2016

Think, Act, Go... Green **The project**

WHEN?

October 2016 – May 2018

WHAT?

The goal of this project is to work with young Europeans of the same age (17 to 18), but with different cultures and traditions, on a common theme: The impact of the climate changes. This will allow our students to be better informed and aware of the problem. Afterwards, it will be their turn to inform others creating therefore a synergy. It is our role to encourage young people to play an active part in the environment protection by adopting practices which can really help to promote the sustainable development of their surroundings.

HOW?

Here are some examples of the type of activities the partners have decided to do: creating a Facebook page, which students will be part; publishing news / articles about the project on each school's website / Facebook page (project dissemination); writing a newsletter after each meeting; making videos presenting the students who are part in the project (which will be published on Facebook); creating a logo presenting each country's traditions; discussing the theme by doing innovative activities; using e-twinning platform; among other ideas.

THE PARTNER ORGANISATION

Colégio de Amorim is a Portuguese elementary/secondary private school in Póvoa de Varzim, a coastal city in the Oporto district, with about 300 students and a staff of 30 teachers.

We are happy to be an inclusive school embracing and welcoming our students' differences and educational needs. Our school community has a strong sense of belonging and our students share both life and educational experiences involving as a united group both as learners and citizens. Special needs students are seen as one of the many branches of our

WHO? (partners)

Portugal (Póvoa de Varzim)
<https://www.facebook.com/ColegioAmorimPV/?fref=ts>

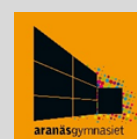


Colégio de Amorim
póvoa de varzim
O futuro fazemos agora.

Belgium (Gembloux)
<http://www.ith-gembloux.be/>



Sweden (Kungsbacka)
<http://www.aranasgymnasiet.kungsbacka.se/Vara-utbildningar/>



Turkey (Bayrampaşa/Istanbul)
<http://rifatcanayakinahl.meb.k12.tr/tema/>



family tree, being involved in all of our activities. We are glad to welcome differences since we acknowledge them as a valuable source of learning.

We are also proud of having committed students and teachers to the environment. As most of them live in coastal cities (Póvoa de Varzim, Vila do Conde, Esposende ...) the impact of climate changes on nature couldn't be a more close to their heart subject. Besides, we've always promoted activities related to the environment so that we can actively contribute to the awareness of our community as far as our planet's health is concerned. Therefore, the agreement reached at the Paris climate conference was happily debated. Since we have a multicultural community (we not only teach Portuguese students as well as Chinese, Swiss, Colombian, Venezuelan, Romanian and Ukrainian) by debating the COP21 we managed to discuss student's native countries participation and commitment to the environment issue.

Portugal (Póvoa de Varzim) – The mornings



Porto (Portugal) was the starting point of a promising partnership. From 17 to 20 October all partners met and worked on the guidelines for the next two years.

The first teachers-only meeting was important because it allowed us to shape the future meetings and also decide about the practical aspects of the project as well as the goals and various stages we will go through. We have assigned responsibilities to each partner school fairly and evenly so that all schools understand what they need to do and why. The coordinator's written work proposals was presented and discussed. We also discussed the evaluation processes for the project.

Portugal (Póvoa de Varzim) – The afternoons

After what we all considered very efficient meetings, the group got the chance to meet the surroundings: Vila do Conde, Póvoa de Varzim, Esposende (seaside-erosion) and Porto. Here are some pictures of what we did. Some of these places will be visited by both students and teachers during the Portugal mobility in October 2017.



Next meeting:

WHERE?

Belgium

WHEN?

20-25 february 2017

MAIN THEME?

Food and farming

WHO?

Six students

Two teachers

BOAS FESTAS



Colégio de
Amorim
póvoa de varzim

Our best wishes to all of
you across Europe!

**Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year!**