

## Monday

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Monday was our first real day in Czech Republic, so it was a really exciting day. When we arrived at school we finally got to meet everybody which was really nice, since the last time we all had seen each other was half a year ago in Germany! So as you can imagine, the arrival at school was pretty great, because after such a long time of course we had a lot to talk about with the other exchange students from Czech Republic and France!

After all the greetings we were shown around school which was also very interesting, because in some ways it was very different compared to our school.

After that, we got to meet the teachers and the headmaster who even had prepared a short speech for us. Then, all students were split into small groups. Some of us were allowed to visit the German class, which was really fun! Other students who did not participate in our project welcomed us with self-made sweets and we got the chance to talk with them in German. To us, it was very interesting to get a picture of what they were learning.



Others visited an English lesson which was also very interesting. The English teacher was pretty funny, while at the beginning the students were a little bit shy and did not really want to ask us any questions. But after some time we were able to break the ice by asking them questions about their country or their lifestyle, and soon they did the same.



After a short break, all Erasmus students met in another classroom, where everybody held their presentations about sustainable development, which was followed by several discussions about the different performances.

At lunch time we went to the cafeteria, which was a 10-minute walk away from school and had our lunch there. To be honest, most of us did not really like the food there, but we ate it anyway.

After lunch we were shown around the town of Most by a tour guide who told us a lot about the history. Some of us were really impressed by him, because he actually managed to do that in French and in German!



After that we had free time. Some of the students stayed together with their hosts in town and went shopping while others went home to spend time with their host families or did other activities. The French and German students were very keen on going to pubs, because in Czech Republic the beer is a lot cheaper than in France or Germany. Since Monday was our first day, it went over pretty fast, though at the end of the day everybody was very tired and exhausted.