

KA2 - Cooperation for Innovation and the Exchange of Good Practices

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LET'S PLAY OUTDOOR GAMES!

Project Identification

Project Title: Let's Play Outdoor Games!

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Project Total Duration: 24 Months

Coordinator

TURKEY- Ufuktepe İlkokulu

Participating Organisations

PORTUGAL- EDIFACOOP - Cooperativa de Educação do Indivíduo, Formação e Apoio, CRL

ITALY- Istituto Comprensivo 13

UNITED KINGDOM- Merchants' Academy

FINLAND- Saviniemen koulu

GREECE- 7th Primary School of Rethymno

POLAND- Zespól Szkolno-Gimnazjalny w Zakrecie

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

We are 7 primary schools from partner countries, Turkey (coordinator), Finland, Greece, Italy, Portugal, Poland and United Kingdom. We are very willing to learn and exchange good practices of taking learning outdoors, outdoor games and sport/physical activities in a multicultural project. We all want to develop each other for the sake of educating our students well. By exchanging our experiences and good practises, we can learn from each other transnationally. We aim at our students have beneficial habits throughout their entire upbringing and in their lifetime.

The objectives of our project are;

* To learn and teach outdoor games belonging to different cultures from each other,

*To learn "how we can take learning outdoor" from each other, enrich its implementation, examples of activities and prepare lesson plans,

- * To enrich the outdoor pedagogical infrastructure of our teachers by exchanging information with our partners and by observing the schools,
- * To make learning more permanent, creative and fun,
- * To enrich and diversify our educational environments,
- *To increase the sports/physical activities and make them more active,
- * To increase the love of nature and environmental awareness of our students,
- *To raise awareness of students about healthy living and healthy nutrition.

All the project partners are interested in taking learning outdoors, outdoor games, make their students more active and healthy. More over, we want our students love and take care of nature by spending their time in the outdoor environments. We want to enrich our educational environments and learn from each other. We are doing some outdoor activities in our schools and make students play outdoor games.

With the help of our project, we will learn different and cultural outdoor games and enrich our educational life of the students crossculturally. We will have an exchange of ideas about taking learning outdoors, the sample activities and lesson plans for teaching maths, science, social sciences, language, arts, physical education, etc. outside the classroom. We will also create a school atmosphere with the students playing and learning at the same time. We will increase the awareness of healthy students, healthy children, healthy life styles and healthy nutritioun. We aim at creating a holistic approach of teachers and students through outdoor pedagogy. Students will both learn and play at school. They will acquire the knowledge about environmental consciousness and healthy living (nutrition and physical activity). The students will spend more time outside the classroom and again they will learn through experience.

We will prepare a "Handbook for Outdoor Games and Taking Learning Outdoors" and publish it in English and every partner's language. Also, we will distribute its e-book format in our project's blog page and in our eTwinning project. The teachers will learn new outdoor games and activities to take learning outdoors from there. We will show some photos and videos in the blog page and social media through facebook, twitter,etc. Every partner will organize a seminar in their countries to the school principals about the project, its targets, results and the outputs will be run. Then, the school principals will present them to the primary school teachers. They will motivate their teachers to use these methods at schools.

As a conclusion, Our students will both learn and have fun at school with outdoor games, and love spending their time at schools more. As we will enrich and diversify our educational environments, our students will also learn peripherally and experience different subjects in different and enriched outdoor places/gardens as classrooms. Students will be more active, do

much more sport/physical activities and be healthier. We aim at our students have beneficial habits throughout their entire upbringing and in their lifetime.

We will do 4 Transnational Project Meetings, 3 Learning/Teaching/Training events. Every partner will prepare their outdoor games samples, activities to take learning outdoors, sport/physical activities, activities and suggestions to develop students awareness and consciousness of environment and healthy living. In our transnational meetings, we will evaluate, organize and choose these preparations. Then, in Learning/Teaching/Training events we will exchange, learn and teach these exercises, technics and implementations practically and with our students.

TRANSNATIONAL PROJECT MEETINGS

During our project (24 months), we'll do four Transnational Meetings. After the project is approved and got the grant, we'll do our 1st Transnational Meeting (Kickoff) in Turkey in November, 2017. 2nd Transnational Meeting will be done in April, 2018 in Greece. 3rd Transnational meeting will be held in Finland in November, 2018 as a mid-term evaluation of our project. 4th Transnational Meeting (closure meeting) will be done in June, 2019 in Italy.

The participants for the Transnational project meetings will be the persons in the Project Management Teams of every partner as they are responsible of the management and cooperation issues of the project. From every partner institution, one person and the coordinator institution two persons will participate in the meetings. The persons in the Project Management Teams have a good English level to communicate, so there won't be difficulty in communication.

The goal of the project meetings are;

- *to start our project and inform the partners in detail about the project, exchange the ideas,
- *to arrange the management issues of the project,
- *to discuss and organize the Learning/Teaching/Training events,
- *to evaluate the pre-tests and last-test we will implement to the students and teachers,
- *to review the project holistically,
- *to evaluate the Learning/Teaching/Training events and enrich the contents,
- *to examine into our project by doing the analysis of the objectives.

LEARNING/TEACHING/TRAINING ACTIVITIES

LTT-1 (Short-term joint staff training events) will be done in United Kingdom.

LTT-2 (Short-term exchanges of groups of pupils) will be done in Poland.

LTT-3 (Short-term exchanges of groups of pupils) will be done in Portugal.