

Across Cultures

eTwinning

European Day of Languages





E- Twinning

eTwinning offers a platform for staff (teachers, head teachers, librarians, etc.), working in a school in one

of the European countries involved, to communicate, collaborate, develop projects, share and, in short, feel and be part of the most exciting learning community in Europe.

The primary workspace for the eTwinning action, is the eTwinning Portal (www.etwinning.net) and it is available in twenty-five languages. Teachers registered in the eTwinning action, also called *eTwinners*, find each other, communicate, share resources and collaborate through the eTwinning platform.

This growing and active community enforced the change in the motto of eTwinning from "School partnerships in Europe" to "The community for schools in Europe".

The project was born in 2005 under the European Union's e-Learning programme and it has been integrated in the



Lifelong Learning Programme since 2007.
eTwinning is part of Comenius, the EU programme for schools.

Our school participated in this project this year. Our school in this school year participated in this project. We made short movies presenting our interests and hobbies. We also got some postcards from abroad in Europe and that was so great and we had a fantastic fun and time. Thanks to this event we could practise our English skills, we met new people, knew more about other countries. For us it was a great opportunity to check our skills. We really loved that.



European Day of Languages

This day is celebrated on 26th of September.



Basic goals of European Day of Languages:

- Showing how important is learning other languages
- Promoting diversity of cultures and languages in Europe
- Promoting learning languages in all ages

The main goal is **developing language skills which is both a necessity and law of each of us.**



Thanks to the day of languages there are organised various events in whole Europe; Start with the events for children through special radio programmes, language courses and conferences.

Message from Council of Europe Secretary General Thorbjørn Jagland

"The European Day of Languages is celebrated every year on 26 September. It's a day to encourage language learning for young and old. This year's European Language Day is also an opportunity to highlight the huge value of Europe's cultural diversity. Europe's nations are always at their strongest and most prosperous when we are open and outward-facing, willing to embrace other ways of life, and when we welcome those who can contribute to our societies. By pausing to celebrate the dozens of languages spoken across our communities we can send a powerful message: that Europe is a place where all backgrounds are welcome and individuals of every heritage can feel at home. Hundreds of events have been organized by schools, universities and cultural establishments to mark the day. I would like to send my best wishes to all those taking part."



