

NEWSLETTER

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Twining Social Evening

Tuesday 12 December

19h30 -21h00

Cornerstone

All Welcome



Successful School Exchange

Contribution from the visiting German Group

From November 7th to November 12th 27 German students from Planegg, Bavaria, took the chance to do a student exchange with girls from Didcot Girls' School (DGS). Their families hosted us for the duration of our stay and everybody felt really welcome.

After the visit of the DGS students in September 2016, the long awaited reunion was very emotional because everybody was excited to see each other again.

On the second day of our exchange, the English girls let us shadow them during their normal school day. It was interesting for us to be part of a British school for a day. The next day we went to Oxford with our partners to see the Story Museum and Christ Church College after a brief walking tour of Oxford. Most of the other afternoons we spent with our host families, getting to know their culture better and seeing many different parts of Didcot. Friday was probably everyone's favourite day because we went to London to see Big Ben, London Eye, Buckingham Palace, Covent Garden and Tower Bridge. On Saturday we were able to spend a whole day with our partners and their families. Some of us went to the city of Bath to see the Roman baths and others visited beautiful castles near Didcot.

In conclusion we'd like to say that this exchange was a huge success. The host families made us feel very comfortable with their British friendliness and warmth. Getting to know the British culture was a big honour and pleasure for all of us. Great experiences were made and valuable friendships were deepened.

Planegg is proud of its friendship with its twin city of Didcot and we are looking forward to many more years of intercultural exchange.

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Coverage in the Oxford Guardian

Didcot Girls' School welcomed 27 exchange students from its twinned town in Germany. The young people were over from Feodor Lynen Gymnasium in Planegg, a Bavarian town of around 11,000. Pupils enjoyed a six-day stay, having arrived on November 7th and leaving the following Sunday.

A packed itinerary included a welcome reception, a day in school visiting lessons and a celebration lunch. The eager group also enjoyed the Story Museum and Christchurch College in Oxford, a day in London and a day with the host families doing their own activities. Commenting on its website, DGS said the exchange was 'a week to remember' for its Year 9, 10, and 11 students. The school added 'The group departed on Sunday November 12th and it was clear from the tears in their eyes that firm friendships had been made'.



Christmas Greetings

We wish all members and friends of the Didcot and District Twinning Association all the best for Christmas and for 2018.

Happy Christmas

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