

## Çan / Çanakkale / Turkey

14th – 20th October 2012.

First day:

We left Hódmezővásárhely at 6 o'clock early in the morning. Everybody was very excited about the „big trip”. First we went to Budapest to the airport. Our plane took off at 10:50. The view was wonderful, besides we got a delicious Turkish lunch. The flight was only two hours, we landed in Atatürk Airport, Istanbul. After we waited for the other students and teachers from Italy, Czech Republic and Romania. We went together by bus to Yenikapi, and after by ferry boat to Bandirma. Finally there was a two hour journey to Çan. Our host families took us to their homes, my host student's name is Tugce. I got a very delicious traditional Turkish food for dinner. I was really tired after that long journey.

Second day:

At 8 a.m. there was a meeting in front of the school. Every Monday morning there is a ceremony when the Turkish students are singing their national anthem. After that short ceremony we visited some classes to introduce ourselves. All of the students have to wear uniform in the school. After the tea break there was a presentation time, when the children showed their presentations. In the afternoon we went to the bazaar. There were a lot of clothes, jewelry and food. Everything was very cheap so we went to a „big shopping” to a souvenir shop. After the dinner we met with some Turkish student in the downtown. Fanni and me drank typical Turkish tea and we talked with the Turkish students. We found good friends quickly. Near the restaurant there was an empty swimming pool where the Turkish students made a very great party in the evening.

Third day:

In the morning there was a presentation time again. I learnt a lot of things about the other countries. I think we performed our project very good. After a tasty lunch we visited the mayor at the municipality. We made a lot of pictures and we drank typical Turkish tea. We visited the mosque in the center of Çan. We had to take off our shoes inside the building. In the afternoon we had a rest in Piramit Café. There was an extremely hot weather: 40 Celsius. To dinner Fanni and Cansu came to us and we ate pizza together. After the dinner a traditional evening was at the Çan Wedding Hall, called Henna Night. In Turkey this night is usually held the night before the wedding. After that event everybody went to the pub and we watched a Turkish–Hungarian football match. The Hungarians were the winners so I got a cola from Furkan.