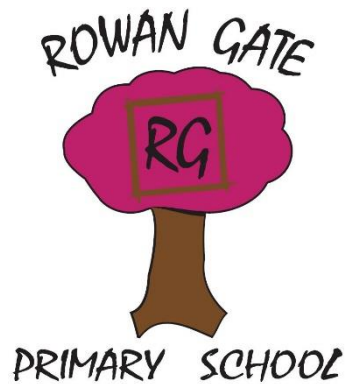




# Poland Trip

October 2017





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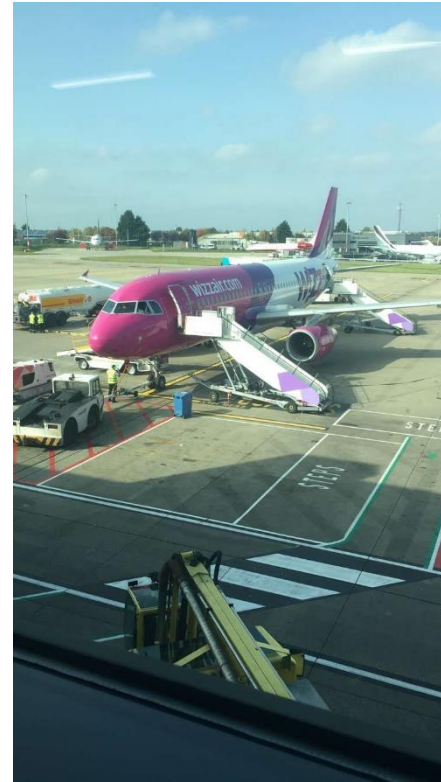


The following booklet includes emails sent from Poland to share what we had done each day in Poland with photos and evidence attached.

Made by Sarah Mellor

Travel to Poland

We all met at Rowan Gate school before 11am. We put our belongings on the mini bus and said goodbye to parents before making our way to Luton Airport. We had an easy check in and boarding at Luton Airport. Once on the plane, many of the children were very excited to go on a plane for the very first time. Once we arrived in Poland we met at the airport in Katowice by the taxi, who took us to our apartments. We had time to get some shopping and eat before heading straight to bed in order to rest for the week ahead!





## Day 1

A small message from those currently in Poland to let you know how we are getting on! Please share with all at school!

We arrived last night after a good journey and enjoyed relaxing in our apartments.

We got up early today and walked to the school. On arrival, we were given a tour of their school and enjoyed looking at their ERASMUS displays. The headteacher then welcomed us in a formal meeting before the children and some adults went to take part in a music lesson. We then played animal bingo before having a short break and experiencing a Polish lunch.

In the afternoon, we decorated a guitar in art before the children with Allison and Emma went to a disco. Natalija and I then learnt different methods to teach music and sound in their school training session. We left the school, in search for some food. Kasia (a teacher from the school) then lead us to a restaurant to have dinner.

This evening we have been phoning parents and facetimeing certain members of staff from RGW and RGE; Berni, Zoe and Miss Whiting.

We now look forward to a good rest in preparation for our trip to the stadium and school planetarium tomorrow!

See you soon!

Sarah (+Emma/Natalija/Allison and everyone in Poland!)



# More of day 1.....





## Day 2

Today we walked to school in the morning to meet all the other schools. We then walked for a while to the football stadium in Katowice. We were given a lovely tour of the whole place; inside and out. We then had a long walk back to the school where we were welcomed in to experience a planetarium. Afterwards we took part in a Polish dance around the school before sitting down to enjoy more Polish food. We were then given the opportunity to watch some lovely traditional Polish dancing, followed by a work shop where we learnt some ourselves!

Once we had finished school, we went for a walk in the park; one of the biggest in Europe. The children enjoyed playing in park while the adults enjoyed a much earned hot chocolate!

After a very long day, we have all retired to our rooms and are preparing ourselves for a busy day tomorrow visiting Kraków!





# *More from Day 2...*





Day 3

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Today we got up very early and got on a coach to go to Kraków. On arrival we walked up to the cathedral and enjoyed a tour. It was beautiful! We all went up the bell tower and enjoyed looking out over Kraków, high up in the tower. We then went to see where the Kings used to live and a museum. We saw the oldest part of the university and went for a walk. We then arrived at the main square and got to see inside St. Mary's church. After lunch we enjoyed some free time roaming the square and buying souvenirs. We then had a long journey home before returning to our apartment to make calls home and have tea. Please see attached some photos from our trip today!

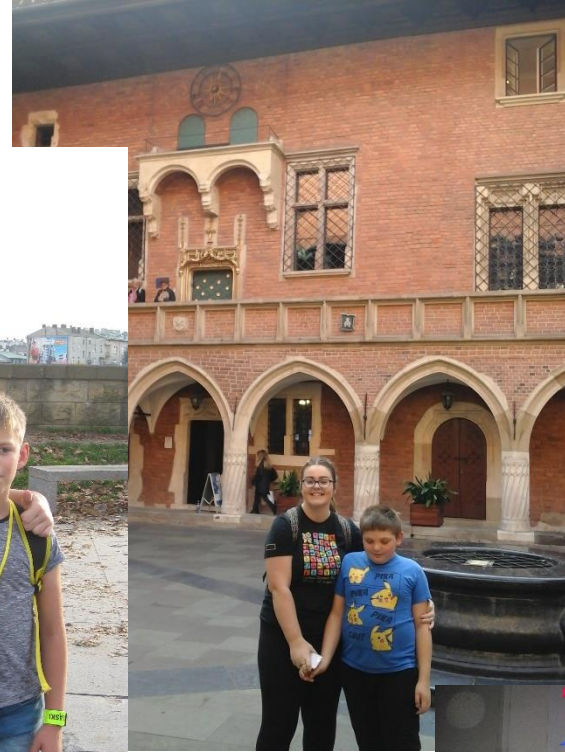
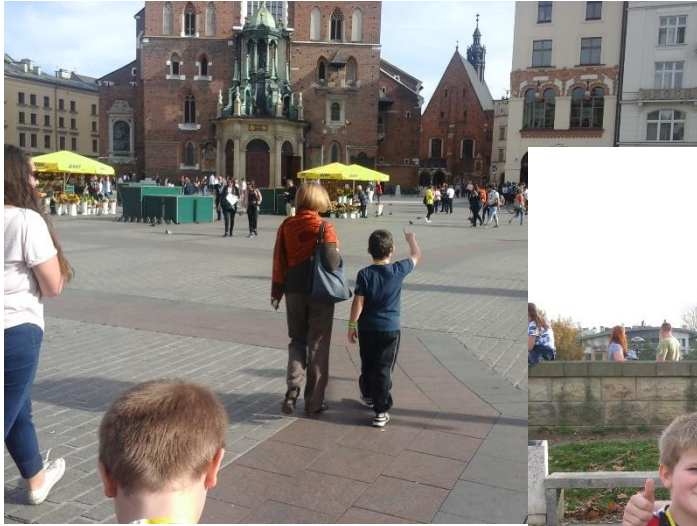
Tomorrow we look forward to a trip to the Zoo and dining out in the evening!

From all in Poland!





# More from day 3....





## Day 4

Today we had a slightly longer time to get ourselves ready before heading to a local fitness playground where the children enjoyed exercising and playing. We then took a walk to meet the rest of the group to head to the Zoo. We were then all amazed walking around the Zoo and looking at all the different animals; like Giraffes, Elephants, Red pandas, Tigers etc. The children then enjoyed playing in the play area while the adults had a chance to catch their breath!

We then went to see some more animals before heading to the edge of the park to the cable cars. Everyone then had an incredible experience on the cable cars that travelled across the park. The views were amazing and we were able to point out to the children, all the different places we had been over the last few days. One of the best moments of our trip!

We then had a chance to have a quick change at the apartments before heading out to a farewell meal with the rest of the schools. All enjoyed a very traditional Polish meal and interacting with others from Poland, Latvia and Lithuania.

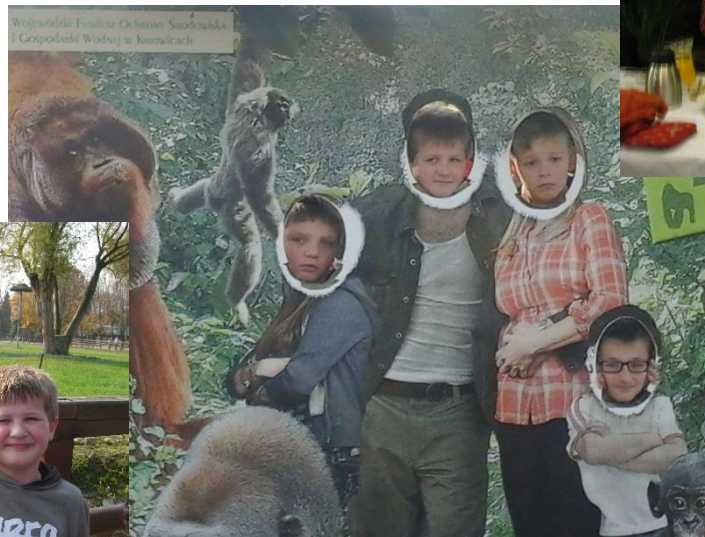
We now look forward to tomorrow where we have a farewell morning at school followed by some more exploring of Katowice!

*From all in Poland!*

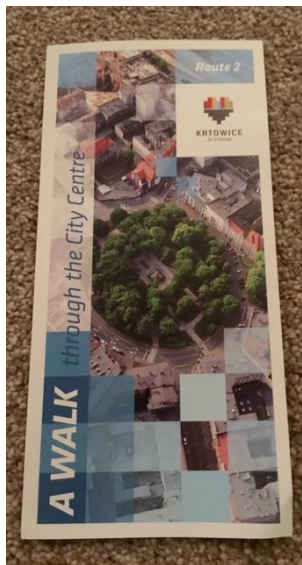




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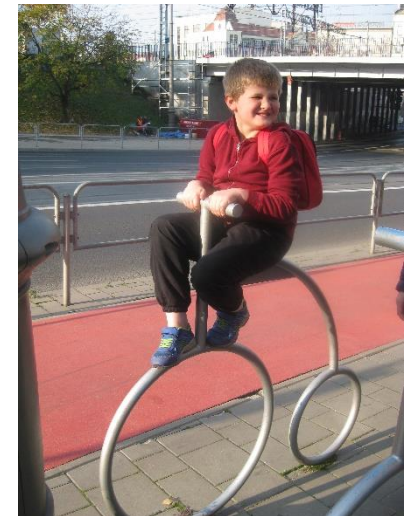
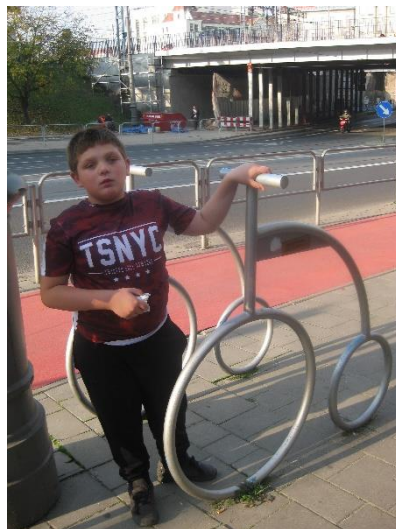
## Day 5

We got up early for our last full day in Poland and walked to school. On arrival in school we were greeted by fruit treats and enjoyed catching up with the other schools. The headteacher came to say a fond farewell before we all signed their visitors book and left. We all then headed to the tram stop. All of the children had never been on a tram before... Another first experience! We arrived in the city of Katowice and enjoyed following the walking tour map of the city. Again we did lots of walking and exploring with some pit stops to play and rest. We finished the day off with a trip to McDonalds!! We then headed back on the tram to our apartment and have enjoyed a restful evening before we travel back to Wellingborough tomorrow! See you after half term and we look forward to sharing more with you about our trip!





# *More from day 5...*





## Travel back home

We all met outside our apartments at 10am. We put our belongings in the taxi and said goodbye to the city of Katowice before making our way to the Airport. We had an easy check in however we unfortunately had a long delay both in the airport and after we had boarded the plane. The children and adults were all looking forward to getting home after a very busy and successful week. Once we arrived in England, we quickly headed to the mini bus and made our way back to school. When we arrived at Rowan Gate we were met by parents and loved ones. We said our goodbyes before all heading home to reflect on the week and have some much earned rest!

