

My adventure in southwest Ireland

Hello everyone.

To introduce myself, my name is Jiline Casanova and I am one of the kv plus students from the kv lucerne vocational school. It's been one and a half months since we started our great adventure. We are living in a town called Tralee in the southwest of Ireland, about 4 hours from Dublin.

Nature is probably the most impressive thing I've seen in Ireland so far. Because of the many rainy days, the nature can shine in its full glory. These rainy days do not stop us from making new friends, getting to know other people and enjoying the time we have left here. So, I can confirm that the prejudices about the rain are definitely true.

The workdays here are much shorter than in Switzerland. Therefore you have a lot of time to grow beyond yourself, try new hobbies, get to know yourself and everything around you.

Due to the good organisation, we are in very close contact with our school. If we have a concern or a problem, we can always contact the person in charge at the school. So even though we are doing this adventure on our own, we always have a contact, which gives us security. The school also organises excursions. These give us the opportunity to visit a large part of Ireland and getting to know the whole country.

My favourite trip so far was to dingle, which is a small place where most people still speak Gaelic, that's not very common here. In the morning we went to dingle by coach where we had a little stop. Later we took the coach again and went on a roundtrip to visit very beautiful caves (Picture 1). Afterwards we returned to dingle to visit cute little sea stores, an aquarium and took an amazing boat trip. In addition to these great daytrips we have the opportunity to take part in group events almost every week. Events such as pizza nights or horse riding at the beach are organised by our school.

Besides all the fun, we still invest a lot of our time in learning English. Every Tuesday and Thursday we go to class for two and a half hours. We prepare ourselves for the upcoming exam. We also deal with the language in our everyday lifes, so learning is not neglected either.

I would like to thank you for this unique opportunity, the great organisation and financing of this project. I really appreciate having this opportunity to grow beyond myself, learn other languages and expand my future opportunities.

See you in Bordeaux...



Picture 1: Roundtrip Dingle



Picture 2: Group picture