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THE BUSTA PROJECT

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WELCOME TO THIS 2ND NEWSLETTER OF THE BUSTA PROJECT!

Altogether let's Build Skills through Training therapy Animals!

Following the start of the project, the partners started their collaboration by organising the first 2 out of 3 exchange meetings also known as LTT's. LTT - Learning, Teaching, Training means that the purpose of these exchanges is to learn, mostly through experience. In addition to teachers and therapists from the organizations working on the project, those students from the respective schools who are interested in horses, dolphins and dogs as therapeutic animals also take part.

In plus of the previously mentioned LTT's, BUSTA project partners also attended a festival in Lithuania! More information below!





LTT 1 IN SOFIA, BULGARIA

OCTOBER 2022



During the LLT in Bulgaria the participants had the opportunity to spend two days in a row at the Paint and Quarter Horse Foundation's ranch, getting up close and personal with horses and the benefits of therapeutic riding. Together with the students from the Community for democratic education (CDE), they participated in a training session on a horse that is preparing to work with children with disabilities and also have fun in the organized games in the arena.

The program of the event also included two days at the Community for democratic education (CDE) where the participants had the opportunity to learn about the values of democratic education and self-directed learning.



LTT2 IN KLAIPEDA, LITHUANIA

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2022

In Lithuania the participants had the opportunity to visit the Maria Montessori school, have fun activities, see and hear traditional dances and music, as well as visit the physiotherapy center of the Lithuanian Sea Museum and meet the dolphins of the museum. Getting to know the dolphins, their behaviour forms and compare those with human behaviour forms, the meeting was based on different hands-on activities related to the purpose of the Dolphin assisted therapy centre.

Learning about established pedagogical processes of the Maria Montessori school as well as having groups discussions the participants successfully shared different ways to improve the social life in different groups of persons.

LITHUANIAN FESTIVAL



With the goal of making children with and without disabilities socialise better without stigma, this festival encourages pre-schoolers to come together and enjoy some fun activities. BUSTA project partners got the opportunity to visit the laboratories that were set up during the festival where all activities took place. They discussed individual needs of children and also learned how to say names through hand gestures!

The organizer of this festival Dolphin Assisted Therapy Center of the Lithuanian Sea Museum together with the Klaipėda University the Department of Holistic Medicine and Rehabilitation, Klaipeda Visual Education center and Siauliai kindergarten "Pasaka" organized a multiplier event in the framework of the BUSTA project with the practical participation of 18 project partners from Belgium and Bulgaria.

As a conclusion of these exchanges, school pupils of the partner countries were introduced to the BUSTA project and were brought to reflect upon disability.

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO

The BUSTA partnership is now preparing their final LTT exchange in September 2023 in Brussels!















