

In Greece with the topic “Less Plastic in our School”, students addressed the dangerous consequences of plastic in the ocean, soil and all living beings as well as the little actions we should do.

Plastic Pollution in our health



We have already showed the impact of plastic on the environment, but **what about the human beings?** Well surprisingly plastic enters our body through the digestive system in the format of microplastics.

Does that mean we eat plastic?

Microplastics free endocrine disruptors when in contact with our organism act like altered hormones disturbing the normal operation of the body causing cancer, diabetes, and deficiencies in the reproductive system.



In Arucas, Gran Canarias with the topic “Water Scarcity and Tourism Pollution”, the students became aware of the scarcity of water in the planet and in Portugal as well as tourism pollution. Therefore, they presented daily attitudes to minimize the problems.

Water scarcity in Portugal

And some of our dams and rivers were practically empty





Dam of Bravura, in the Algarve Dam of Vilar, Viseu Dam of Alto Rabagão, Vila Real

To conclude

Whatever Men does, it has a strong impact on the planet but if we are intelligent enough to create all sorts of inventions, So, why can't we work with Nature and be kinder to all species?

In Vagos, with the topic “Green Areas and Water Pollution – Atlantic Ocean”, the students showed their partners the importance of green areas to reduce global warming, air pollution and to keep water under the soil. They alerted to the fires and of no replanting those areas with native trees later and to the pollution in the ocean from which we depend on food, work and leisure.

Actions to preserve the planet

If we all need the planet, we must:

- Preserve and plant trees;
- Take good care of water courses;
- Say no to illegal fishing and hunting;
- Reduce electricity consumption;



The students and teachers of the six countries shared and compared ideas and facts and, in the end, realised that all partners' countries are experiencing the same problems to which we all have to have actions daily.



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THE PROJECT

ABOUT US

From Local to Global Environmental Awareness is an Erasmus + project with 6 countries: Greece, Poland, Romania, Türkiye, Portugal and Spain students.

From 2020 to 2023 a group of students took part in this project to address local environmental issues in order to share with their partners during the mobilities in the other partner country.



THE BEGINNING

During the school year 2020-2021 we met and addressed the environmental issues on-line, following Covid19 recommendations.

We began by creating an Eco Garden with flowers for the bees and insects, regenerating a pond, making Powerpoints and posters about the issues and preservations days.



THE MOBILITIES

For each mobility the students researched and phoned local institutions to know the actions that are being done to preserve the Planet.

In Poland to address the topic “Recycling an Energy Production”, the students talked about PRIFER, SIEMENS, TECPLASNOVA and JPRIOR and presented good environmental actions.



In Tükiey with the topic “Food Production, Consumption and Wasting”, they presented the way our grandparents respected nature cycles when toiling the land or raising cattle. From today they showed Confraria das Abóboras e Confraria das Sainhas.

In Romania with the topic “Excessive Exploitation of Natural Resources and Consumerism”, the students presented our natural resources, water, land, green areas, the ocean and what we all must do to preserve them and ourselves.

NATURAL RESOURCES

As natural resources we have **land**, **water**, the **ocean** and **woods**.

Vagos is located in the centre of Portugal with a coastline and **large sand dune valleys** just east of its center and near pinewoods planted on sandy land.

