

# VIAJE A BROADSTAIRS

## A WEEK IN BROADSTAIRS, UNITED KINGDOM

On 21st March a group of 22 students from San Juan Bosco School took a bus to Madrid Airport. Those 3 hours feel endless when you are so excited that all you can think of is that the week you have been waiting for more than 5 months is about to start. When we arrived, we had to wait again until we caught our



flight, however I must admit that some of us had a harder time than me as it was their first time flying. During the flight everything was fine and we arrived at London Gatwick airport safe and sound. Meeting our host family was one of the things we were looking forward to the most. They came to pick us and we spent the evening with them resting and getting to know them better. After having dinner and a shower we went to bed, we were so tired!

The next day we had classes in the morning and after having lunch all together at the school we played a quiz around Broadstairs. We got to know the city better and discover places such as Broadstairs' Bay, the clock tower... At night we had a karaoke all together and it was so much fun!

On Monday we had classes in the morning again and in the afternoon we trained with a really cool teacher that taught us yoga, martial arts and we even

gave boxing a try! At night we had a drama workshop with another school from the Basque Country and we played several games that made of us laugh and make new friends.

On Tuesday we had classes again in the morning and then in the afternoon we went to Canterbury! We visited many places in this historical city and we fell in love with its cathedral. The building is huge, with stunning glass colored windows and a big choir. We even had some time to go shopping and see more of this beautiful city. Then, we went back to Broadstairs and we had a pub quiz at the school. In teams, we answered some general knowledge questions that were very curious.

Wednesday was the day we were all waiting for! We caught a train to London very early and after a long trip we arrived. We visited the most memorable places such as the Parliament, Trafalgar Square, the London Eye, Buckingham Palace... At first, the weather was horrible (it even hailed!) but in the afternoon the sun appeared and the temperature became warmer.

We had lunch and then we went shopping! Regent Street is full of stunning stores that we had never





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seen before. Then, we returned to Broadstairs and went to sleep... (we were so tired!)

The next day we had classes as usual and visited Margate and its Art gallery in the afternoon. We went back to our houses and after having dinner with our host family we had a disco party at Charles Dickens School with Basque and Italian students. We danced and made many friends. Time went by really fast and when we realized it was time to go home.

On Friday we had to say goodbye to our host families. We had classes an hour earlier and around 12:15 p.m. we took our bus and left town. At Gatwick Airport we went shopping again (guess our favorite hobby) and its shops were really cool. We took our plain and headed home.

I must admit that as I write this article now, a month after this trip, I can't help a smile and think about the good times we all shared that week. Broadstairs, see you soon!

