

Comenius meeting in Torsås

20th – 26th of May 2008



The Comenius group from Sweden, Poland and the Czech Republic made a trip to Öland, the island in the Baltic Sea.

1. My very best memory this week?

The students were so impressed of all the beautiful places by the sea but also the forests. Many students wrote that the trip to Öland and the barbecue by the sea in Bergkvara were their best memories. Others thought that the shopping in Kalmar, the boat trip to Kårö and our school were all the best.

Our guest teachers said that “watching our students talking to others + being very happy” was absolute best. Hanna, who is the Czech Art teacher, appreciated the visit to the Leonardo da Vinci museum in Karlskrona. All the teachers loved the scenery (especially the views over the sea) and all the nice people they met.

2. I laughed a lot when ...

when the Swedish students tried to pronounce Czech words. We can see that Oliver and Alejandro were “kind of entertainers” 😊

3. The most beautiful place we visited was ...

Kalmar, Öland, Torsås school, the beach, the forest and the coast of the Baltic Sea, all the places near the sea, the boat trip and the tractor ride.

4. I didn't know that ...

Sweden has a king and a queen.
You had such a beautiful school.
Swedish schools are so big.
Students have so much freedom in school.
Swedish food is so good and healthy. The salads table in the school canteen.
Kalmar was so beautiful.
Students don't have to change shoes before they go into their class-rooms and the school canteen.
The films on TV aren't dubbed.
Swedish people are so friendly.
Sweden is so beautiful.

5. I have learnt a lot this week for example ...

Swedish words. Swedish bad words 😊
New Swedish games for example "kubb".
To communicate with other people in English.
To use my English.
Many new things about Sweden.
Swedish words and Swedish recipes.

6. The greatest differences between our school and yours?

Czech and Polish schools have very strict rules. Swedish students have more freedom.
Swedish school is very modern and beautiful.
Torskolan has lots of buildings.
Torskolan has better and more modern equipment.
Very big place. Nice music room. Good cafeteria.
Swedish students have much more freedom. I liked the salad buffet in the school canteen.

What did the teachers think about Swedish school?

Their opinions are pretty much the same as the students. The teachers were impressed of our school and that Swedish teachers are so relaxed and friendly. We let our students take responsibility which make them independent and dynamic. They also noticed that Swedish teachers have a more positive approach and that there is no shouting in school here.

The guest teachers say that the greatest differences between our schools are

Sweden has better relations between teachers and students.
More independent and responsible students.
Great staff rooms and better school equipment.
Different style of eating at the school canteen
Swedish people are so friendly with positive thinking.

7. Any other thoughts?

Happy students in Sweden.
I liked school here and I don't want to go home.
White nights.

➤ **Last but not least;**
Caroline and I want to thank all of you who have helped to make the Polish and Czech visit an unforgettable memory for many students and teachers.



The rooster, the symbol of Torsås