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The European School

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American High School World History and AP World History Classes Explore the Roman Treasuries of the Georgian National Museum

On Tuesday, February 13th, American High School students from grades 8,9,11, and 12 in World History and AP World History classes toured the Georgian National Museum with Mr. Joseph Blake and Dr. Natia Pipia. During the tour, we experienced and gained enhanced insight into the importance of the links between ancient Roman and Georgian cultures. This included artifacts from the Roman Republic and Empire, such as coins and mosaics excavated here, their historical and cultural significance considered. We also explored the permanent exhibition of Georgia's Soviet Occupation, 1921-1991. Georgia has had an intriguing and at times challenging contact with both ancient Rome, Russia, Eastern and Western cultures being on the crossroads of the world.



Paata Kaloiani, Grade 9

World Day of Social Justice

The celebration of the World Day of Social Justice was planned to break down the social barriers between the European School students and children from the non-governmental organization "World Vision Georgia." Georgian-speaking students from MYP grade 8 invited guests to discuss issues such as Global Warming. They watched educational videos and engaged in team activities. We continue multilateral cooperation with the "World Vision Organization" to have a positive impact on the lives of our future generation.

Tamar Sekhniashvili, MYP SA Coordinator

"Future Cyber Security Expert"

"Future Cyber Security Expert" conference was held on the 23rd of February at the European School. The conference was organized by the Scientific Cyber Security Association (SCSA) and the European School (ES). The European School students together with cyber security experts presented very interesting reports. They demonstrated their innovative ideas to the audience and got to connect during the conference with experts and leading IT organizations. "The New Crypto System" project created by MYP Grade 10 student, Zuka Kevanishvili, received a recognition. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the European School and SCSA. All the speakers received certificates from SCSA and the European School. Student report abstracts are going to be published in conference abstract book, the full versions will be published in a Scientific and Practical Cyber Security Journal. The conference was covered by "TV Pirveli" channel and "Cyber Kvira" media.

Maxim Iavich, the ICT Teacher of the European School

Valentine's Day

Our school students celebrate Valentine's Day annually, creating everlasting memories in the process. This day was especially challenging for me since it was my first time participating. According to the Valentine's Day contest rules, my partner, Zurab Dzeladze and I created a Valentine's Day video, staged a dance from an iconic movie and participated in various fun games. We managed to win the Valentine's Day contest and received two movie tickets as our award.

Anastasia Dombrovskaja, DP 11



PYP Students Learn Effective Communication

PYP third graders started the second semester by learning about how people express themselves. They explored means of communication. Students inquired into ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; they learnt about the history of communication, and how ways we communicate with each other have changed through time. Students created newspaper and wrote their own articles; they created posters that showed the timeline of communication; during art lessons students created a real television; in the classroom they participated in activities that helped them to learn how to communicate with each other; most importantly, they learnt that there are other ways to exchange information like Morse code, Braille, and sign language. According to our lines of inquiry children hosted a special guest from the Georgian Deaf Organization at the European School, where they learnt some basic sign language. Students also visited the National Georgian Broadcaster and saw with their own eyes how TV programs are created and how information is shared in a global market. However, the most important activity through which students learnt why communication is important, was a visit to the retirement home "Catharsis". Students collected sweets, thread and things necessary for knitting. When they arrived in the retirement home, students met residents of the home: grandmothers and grandfathers. Students talked with them, played chess, domino and backgammon, sang songs and danced together.



This trip helped students to understand why communication between generations is an important part of our lives. Through the knowledge gained participating in these activities and trips, students successfully learnt about different types of communication.

Bilge: "I enjoyed the fact that we made them very happy with our visit."

Deren: "It's important that we children talk and communicate with older people, especially the ones that don't have their own family!"

Fidan: "Grandmother and Grandfathers they were very friendly and nice."

Merab: "I enjoyed watching the old men playing chess with good strategies and great tactics."

Amina: "It felt good when old grannies were teaching us how to knit."

Anastasia: "I was happy that we tried to make them happy too."

Nita: "I like it when we sang together".