

The Erasmus mag'

1st mobility : Troisdorf, in Germany

The Youth during World War 2

During this first mobility in Troisdorf, 8 students of year 10 classes, had the opportunity to broaden their knowledge about the Second World War, focusing on the life of young people during this period.

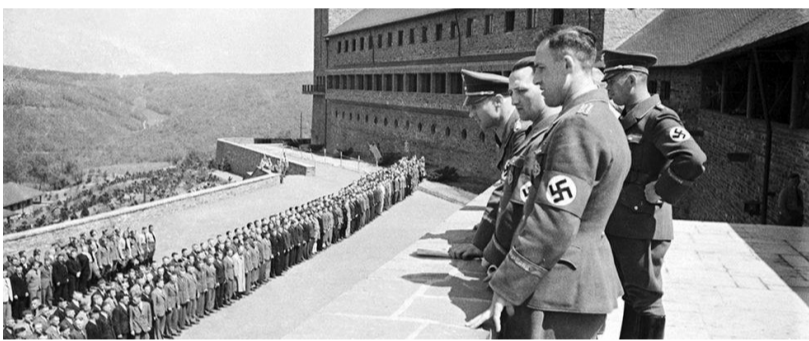


1st step : the Youth Hostel:

Before going to their partner's families, the students met in Cologne at a youth hostel. This evening was an opportunity for them to get to know each other and present their school.



Day 2 – Visit of "Burg Vogelsang"



Ordensburg Vogelsang was an establishment intended to train the future Nazi elite. The young cadets were convinced of belonging to a superior race, which in their eyes legitimized the right to eliminate any individual from other so-called "inferior" races. The towering architecture was said to demonstrate the power of the "superior Aryan race."

"But for the Allies who will occupy Vogelsang in 1945, this place will instead become a symbol of the predominance of democracy over Nazism."

Day 3 – Guided tour of a neighbourhood: Ehrenfeld

During this guided tour, students were able to learn more about the life of Jews before and then during World War II. Through Hans Steinbrück's story they learned how German youth resisted and fought Nazism, especially with the emergence of resistance groups such as the Edelweiss Piraten.

In the afternoon, the students had the opportunity to discover people who had become famous by resisting the rise of Nazism: Fritz Theilen, Mucki or Marinette & Christiane ...

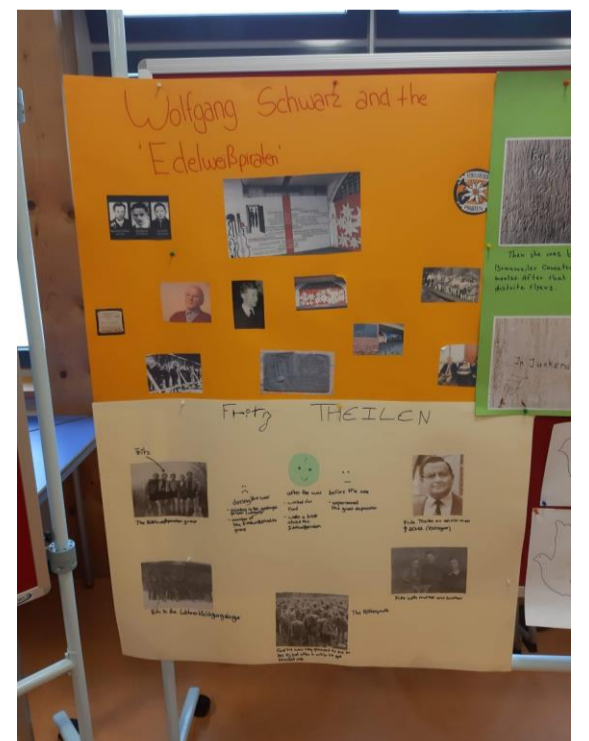
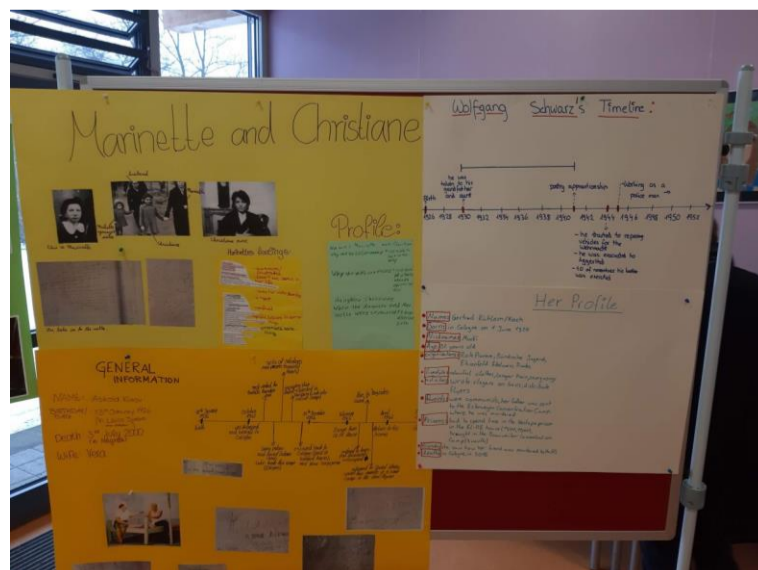
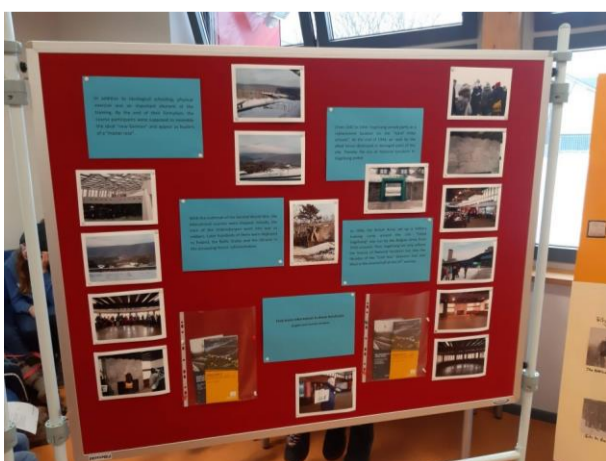


Day 4 - Visit of the Peace museum and the Remagen bridge

A place of intense fighting during the last phase of the war, Remagen became a symbol of the liberation of Europe from the Nazi yoke. In 1980, thanks to the efforts of Hans Peter Kuerten, the local mayor, the two towers on the west bank were transformed into a memorial called the Peace Museum.



Exhibition of the works done by pupils at "Heinrich - Boll - Gymnasium"



Visit of Cologne

