

On the 1<sup>st</sup> December engaged our school to the European Erasmus project for Youth in action. This project is based on collaboration of 3 european states: Lithuania, the Czech Republic and Bulgaria. It should encourage young and studious students to improve their language skills, be more creative with thinking up new things and meet new foreign students and potential friends.

Our school has created a few groups through classes and each one started to work on our first task – **to create a LOGO of a project** with a password / Culture, nature and people – meeting points of Lithuania, the Czech Republic and Bulgaria /. A shortcut of our project sounds CLAP.

Our first online meeting with our partner school and all foreign students has taken place in our local computer Lab. We have tried to connect with them correctly but technique has failed so we have managed to share only some of our ideas.

The second task for each group was to record a video or make a picture presentation about our Christmas holidays, habits and costumes we do or keep on the Christmas Eve and feasts. Every group was successful and has created a record to share it with our partners.

And that was a task number 3. Each group has got a number, the other school has done the same and groups with similar numbers have connected with themselves and share questions and videos. Everything goes according to a plan and we hope we will visit our foreign partners and their environments as soon as it will be possible.

### **Bulgarian's answers to the Czech questions**

1) -**How we called a famous habit which helps young girls to know their future about a marriage?** - The throwing of the shoe or the cherry twig in the vase, if it blooms on Christmas day, the girl in the house will get married .

2) - **What's the name of the most famous czech christmas carol?** - We have two suggestions (don't laugh) – “semeyan novini” and the other is “nesenevannovene”

3) - **Who brings presents to the czech children in the evening on the 24th december?**- Baby Jesus

4) - **What feast is celebrated in the czech republic on the 6th december as a memory on a historical and significant personality?** - Saint Nikolaus

5) - **On the last 4 sundays before Christmas Eve we celebrate an Advent, when we cook christmas cookies and hunt for last minutes presents. What is a title for each sunday? -** Iron, bronze, Silver, Gold

6) - **How Czechs call the Christmas Eve?** - Generous day

## **Lithuanian Answers to Czech questions:**

**1) -How we called a famous habit which helps young girls to know their future about a marriage?** \*The trowing of a shoe. A young girl have to throw a shoe over her shoulder.

**2) -What's the name of the most famous czech christmas carol?** \*The carol named "neseveman novene" or something like that, please don't laugh, we couldn't hear it well.

**3) -Who brings presents to the czech chidren in the evening on the 24th december?** Baby Jesus, right?

**4) -What feast is celebrated in the czech republic on the 6th december as a memory on a historical and significant personality?** \*It's St. Nicholas Day. We don't know much about it, can you tell us something?

**5) -On the last 4 sundays before Christmas Eve we celebrate an Advent, when we cook christmas cookies and hunt for last minutes presents. What is a title for each sunday?**

\*It's Iron Sunday, Bronze Sunday, Silver Sunday and Golden Sunday.

**6) -How Czechs call the Christmas Eve?** \*Czechs call it Generous day.

## **Czech answers to the Lithuanian questions:**

**1) -What is our school's dress code?** - Jacket

**2) - What traditional event happens in our school every year?** - Acoustic evening

**3) - In what project did our students participate this year during Christmas time?** - "Christmas town"

**4) - What is one of the strongest subjects in our school?** - Mathematics

**5) - What traditional things our students learned to make by themselves?** -Huts and straw decorations

## **Czech answers to Bulgarian questions:**

- 1) -**Which of the landmarks shown in the video would you like to visit the most?**  
\*Definitely the centre of Sofia! As we could see in the video, that's a really beautiful city!
- 2) -**Which of the Christmas dishes seem most delicious in your opinion?** \*We decided that the most delicious looking dish from the videos was the Christmas loaf.
- 3) -**Do you know the names of the traditional dishes served on Christmas eve?** \*No, we had just seen how they look like and we would like to know the names. Tell us more about it!
- 4) -**What is the most specific feature of the food we eat, here in Bulgaria, on Christmas eve?** \*We think that the most specific feature is that you eat mostly vegetarian food, it means no meat or fish. Is it true?
- 5) -**What decoration did you notice in the videos? Which did you like most?** \*Actually, we noticed really many decorations and we have to say that it all was impressive! Many garlands in every step of the cities, shining streets, a magnificent fountain in front of the Presidensy, glowing and sparkling Christmas trees near the cathedral ant the theatre.. Your country is very beautiful at the Christmas time!
- 6) -**Can you compare our customs to yours?** \*Our customs generally are very similar. One of differences we found is that during Lithuanian Christmas Eve on Christmas table there have to be 12 dishes! It's very important tradition to us.