

Juku-scholarship 2022- Hohebuch

On the 31st of July 2022, after just one plane ride, this one-in-a-lifetime experience began: within hours, various students were all united in one place with only one thing linking them together, their knowledge of German.

The three weeks that I spent in Germany were the most magical and life changing three weeks that I ever experienced. I met a lot of new people from various countries, while also expanding my abilities in German. At the time, it was crazy to think how all of these people were from different parts of the world but at that current time, we were all living together in Hohebuch. From the morning German lessons, to the afternoons full of activities, everything contributed to this amazing experience. The carers were all friendly and even they became part of the experience that I am already missing. They were all dedicated to helping us pass our exams, while also making it fun for us through the planning of various fun activities in the evenings.



A few of the amazing activities we had were: bracelet making, playing badminton, going on a walk in the sunset, a beauty evening, the famous water games and one cannot forget the native country evening where everyone presented their country's culture.

Although in the mornings we all had lessons, the teachers were all so nice and fun that even during the lessons you have fun. From watching German movies to playing German games, everything contributed to making learning an enjoyable experience which, helped me improve my German skills during the course. All the teachers and even carers did their best to help us in every possible way to prepare for the exam at the end of the course. Each evening there would be extra classes, where we would do practice material. This helped me feel more confident and prepared for the exam.

Challenges against the carers



Dodge ball

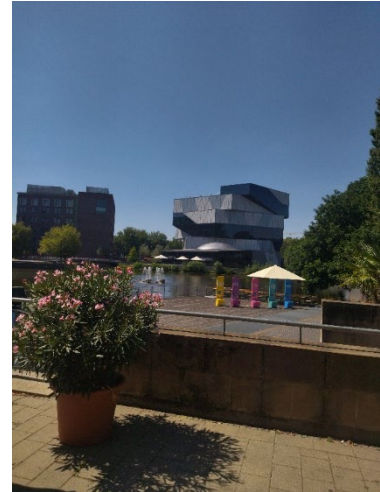


Water games

On Wednesdays and on Saturdays we would all look forward to the various excursions that they had planned for us. Some of the places we visited were Heidelberg, Nürnberg, and Heilbronn; where we visited one of Germany's universities and even a science centre, and Schwäbisch hall. In each city, we got to enjoy a tour where we learnt about the city's history. One of the most magical places we visited was a castle in Heidelberg. It was truly an experience of a lifetime, where we not only improved our German but also got to discover the beauty that Germany has to offer.



A walk at sunset on a lazy Sunday



Heilbronn science centre



Schwäbisch Hall



Nürnberg



Heidelberg castle

Another great fun activity were the parties that were planned every Saturday, each one with a specific theme. It was a fun way to get to know other people, while also sharing a laugh at all the original and fun costumes. Meanwhile, the culture evening was also a night to remember: we learned about different cultures and even baked or tried some traditional food from each country.



Sri Lanka's presentation



Ecuador's presentation



Space-themed party



Malta's presentation



Space-themed party



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Overall, I truly can say that I am glad that I was chosen to go on this scholarship. The friendships that I made there will always stay in my heart. I also believe that with the help of this one-in-a-lifetime experience, I have managed to improve my skills in German, which will eventually help me in my future studies. It is truly an experience that one cannot miss and I encourage all the students of German in our school to do their best and if they get the opportunity, to apply for it because you will truly not be disappointed.