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The first day of the LTTA 2 (16-22 september 2018) at Wellington School in Ayr, Scotland, U.K. was really amazing. After the morning activities, we went on a tour of Ayr aimed to make us discover the city. The tour also had a goal: take pictures of places, things and people, everything specific to Scotland and the U.K. We were split up into 8 teams of 5 and left to explore the town on our own which made us more aware of all the cultural Scottish things surrounding us: a person wearing a kilt, Scottish tea, a traditional restaurant, a place where we can eat fish and chips, haggis, shortbread, a scone. This way it was easier to integrate into the town and the Scottish culture, to know each other better and communicate in English. During this activity we also developed our time management skills, our negotiation abilities and we learned to work as a team to solve a specific task.

After we were done with the “Selfie Tour”, we walked along the beach all the way back to the school where we also ate dinner. Then, we went into the Carleton Turrets Hall to experience traditional Scottish dances, such as “Gay Gordons” and “The Virginia Reel”. This created a connection between all the pupils from all the countries because the dances mixed up all the nationalities and it also created a different view of the teachers because they were dancing and having fun with their students. Everybody enjoyed the funny atmosphere that was created. The dances were accompanied by the talented Ayrshire Fiddle Orchestra which did an amazing job providing the necessary music. Some students and teachers of Wellington School even wore their kilts which made the experience even more authentic. The day ended with everybody singing “Happy Birthday” to a student who turned 17, which was a very nice and unforgettable surprise.

Scottish peoples have an amazing and unique culture full of different things that you won't find anywhere else, such as bagpipes, kilts and ceilidhs.

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