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Bára

Sunday

Sunday was the first day with our families after our arrival. I started this day with my host Emily and my friend Terka waiting for Míša and her hosts. While we were waiting for them, we went for a short walk around Lytham St Annes. We took some photos and then Míša and her hosts arrived. We went for brunch to the Capri together. The food was amazing and afterwards we went to Blackpool. Our hosts showed us some of their favourite places and then we went to play bowling. We spent the whole afternoon in Blackpool and in the evening we finally went home.

Honza

Sunday

The first whole day in Lytham was Sunday. After breakfast we went for a walk with Adam’s dog Kal. On the way we met Robert with Marek and Bel with Anna. We walked around Lytham and went to Robert’s house. His mum prepared an excellent Sunday dinner. Then we went to AKS football ground. We played some frisbee there. Then we went home. For dinner we had chicken with gravy, potatoes and peas. Then we went to Robert’s house to watch some Harry Potter.

Marek

Monday

Monday was the first day to really get to know each other. In the morning we took a bus to get to Blackpool. Then we visited the Blackpool tower. Firstly we climbed up the Tower Eye, the highest place in the area. After a quick lunch we met up again to try our dancing skills in the famous Tower Ballroom. Then we could have some fun because we went to the Tower Circus, which has been working since 1894. At the end of our day we were offered to try the most traditional food in England, fish and chips.

Terka

Tuesday

On Tuesday we spent almost the whole day in school. We were making steam boats. We cut some shapes out and then we joined the engine. The engine was made from a tube. We filled the tube with water and lit a candle that was underneath. The energy accumulated in steam moved the boat. After we had constructed the boats we raced them. After our race we had a movie night in the school.

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Wednesday

On Wednesday we started the day with Golf Ball Challenge. We worked in groups and created our own rockets. After that there was a competition in ,,How far can you propel your golf ball?“. After lunch we played a Murder mystery game. Our hosts wanted to show us the local area and teach us a little more about the history and architecture. We worked in bigger groups so it was great. On our way we found a playground where we took some pictures. We finished at 4 p.m. and then we all went home with our hosts and after that they took us to Rob’s house. We were playing some board games, singing and talking about everything and I think that we all enjoyed it.

Anička

Thursday

We spent the fourth day of the official program in a nice nature reserve called The Lake District. Our journey was long but we quickly found out that it was worth it. I think that most of us had never seen anything like that. There were many hills and valleys, rivers and wonderful waterfalls. It was quite a different landscape than we have here in the Czech Republic, but also charming.

However, nothing is for free; even there we did some science (as we were a part of the science seminar, of course). Luckily Mr. Winterflood was with us, his explanation was interesting and clear. I really enjoyed the fact that I could understand geology in a foreign language and now we know how the national park was formed.

The evening activities were once again up to each family. I think that everyone enjoyed their evening as well as the rest of the seminar. I hope we are not the last students to be part of something as nice as the International Science Seminar.

Honza

Friday

On Friday we went to school as usual. In the morning we went to play some golf near St Annes pier. We were in five groups. Everybody lost lots of balls and somebody broke his club. After golf we came back to school for lunch. We had Fish and Chips. In the afternoon we were making presentation about the seminar. We presented them to a former headmaster of King Edward school who founded ISS. Then we went to our hosts. In the evening we went to Ascent which is a building full of trampolines. Everybody enjoyed it. After Ascent we went to our host families.

Míša

Sunday  
On late Saturday evening we went to London We arrived there at 6 o´clock on Sunday morning. The journey was exhausting so when we came to London we were super tired. We visited some famous monuments such as Big Ben, Buckingham palace and Trafalgar square. We spent 5 hours there and at first it was really complicated because the left luggage was closed, so mr. Slezak was waiting with our suitcases at the station until the left lagguage had opened while we were walking through London. Then we had some free time in London and the teachers told us that we were going to meet at Victoria coach station. We thought: "Ok, if we don´t know where it is, we will ask someone.” The problem was that there are two Victoria bus stations. Fortunately they are really close to each other so everybody who we asked for Victoria bus station instructed us to the other Victoria station. It the end we found the station somehow and went to  Prague, where we arrived on Monday morning.