

Erasmus+ Mobility - November 2025



In November 2025, a group of fifth year students and staff from Presentation De La Salle Bagenalstown had the incredible opportunity to participate in an Erasmus+ mobility to the beautiful city of Padua, Italy. This experience was truly transformative, offering a perfect blend of cultural immersion, collaborative learning, and unforgettable memories.



Padua/Padova, Italy.

Our adventure began with a warm welcome from our Italian partner school, who opened their doors and hearts to us. Throughout the week, our students attended classes alongside their Italian peers, gaining valuable insights into the Italian education system and engaging in lively discussions about shared educational challenges and opportunities.



Beyond the classroom, we explored Padua's rich history and vibrant culture. Highlights included guided tours of Prato della Valle, the Basilica of Saint Anthony, and the historic University of Padua, one of Europe's oldest centres of learning.

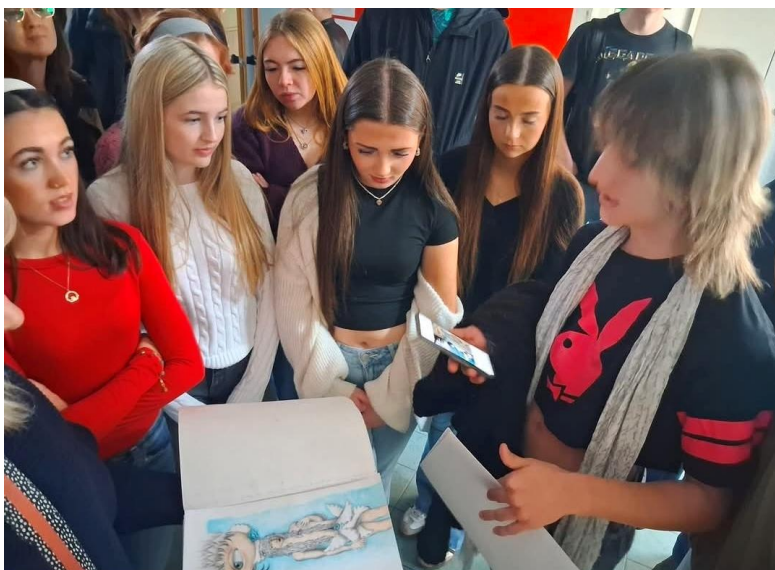
Students learned to interpret historical sites and understand their role in European history, developing observational and analytical skills through hands-on exploration.

One of the most memorable excursions was a day trip to Venice, where we visited the iconic Piazza San Marco, Basilica di San Marco, Doge's Palace, and the Rialto Bridge, enjoying breathtaking views of the Grand Canal. We also explored the famous islands of Murano, Burano, and Torcello. In Murano, students observed traditional glass-making techniques, while Burano's colourful streets provided the perfect backdrop for a photography project focused on architectural details—images that will inspire a creative building project back at school.





This mobility was about active learning and cultural exchange. Students engaged in interactive discussions during stops at key landmarks, gathered photos for their digital school-based project, and strengthened their intercultural competence by immersing themselves in local traditions and stories.



From sampling authentic Italian cuisine to walking through artisan shops and narrow Venetian streets, every moment of this Erasmus+ experience fostered creativity, critical thinking, and global awareness. Friendships were formed, perspectives broadened, and a deeper appreciation for European heritage was gained.

