

## Our trip to Scotland

This journey was one of the best experiences in my entire life and I'm extremely grateful that I could take part in this. I want to thank Anikó and Marcsi néni, also the RPI for this opportunity, it really was life changing.

On the first day we met at the airport, got through security rather quickly and after a quick wait we got on the plane. A few hours later we landed in Glasgow.

The city of Glasgow was amazing and there were so many interesting people, shops and programs we could do. It was different from Hungary, people kept to themselves and minded their own business, but they were really nice too. We walked to our hotel, our rooms were quite nice. After dinner at the hotel, we walked around. The streets were filled with shops and tourist traps but it was great and we got a few snacks to take back to the hotel.

### Getting to know the city of Glasgow

Well, we woke up early, ate breakfast and headed to St Mungo's Church. We got to walk around and look inside this beautiful building while listening to the audio guide.

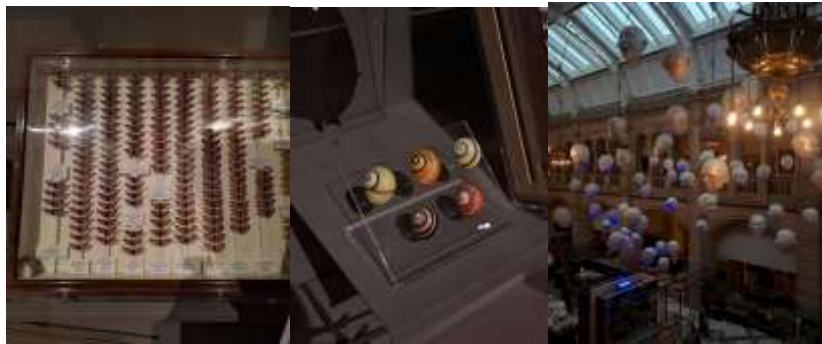


Afterwards we visited the cemetery behind the church.

Later we had lunch in the city and visited a tenement house that was furnished just like in the early 20th-century. Then we took the bus to the Kelvingrove Park and Museum, it was



huge. We had time to look around the museum, there so many different exhibitions about different things I could've spent hours in there.



### Trip to Dumfries

The next morning, we tried to take the bus to the train station, but the bus just wouldn't come so we decided to walk which wouldn't have been a problem, but the rain was pouring so we were drenched by the time we got there. After drying off a bit and buying the tickets we got on the train and took a 2-hour journey to Dumfries.

I dozed off the minute the train departed and woke up when we made it to Dumfries. A lovely old couple, Pam and Colin were waiting for us. We were shown a commemorative plaque in a nearby school of the top students and Miss Jane Haining's name was up there. Then Pam and Colin drove us to Dunscore where the local church community prepared us sandwiches, biscuits and many more snacks. While eating we had a nice conversation and we told them about what's it like to live in Hungary.



We then went to the church where Pam showed us a powerpoint presentation about Miss Jane Haining's life. Later we walked around the church and admired the breathtaking landscape. The blindingly green hills and the crisp air was a great change of scenery after our day in the crowded city.

Pam and Colin served us tea and sweets in the comfort of their own home. Pam showed us her charming little garden

and we had a nice chat before they drove us back to the station where we said our goodbyes.

On the drive there we saw an adorable donkey and Colin told us that there's a donkey infirmary there.



### **Trip to Edinburgh**

This was my favorite part of our time spent in Scotland. This city was beautiful and I loved every minute of being there. We visited the castle, walked down Royal Mile and looked around in some of the shops to find some souvenirs to take home. For lunch we decided to have fish and chips and we weren't disappointed, it was delicious. Marcsi and Anikó néni gave us some free time so Mesi and I bought a coffee and strolled around taking in this astonishing place.



I just want to say thank you again for this spectacular experience. It was unexpected, but I am extremely glad that I had this chance and it will stay with me for my whole life.