

## Personal reflection

I took part in Barcelona in the Erasmus Intensive Programme from 14 April until 26 April in 2013.

### Personal development:

I have always been interested in going on a training practice abroad and get to know new people, cultures customs and kindergarden practices. I feel that I learned a lot during these two weeks. At the beginning it was a little bit difficult for me, because I didn't expect that it would be so intensive, but after a while I enjoyed it really a lot. I think I became faster, because I didn't think too much before an activity. I'm just starting it and doing it. I become more precise, because the expectation and the people's level was high.

I worked in a group and it developed my cooperation skills. First to be honest, it was really hard, because everybody had got difficult idea, but in the end I think we became a very good team. I learned a lot from adapting to the others. I realized that I can work in a group if I have self-confidence and my own opinions. I know that I have to work on it in my life, but I think it was a good way to develop myself. We got a lot of tasks to do it, for example: the lesson plans, the journalists of the day, preparation for our evening. First, I was a little bit stressed about it, but I realized that this task is very important and useful. When I did the journalist it was really good, because I observed everything and this improved my observing skills. I also practised my English knowledge and I think it was a really good opportunity to do it.

### With our dragon Elliott:



### Intercultural experience:

For me it was really nice to meet people from different countries. It was really interesting to get to know each other's culture and the cultural night was a really good opportunity for this. During the story telling I got closer to the different countries. The presentation about the school systems was interesting too, I think it was a great opportunity to compare different ways of education and life. For example: In every country except Denmark have to pay for State Kindergarten, but in Hungary we don't have to pay for it.

I didn't know that and it was surprising for me that every culture is so different from each other. For me it was really interesting to see that a lot of people had very open personality and self-confidence much more than in my country. I'm very happy that I went to some beautiful places in Barcelona.

The harbour



## Casa Battlo



### The professional development:

During the workshops I learned a lot of useful things that I can use in the Kindergarten. When I was writing the lesson plans I could think about the process and it was really good to deepen my knowledge. For example, I really enjoyed the activity about all our senses. The teacher blindfolded our eyes and we touched and tasted the different kinds of fruits. I'm sure that I will do this activity in the Kindergarten when I'm on practice. With my group we went twice to Virolai Spanish Kindergarten. I learned a lot while we were preparing for these days. How we can figure out an activity and how we can do it with the children. To be honest it was a lot of time but it was really worth it, because the children really loved the activities with us. On the first day I did a song, 'Subidu' with the children, so that we could warm up. On the second day I did a little activity, when children were drawing while they were listening to a nice music. I observed that children can understand a lot of things even if they can't speak the language. I liked it very much that we understand more and more each other. In the end they gave us a hug and kisses and this meant a lot for me.

I think after this two weeks experience I have become a little bit more independent and mature person and this Programme helped me a lot in my personal and professional development.