



# River Magazine

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Everything continues!

We had the 3rd meeting in Veikkola school, Finland from 29th January to 4th February 2017.

The ecological project that is entitled: **“Protecting the environment is an Opportunity! Not a burden we must bear.” (Helmut Sihler)**

The coordinating country is Germany and the partner countries are Finland, Turkey, Lithuania and Spain. The topic of the project is water. The main aim of the project is: increasing the awareness of how to become eco-friendly.

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# 3rd meeting in Finland

The week was full of activities!



## Language labs

During the mobility, we had a language lab where we learned some phrases in all our languages. We also taught some funny things and songs in Finnish.

English	Catalan	Finnish	German	Lithuanian	Turkish
Hello	Hola	Moi	Hallo	Sveikas	Merhaba
What is your name?	Com et dius?	Mikä sinun nimesi on?	Wie heisst du?	Koks jusu vardas?	Adin ne?
My name is..	El meu nom es..	Minun nimeni on..	Mein name ist..	Mano vardas yra..	Benim adim..
I am..	Jo soc..	Minä olen..	Ich bin..	As esu..	Ben..
Nice to meet you.	Encantat de coneixret.	Hauska tavata.	Schön dich zu sehen.	Malonu.	Tanistigima memnun oldum.
How are you?	Com estàs?	Kuinka voit?	Wie geht es dir?	Kaip tu gyveni?	Nasilsin?
I'm fine, thanks. You?	Estic be I tu?	Voin hyvin, kiitos. Entä sinä?	Mir geht es gut, danke. Dir?	Aciu, gerai.	Iyyim, tesekkurler. Sen?

### FINNISH TONGUE TWISTERS

#### KOKKO

-Herra kokko, kokoo koko kokko kokoon!  
-Koko kokkoko?  
-Koko kokko.

In english:

-Mr. Kokko, gather up the whole bonfire!  
-The whole bonfire?  
-The whole bonfire.

#### KASVAIN

"Kas vain", sanoi kasvain, ja kasvoi vain, sillä vain kasvain voi kasvaa noin vain.

In english:

"Oh look", said a tumor, and kept on growing. Because only a tumor can grow just like that.





## Sutsi satsi satsaa- song lyrics

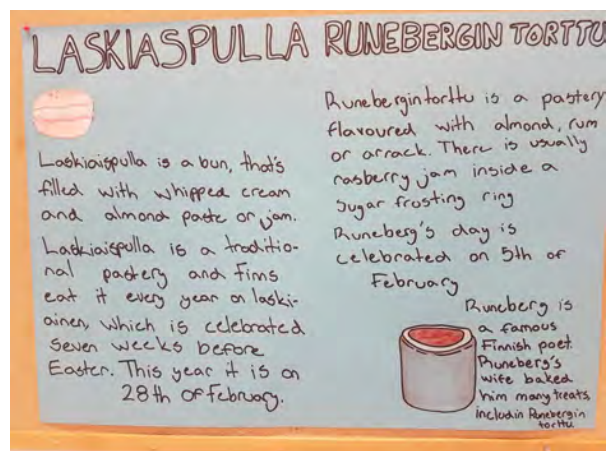
Peukalot pystyyn. *Sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa, sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa.*  
 Peukalot pystyyn, kyynärpäät taa. *Sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa, sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa.*  
 Peukalot pystyyn, kyynärpäät taa, polvet yhteen. *Sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa, sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa.*  
 Peukalot pystyyn, kyynärpäät taa, polvet yhteen, leuka eteen. *Sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa, sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa.*  
 Peukalot pystyyn, kyynärpäät taa, polvet yhteen, leuka eteen, kieli ulos. *Sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa, sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa.*  
*Sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa, sutsi satsi satsaa, sutsi satsaa.*

You can also listen to the song in  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WQx5ltLjx-o>



## Traditional baking

Our guest got to bake some traditional Finnish pastries. You can find the recipes from Internet using headwords *laskiais bun recipe* and *Runeberg tart recipe*.



# Water analysis

On Tuesday of the mobility we went to Helsinki university's chemistry lab to do water analysis. We did two different tests.

## Bacterias in the water

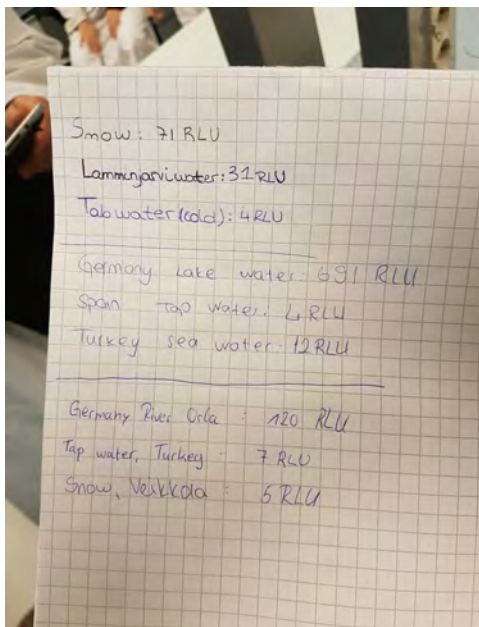


We took a water sample and we put it in a luminometer device that showed us how much microbes the water had.

The Luminometer device shows us how much microbes the water has in RLUs.

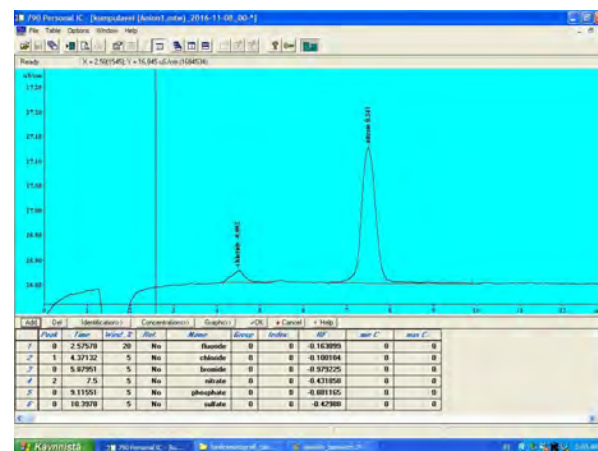
If it's under 150 RLUs it's drinkable, because it doesn't have much microbes in it. But it only tells how much microbes it has, so it could have other minerals or/and salt that could make it undrinkable.

If the water has over 300 RLUs in it, it is so contaminated that it's absolutely undrinkable.

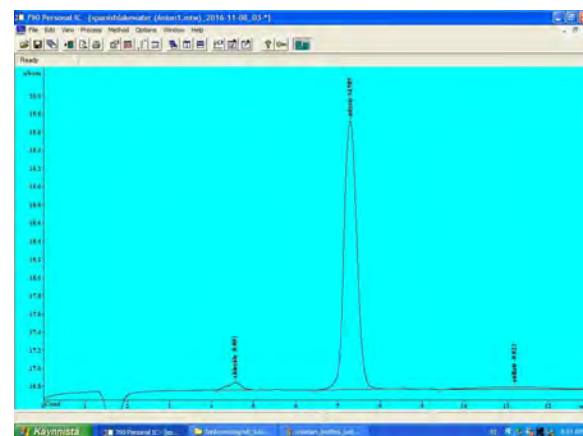


## Ion chromatography

The water sample was injected into the machine, and it showed us how much and what kind of ions it had. From the results we could find out the differences between samples. The higher the peak, the more certain ions the sample has.



## Finnish tap water



## Spanish lake water



# Exceptional weather conditions

One part of the mobility was to learn about exceptional weather conditions in all our countries. The students had prepared presentations that told us about...



## Floods



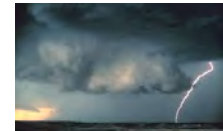
## Tornadoes

## Forest fires

## Heat waves & cold waves

## Earthquakes

## Storms



## Heavy rain

## FINLAND



Population – 5,4 million people  
 Area – 340 thousand square kilometers  
 Official languages – Finnish and Swedish  
 Capital - Helsinki



Famous Finnish people:

Teemu Selänne, a hockey player. He has played in the NHL and won the Stanley Cup and many other tournaments, including olympic and world championship games.

Kimi Räikkönen, an F1-driver. He has won the F1 world championship.

Jean Sibelius, a music composer. He is a big part the identity and culture of Finland. His biggest pieces are Finlandia and his seven symphonies.

Darude, a DJ. Known from his hit "Sandstorm" from 1999, but he still makes music.





## TEN FACTS ABOUT VEIKKOLA



1. A bit over 5000 people live in Veikkola
2. Veikkola has two schools
3. In Veikkola school, we have about 700 students.
4. Veikkola school was originally built in 1899, but the new building was built in 2004.
5. Veikkola has a local magazine called "Kylänraitti"
6. In Veikkola, we have our own football-team, called "FC Wild" and the team owns a football field called "VFK"(Veikkolan futis kenttä)
7. Veikkola's postal code is 02880
8. Veikkola has a cafe called "Cafe Pikkirilli" and pizza restaurant called "Med-life"



9. One of the most famous Finnish furniture designers, Eero Aarnio, lives in Veikkola.
10. Veikkola has at least 6 swimming beaches.

## A LITTLE QUIZ!

Can you guess these facts about Finland?

1. How many lakes are there in Finland?  
A) about 190 000  
B) about 19 000  
C) about 9 000

2. Which one of these is not a (official) sport in Finland?  
A) Wife carrying  
B) Swamp football  
C) Snow eating

3. Which one of these is not a Finnish invention?  
A) Clash of Clans  
B) Elevators  
C) Text messages

4. How many kilos of raw coffee does an average Finnish person consume per year?  
A) 6  
B) 12  
C) 16

### The answers:

1.-A! There are 187 888 lakes in Finland. Biggest of them is lake Saimaa, and it's area is 4 400 km<sup>2</sup>

2.-C! Snow eating is not a sport in Finland, but wife carrying and swamp football actually are. Other weird sports here are boot throwing and mosquito hunting, for example.

3.-B! Elevator is not a Finnish invention. Though a Finnish company "Kone" makes elevators all over the world. It is one of the biggest companies in Finland.

4.-B! A Finn consumes about 12 kilos of raw coffee every year. Finns consume 0,95% of the whole world's coffee beans.



## THE GOLDEN PIGEON

The Golden Pigeon is a symbol of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

In 2008, at the 60th anniversary of the United Nations Declaration, German artist Richard Hillinger carved a life-size statue of a pigeon. He created 30 such gilded statues, symbolizing the 30 human rights of this declaration.

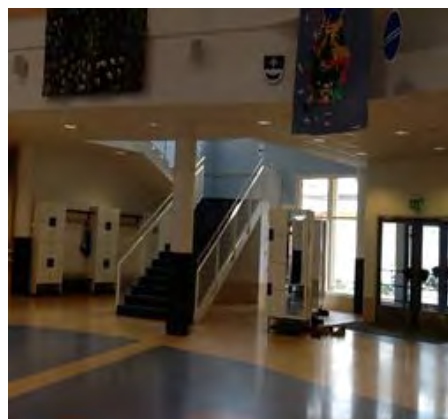
"Golden Pigeons" are going around the world. They are given to the people who contributed to the struggle for human rights; they visit the local governments, institutions and schools.

They have already been hosted by Pope Benedict XVI, the Dalai Lama, Chancellor Angela Merkel, Lech Walesa and Michael Gorbatschov and many more.



This Golden Pigeon has travelled to Veikkola school from our partner school in Bescanó, Catalunya (Spain). From our school the Golden Pigeon will continue its journey to another partner school, this time in Kaunas, Lithuania and then back to Radeberg, Germany from where it started its path. The Golden Pigeon reminds us that even small institutions are doing a lot of things towards human rights.

Veikkola school is one of the biggest schools in Finland. It is located about 30 kilometers from the capital city of Finland and it is in the center of Veikkola. The school has about 680 students and the school has grades from 1st to 9th grade.



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