

FIRST DAY IN EBENSEE

On 4 May we left at 7.00 a.m. from the courthouse in Prato. We were aware that the journey was going to be long, but it became even longer due to the traffic we encountered immediately after our departure.

On the way, we had the opportunity to get to know each other better, make new friends, and talk about the exciting journey we were about to take, also thanks to the viewing of a documentary on the deportation of Prato's citizens.

We arrived in the evening at 7 p.m. at the hostel in Bad Ischl. If everything had gone well, at 4 p.m. we would have had a visit to a museum called 'Zeitgeschichte Museum', but due to the delay we had to cancel.

After settling into our rooms, we took the bus back to Ebensee to meet the students from Wangen. Together with them we went to eat in a parish canteen where we were able to sample some of Austria's typical dishes, such as frankfurter or tomato soup. As it was getting late, the canteen cooks kindly drove us back to the hostel in their cars.

When we arrived at the hostel, we stayed in the common areas to get to know each other better and eventually went to sleep curious about what we would do in the coming days.

Although we were forced to change our plans due to the traffic, we appreciated the chance to immerse ourselves in Austrian culture and start getting to know the other students with whom we would be going on this trip.

