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Dear Friends,

Smolyan is beautiful! I think the word "beautiful" reflects my feeling about your culture, history and natural beauty.

We were greeted in Smolyan with bread served by students wearing beautiful traditional Bulgarian costumes. I must say that your school is amazing! It's big and well equipped. I was really impressed by huge stained glass windows. The most enjoyable moment of the day for me was the "music" lesson. We could listen to bagpipe music and we could try playing it too! The busy day ended with visit in planetarium and to "Pure Heart" Club.

During the second day of the visit we were visiting enormous caves. The sights in the Yagodina Cave were amazing! I wasn't brave enough to visit Devil's Throat Cave. The name itself was scary itself. We had lunch in Shiroka Laka – a small and charming village. We visited an enormous music school where all the folk music stars originate from. The sounds, dancing and costumes made a big impression on me!

The next day we went to Zlatograd where we visited an ethnological complex. I personally enjoyed the old school with antique stationery. And I fascinated with the process of making traditional Bulgarian coffee. It was a great show!

On Thursday we had an opportunity to ride a horse which kids enjoyed the most. That day we had lunch on Snejanka tower -2600 meters above the sea level. The view was breathtaking!

The visit ended on Friday. The ceremony was lovely. We could admire your students dancing and singing talents!

I would like to thank all the staff who made sure our stay was so nice and joyful!

Thank you very much Bulgarian friends,

Aldona Tadla, POLAND