ALICE SPRINGS LANGUAGE CENTRE

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SPAIN STUDY TOU

Walking Tour, Madrie





Alhambra, Granada



ADVENTURE OF A LIFETIME

During the first 2 weeks of term 3, the Alice Springs Language Centre hosted its first educational study tour to Spain for students studying Spanish at Centralian Middle School and Centralian Senior College. The group of 8 students were accompanied by Maria Monsalve and Brenda Austen for the 14 day trip which included stops in Madrid, Toledo, Seville and Granada. Students were encouraged to put their language skills to the test for everyday activities such as ordering meals, navigating the cities of Spain and communicating with their host families. It was great to see the students actively using their Spanish language skills.

The tour started in Madrid where students visited Palacio Real, the official home of the Spanish royal family before exploring the CBD and visiting local attractions such as Puerta del sol, La Gran Vía and the Armory Museum.

The students enjoyed a guided day tour to the beautiful World Heritage site of Toledo, learning about the rich culture and history of the city. They visited the famous Toledo Cathedral followed by a trip the lookout and River Tajo.

The group continued their journey by train to Seville, where students met their host families with whom they would spent the next 6 nights. During the homestay program, students had the opportunity to experience traditional Spanish life, including afternoon siesta and traditional home cooking.

Students were challenged to use their Spanish language skills as many of the host families spoke little English!

The following day the students began their language lessons at Seville Enforex School. Spending 3 hours a day studying Spanish, the classes where fantastic and students were able to practice their skills to buy items at the local market.

Over the next week, students participated in activities organised by the school such as Salsa and Bachata dance lessons, movie showings, orientation walks of the city and a day tour to Santa Cruz neighbourhood.

While in Seville, the group also visited many cathedrals, plazas and museums while wandering through the city. A particular highlight was the Flamenco Dance Museum and performance as well as the bullfighting arena.



Royal Palace





Santa Cruz



Enforex School Rooftop, Seville









Plaza de España



The last destination for the students was Granada, a city known for its historical architecture and many cultural attractions. The students visited Alhambra, a world heritage palace and fortress of the Moorish monarchs of Granada and walked around the CBD.

Throughout the study tour, students had many opportunities to challenge themselves and gain a new appreciation for different cultures and lifestyles.

Overall the trip was a huge success and enormously valuable for language students to practice their language skills and to immerse themselves in the culture of Spain.

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Toledo









Seville



La Alhambra, Granada







Seville

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