

# Pori, Finland

## Welcome to Pori, Finland

**On the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2017 our guests arrived in Finland and for most of them it was the first time in our country. The students and the staff of Porin Kristillinen koulu had wonderful time with you and here are some memories we want to share with you.**



### Students' corner

Thanks for coming to Finland. The guests came from Greece, Spain, the Netherlands, Northern Ireland and Sweden.

By Aksel and Roope the 6th grade

We have got new friends from the Netherlands and Northern Ireland.

We were watching ice hockey yesterday and we were in Huikee climbing park and swimming.

We went to Kirjuri park and danced with the teachers from Greece. It has been a nice week.

By Jonathan and Oliwer, the 6th grade

Thank you for coming to Finland! We really enjoyed the time that we had. We had really fun and beautiful time with you and we wish we will see again.

By Kerttu ja Enni the 6th grade

### Facts about Pori

- Pori is a city on the west coast of Finland.
- Our population is 84,779.
- Our city's Latin name is Arctopolis which means "Bear city".
- Pori has burnt down and it has been rebuilt nine times (1571-1852)
- Our mayor is Aino-Maija Luukkonen
- Pori is well known for Pori Jazz. It's a huge jazz festival which lasts for a week. It drives lots of tourists here.
- Our president's wife Jenni Haukio is from Pori.



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**Being a host family makes it possible to spend more time with the guests. It is also a possibility to learn more from other cultures and people in a new way. At the same time you can make friends for a lifetime!**

Our family was hosting two girls from Northern Ireland, Haley and Grace. On Monday we went swimming with other host families and their guests. On Tuesday we were in Adventure Park Huikee. It is a place where you can adventure in nature and between and on the trees. It was fun! On Wednesday we went to the ice hockey game. It was also my first time. On Thursday we had a little party at our home because it was our last evening together. All Irish girls and some Finnish pupils from the 5-6<sup>th</sup> grades were in the party. On Friday we had to say goodbye to each other.



by Viveka Heikkinen



## Yyteri

Yyteri is a district and a beach in the city of Pori. It is located about 17 km away from the centre bordering the Baltic Sea. In summer it's a very popular place for swimming because the beach is about 6 km.



## An adventure park **Huikee**

Huikee is place located in Yyteri. It is an adventure park where people can climb in the trees. The rope track is built on the trees at 3-13 meters and it is 1,5 kilometers in length overall. There are over 84 different kinds of challenges in the track and you move there by climbing, crawling, sliding or balancing on the trees trying to get over the obstacles.

