

Realschule auf dem Röddenberg School, Osterode am Harz, Germany visits Harmonize Academy, Liverpool 31st May 2026 – 6th June 2026.

Harmonize Academy Liverpool had the pleasure of hosting a group of staff and students from Real Schule auf dem Roddenberg, Germany. The visit provided an excellent opportunity for cultural exchange, educational collaboration, and the development of international friendships. Throughout the week, students participated in a variety of academic workshops, classroom experiences, and educational visits across Liverpool. During their stay, the visiting students took part in several engaging workshops designed to develop their skills, confidence, and teamwork.

Maths Countdown Competition

One of the highlights of the week was the Maths Countdown Competition. Students worked individually and in teams to solve numerical challenges under time pressure. The activity encouraged logical thinking, problem-solving, and healthy competition while promoting collaboration between German and British students.

English Language Workshop

The English Language Workshop provided an opportunity for students to strengthen their communication skills through speaking, listening, reading, and writing activities. The sessions focused on practical language use and encouraged students to interact confidently with their peers in English.

Drama Workshop

Students also participated in a Drama Workshop where they explored performance techniques, improvisation, and creative expression. Through group activities and short performances, students developed confidence, communication skills, and teamwork.

Lesson Observations

Throughout the week, the visitors attended a range of lessons at Harmonize Academy. These classroom experiences allowed students to compare educational approaches in Germany and the United Kingdom while gaining insight into daily school life in Liverpool.

City Exploration

A key aspect of the exchange programme was exploring Liverpool's rich history, culture, and community. Students visited Liverpool's famous Chinatown, one of the oldest Chinese communities in Europe. The visit provided valuable insight into the city's multicultural heritage and enabled students to learn about Chinese culture and its contribution to Liverpool's identity.

The group explored Liverpool's historic waterfront and docks area, learning about the city's maritime history and its significance as a major international port. Students enjoyed views of the waterfront while gaining a deeper understanding of Liverpool's role in global trade and migration.

A bowling session provided a fun and relaxed environment for students to socialise and strengthen friendships. The activity encouraged teamwork, communication, and friendly competition among participants.

Visit to Everton Free School

Students visited Everton Free School where they learned about another educational setting within Liverpool. The visit allowed students to meet staff and learners, compare school systems, and discuss educational opportunities and experiences.

Mersey Ferry Tour

The Mersey Ferry Tour was one of the most memorable experiences of the week. Students enjoyed spectacular views of Liverpool's skyline while learning about the history of the River Mersey and its importance to the region's development.

Cultural Exchange and Personal Development

The exchange programme enabled students from both schools to develop intercultural understanding and broaden their perspectives. Through shared activities, workshops, and social events, students built lasting friendships and gained greater appreciation of different cultures, languages, and educational systems.

The visit of Realschule auf dem Roddenberg to Harmonize Academy Liverpool was a highly successful and rewarding experience for everyone involved. The combination of academic workshops, classroom participation, cultural visits, and social activities created a rich and memorable programme that benefited both the visiting and host students.

The week strengthened the partnership between the two schools and provided valuable opportunities for learning, friendship, and cultural understanding. Harmonize Academy looks forward to continuing this international collaboration and visiting Realschule auf dem Roddenberg in 2027.



Arrival at Manchester Airport



Welcome meeting with the Principal Mrs Marie McConville

School tour led by Vice Principal, Mr Carl Parkinson





English workshop led by Mrs Hollie Jones (Head of English)



English workshop led by Ms Sam Person English Teacher



Drama workshop led by Becky Smith (Drama Teacher & Head of Lancaster House)

A visit to Everton Free School Liverpool





Group discussion session led by Assistant Principal, Mr Karo Onowighose



Students from Realschule auf dem Röddenberg School, Osterode am Harz, Germany,



Students participating during English & Drama workshops



Certificates presentation led by Assistant Principal, Mr Karo Onowighose







Selection of photographs with students during the week's event





Goodbye Assembly & Departure from Liverpool Lime Street train station.

Auf Wiedersehen



