

# internationalism@springwood

## ERASMUS PLUS+

Erasmus+ provides opportunities for over four million Europeans to study, train, gain work experience and volunteer abroad. Erasmus+ also support transnational partnerships among Education, Training, and Youth institutions and organisations to foster cooperation and bridge the worlds of Education and work in order to tackle the skills gaps we are facing in Europe.

Springwood High School hosted five visiting teachers from Germany, France and Iceland from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> November 2014.



This was a preparatory meeting preparing a proposal for an international cross curricular project.



The aim is to facilitate students and staff to visit the four countries, during the academic years 2015 to 2017 and participate in a week's organised activity at each venue. This project is aimed to develop, transfer and implement innovative practices between the four countries (England, Iceland, Germany and France). Together, the four schools will help ensure that their students get the skills they need to succeed in today's world.

There is a common theme, "Healthy Living" with each country organising projects relating to a particular aspect and traditions of their country. A

wide range of students will be involved with intermediary activities, organisation of the project in England and hosting opportunities. It is anticipated that local businesses and organisations will also be involved to some degree.

If the proposal is successful, each participating school will gain funding to enable the visits to these European countries to happen.

This is an exciting opportunity and the results of the project will be disseminated to other pupils, staff, feeder schools, local community and other interested parties. Hopefully, this is the first of many ventures in the future.