

# FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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### Summary

The “Food for Thought” is a school partnership project, approved and financed by the European Commission within LLP, subsectoral programme Comenius, that brings together nine European schools from Denmark, England, Italy, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Turkey, and Wales.

Our mix of partner schools reflects the diversity within the European Union. This partnership includes brand new private schools and established public schools from small rural communities to urban capital cities.

Students will discover, study and share information about food, climate and traditions in all of our partner countries. They will use conventional and new technologies to compare temperature readings over two years, produce a multilingual dictionary of weather terms, grow local produce to make their own dinner, make a calendar of international festivals, a picture

cookery book of traditional recipes, and finally produce a healthy lifestyle guidebook based on proper eating and exercise.

Regular meetings of teachers will ensure appropriate planning and evaluation at every stage. These will also enable a thorough understanding of European education systems.

The “Food for Thought” project will not only benefit each school but also their associated local communities.

As our pupils will gain a greater understanding of food production and preparation, the knowledge of these young Europeans will directly filter upwards through family, local and international communities creating a healthier generation of Europeans.

Mrs Shan Stapley from Barker’s Lane Community School, Wrexham, Wales, United Kingdom is the coordinator of the whole project.

### Objectives

1. To encourage students to be aware of and value cultural and linguistic diversity in Europe
2. To promote students personal and professional development in order to become a healthy, active European citizen
3. To encourage foreign language learning and sharing through the use of new technologies
4. To enhance the pedagogy of all participating schools
5. To become aware of the different climate and how this may affect lifestyles within Europe



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## Partner Schools

1. Barker's Lane Community School, Wrexham, Wales, United Kingdom, coordinator
2. Circolo Didattico Rignano sull'Arno, Italy
3. Colegio Rincón-Añoretas, Spain
4. St Martin's Garden Primary School, Bath, England, United Kingdom
5. Skolen Ved Bülowsvej, Frederiksberg, Denmark
6. Osnovna Šola Fram, Slovenia
7. Özel Karşıyaka Yamanlar İlköğretim Okulu, Izmir, Turkey
8. Szkoła Podstawowa im. Lecha Bądkowskiego w Luzinie, Poland
9. Școala „Matei Basarab”, Târgoviște, Romania

## Mini - Projects

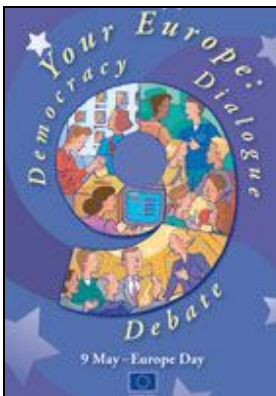
Mini-Project	Date of Activity	Lead Country	Support Country
Climate	09.08 - 06.10	Spain	Wales
Picture weather dictionary in 9 languages	09.08 - 01.09	Romania	England
Grow your own Dinner	02.09 -06.09	Wales	Slovenia
Celebrating Food	09.09 - 01.10	Poland	Turkey
Healthy Lifestyle	02.10 - 06.10	Italy	Denmark

## Website

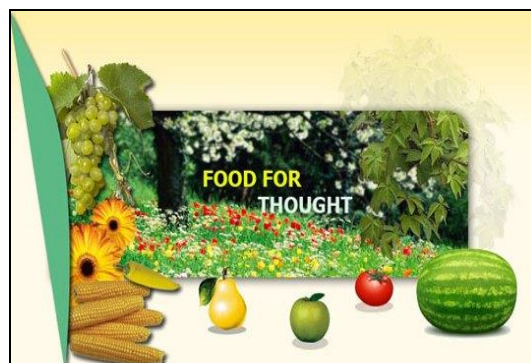
Information about our project and about the advancement of our work can be seen on the website of our project.

<http://www.scuolernanoincisa.it/foodforthought.htm>

We will also publish a Newsletter after each important event such as a project meeting or the completion of an end product.



9<sup>th</sup> May is Europe Day  
9 is also the number of  
participant schools and  
countries in the project  
"Food for Thought" !



## Malaga Meeting

Our first project meeting took place between 7<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at Colegio Rincón-Añoretas, Malaga, Spain.

It was a great opportunity to meet peers from all eight partner schools, share ideas, plan our future work in detail, visit our Spanish partner school and learn about local culture.

Our Spanish partners welcomed us warmly and offered us a wonderful staying there.

We met the Spanish pupils, talked together, sang together, attended some classes in order to get to know about their educational system.



Wales



Italy



Spain



England



Denmark



Slovenia



Turkey



Poland



Romania

## The motto of the European Union

United in Diversity

Unita nella diversità

Unida en la diversidad

Forenet i mangfoldighed

Združena v raznolikosti

Zjednoczona w różnorodności

Unită în diversitate

This motto is so real.

Nine different schools from nine different countries, nine cultures, nine educational systems, lots of pupils and lots of teachers are working together sharing their differences and their similarities.

Pupils and teachers are happy to meet European colleagues, co-operate and try to improve education standards within Europe.

