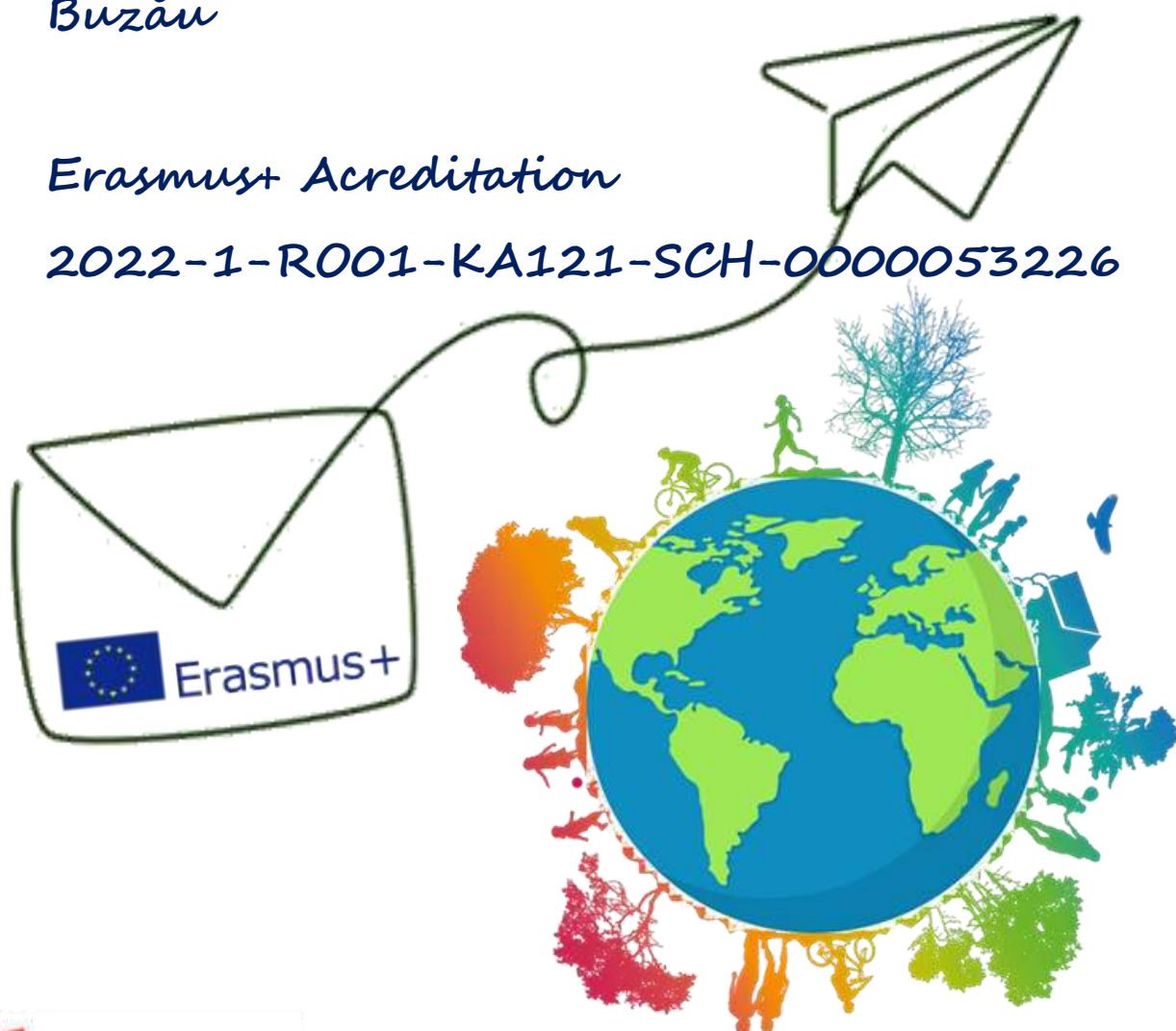


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SOME REVIEWS ABOUT OUR ERASMUS+ MOBILITY IN  
ANTALYA, TURKEY FROM ROMANIAN STUDENTS  
(12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> of June 2023)...

*Dear Turkish colleagues,*

*Be very proud! You have a very big and modern school where every student would be really interested to learn, great teachers and the last, but not least, a wonderful city. Antalya is a town with everything a tourist would look for: clean, natural and large beaches located right under impressive mountains, friendly people on the streets... We enjoyed every moment of our trip! – ROBERT BABA*



*Hello,*

*My name is Crina, I live in Magura and I hope that you will remain fascinated by the beauty of Buzau County as I was by the beauty of Antalya when you will come visiting my country. So I would like to present something about Buzau (...). – CRINA DOGARU*

*Hi,*

*My name is Stefan, and I visited Antalya this summer. Antalya is a very beautiful place, and it was amazing being there. Today, I'll tell you some things about the history of our school, in Magura, Buzau (...). – ȘTEFAN PANCHIOSU*

*Hello, I'm Saviana and I'm a student at the Magura secondary school in Buzau and I visited Antalya and I love it, but I hope that with the words I'm going to say you'll have the same opinion about Magura Buzau (...). – MĂCINIC SAVIANA*



## WHAT ABOUT OUR SCHOOL AND ITS HISTORY?

*Magura School is one of the oldest educational institutions in Buzau County. It is documented in 1838. On November 1, 1838, 17-year-old Aron Adam is mentioned as a teacher at Magura School. In 1887, the school received the name of Mihail Kogalniceanu, and in 1890, a new building with two classrooms was built, to which two more classrooms were added in 1922. In 1926, the school operated with five classrooms, and in 1948, the Magura Elementary School operated with two education cycles, later the preschool cycle was also organized. The old school entered a modernization process in the 2011-2012 school year and on December 6, 2012, the rehabilitated building was able to organize classes for the students of the local community again. In June 2017, following the national competition, it obtained the title of European School, entering the history of Buzau county as the first educational institution from the rural environment to obtain this recognition. Today, Magura Secondary School is a prestigious, modern and European School.*

*I hope you enjoyed reading the history of our school, and, have a nice day!*

– STEFAN PANCHIOSU



**HOW CAN WE PROTECT THE ENVIROMENT?**  
**WHICH ARE THE GIFTS FROM OUR PLANET**  
**LOCATED IN BUZAU COUNTY, ROMANIA?**  
**Let`s read some letters from Romanian students**  
**to the Earth and their**  
**Turkish parteners!**

➤ **Hydrography. Buzău River, a river of feelings**

*Dear friends,*

*My name is Raisa and I come from Romania. My country is located in the Eastern part of Europe and I live in Măgura, a small village near Buzău city. This area of the country is filled with blooming nature, forests, waters and amazing sights. I would like to tell you about Buzău river, the most important running water from Buzău county. It flows from the Carpathian Mountains, more exactly from Ciucaș Mountains and it runs into Siret, a bigger river. The river's old name is a greek one, "Mousaios". In the basin of the river, there are over 29 fish species, being a highly frequented fishing zone by the locals. It crosses 4 cities and has over 80 affluents. Along it's course it has two hydropower facilities and a great area for rafting.*

*Take care,*  
*Raisa.*  
– RAISA MIREA



## ➤ Christian Orthodox religion around Măgura, our native village

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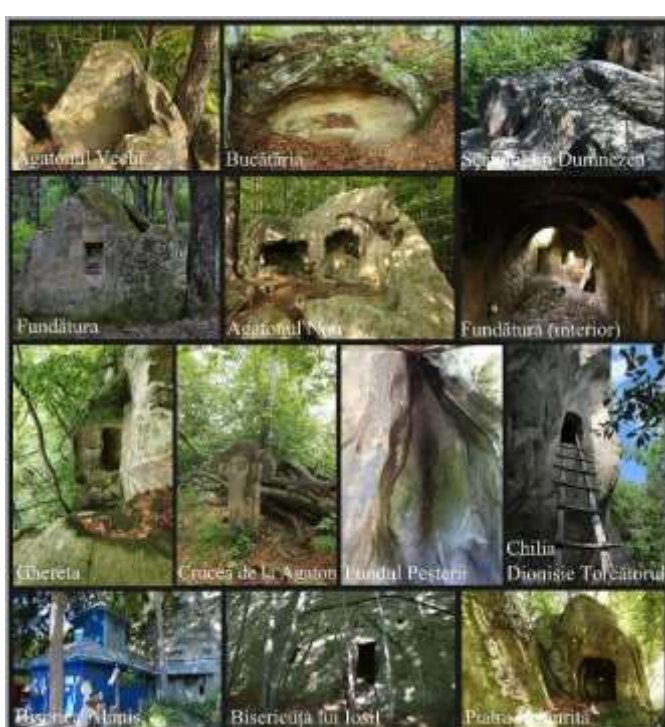
*Today I will present you a few things about Ciolanu Monastery.*

*Ciolanu Monastery is a monastery of Orthodox Christian monks in Buzău County, Romania, located on the southern slope of Ciolanu Hill, towards the Nișcov stream, in Tisău commune. In the immediate vicinity, on the meadows of the monastery, is placed the exhibition of the Open Air Sculpture Camp "Magura".*

*Historian Constantin C. Giurescu, in his History of Romanians, states that Ciolanu Monastery has existed since the time of Alexandru II Mircea (1568-1577), but without indicating the source.*

– RAREȘ LUNGU

## ➤ Schiturile Rupestre Bozioru, a land of legends



*Dear Earth,*

*First of all, thank you very much for all the gifts we have received from you! We can only thank you protecting and discovering in peace the places you have given us. I am sad because, as we can see, we are going to destroy everything and, in the same time, I am trying to enjoy every moment I can admire your beauties. Let`s follow what Winston Churchill was saying and everything will be better, but the most important advice is to notice the goodness: Solitary trees, if they grow at all, grow strong, where we are the trees.*

*Let me show you from my country where people`s thoughts and your power, dear Earth, have worked together for a big win.*

*Schiturile Rupestre Bozioru represent a hermitage complex dating back to pre-Christian times. On the walls of the caves there are many inscriptions in Cyrillic, crosses, different religious pictures etc. Therebefore, the stone settlements are dating from the Bronze Age, then being some shelters. There are nine stone caves here in total and the most significant of them is called Fundu Peșterii. It is a natural cave was*

*designed for living, being a prodigy in Romanian archeology and unique around Eastern Europe. Here initiations were made for young people who had to go to the war.*

*So I am inviting to visit Buzău County everyone who likes living in legends and misteries. Let`s explore all less know places! But if you come here, don`t forget: the Earth has given us a multitude of fantastic presents, so give it also a very big present protecting the environment.*

*Thanks and best wishes related to exploring the world,  
Robert*

– ROBERT BABA

### ➤ **Muddy Volcanoes, a special place around Europe**

*Dear friend,*

*I`m very excited to meet you. I am impatiently awaiting your arrival in Romania. There are so many things to see here, like the “Muddy Volcanoes”. But don`t worry, they`re not actual volcanoes.*

*They are located in the central part of the Subcarpathian Mountains, where nature has endowed the Buzoian hills with this special phenomenon. Mud volcanoes are actually small craters filled with liquid or viscous mud that erupt constantly. This is due to the natural gases that come to the surface and bring with them phreatic water mixed with clay.*

*From each volcano, liquid mud is ejected outwards in various forms and speeds. The show is really interesting! Obviously, like lava, this mud later forms the cone of the volcano and continues to trickle down everywhere. The shapes that emerge in this way, together with the desert area, create a celestial aspect. Everywhere there are earth dunes, traces of torrential rains and steppe; an atypical land where a western movie could be cast.*

*To not overload you with information, I`ll stop here. You`ll see them yourself when you get here!*

*Sending hugs,  
Ilinca*

– ILINCA BALCU



➤ **Which is one of the best monuments of our town?**

*Dear planet and dear friends,*

*I'm going to tell you about the "Mihai Viteazul Fountain"*

*One of the monuments that has become a representative tourist attraction for Buzău county has entered restoration. The fountain of Mihai Viteazul, a monument erected in 1985 in the village of Ciuta, Măgura villages, on the 375th anniversary of the passage of Mihai the Brave across the Buzăului Valley to Transylvania, will be partially rebuilt with Naeni stone.*

*The monument is a large, horizontally oriented, parallelepipedal concrete construction, on a massive plinth, covered with white Măgura stone slabs, on which are mounted bas-reliefs with the ruler Mihai the Brave in the central plane, with the ax in his raised left hand overhead, framed by groups of soldiers on horseback. Above the central figure is represented the emblem-effigy of the three countries united by the great ruler. Stylized floral elements are made on the back of the monument and a plaque with the following inscription is mounted: "The present monument was erected at the request of the citizens of Buzău County on the occasion of the 375th anniversary of the first political union of the Romanian countries Muntenia, Transylvania, Moldova, in the honor of the great voivode Mihai Viteazul and his glorious armies at the head of which in the fall of 1599 he crossed the Buzăului Valley towards Transylvania."*

*With love,  
from Saviana  
- SAVIANA MĂCINIC*



# What does protecting the environment mean in students' imagination?



– *Drawing created by MARIA PORCEANU*



– *Created by CRINA DOGARU*



– Created by SAVIANA MĂCINIC