

School trip to Mira de Aire Caves and the Geophysical and Astronomical Observatory of the University of Coimbra

On 24th April, we went on a school trip with the other Year 7 classes and some of our teachers.

We left school at quarter past seven in the morning. Before visiting the Mira de Aire Caves, we stopped at a petrol station for a short break. Then, we visited the caves, where we learned about rocks and minerals and discovered how stalactites are formed. We watched a video, attended a presentation, and took part in a guided tour inside the caves. It was very interesting to see everything up close.



At lunchtime, we had a picnic outside the caves and spent some time relaxing and chatting with our friends.

Later, we visited the Geophysical and Astronomical Observatory of the University of Coimbra. First, we explored a collection of scientific instruments from the 19th and 20th centuries used for astronomical and geophysical observation and measurement. In the planetarium, we watched a presentation that helped us understand how the Solar System works.



We got back to school at about half past seven in the evening.

It was a fun and educational day, and we learned a lot outside the classroom!