## Meeting with local authorities - Vik, Iceland 15th of June, 2017

Our teachers' team met with local authorities in June 2017. We presented our participation in the Erazmus+ project and our proposal which we did with our students who are involved in the R.E.S.P.E.C.T. programme.



The meeting was attended by our council leader Ásgeir Magnússon and five other members of our local municipality. We explained the aims of our project such as reducing or eliminating bullying in the school and increasing active student participation. We recommended appointing an individual to open a youth club. A youth club is a place where young people can meet and participate in a variety of activities. Many youth clubs are set up to provide young people with activities designed to keep them off the streets and out of trouble, and to give them a job and an interest in a pastime.

Our proposal was accepted and the following autumn our municipality advertised the position for someone to oversee the youth club. During these times, with many educated people choosing to work in the tourism and hospitality industries, we were fortunate to have one person express an interest in this position, but only a 0.2 FTE vacancy. This enthusiastic young person Ástþór has been organizing two evenings for two hours per week for 13-16 years students and one evening for two hours per week for 10-12 years kids. Students in our municipality take an eager part in these brief activities together. They have special evenings with multifarious activities. It is worth mentioning that they have raised money by selling lottery tickets for home baking. The

funds raised were used to visit a dance party organized by other youth clubs. We are looking forward to further collaboration.

Elín, Victoria and Rima

