

CHERNOBYL CHILDREN'S PROJECT (UK)

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Messages from Belarussian Mums and Children after their Holiday in UK

Anna and Anton, 2015



I would like to express my deep gratitude to the people who presented us with such a wonderful and unforgettable holiday! My son was so delighted with the trip – no words can describe his delight. When we are showing our photographs to friends and relatives now you cannot stop Anton talking about his trip. He is full of enthusiasm when he is talking about every trip. We have got so many impressions! I would also like to point out the attention and warmth with which our English hosts and friends met us. We felt their interest in our fate, we felt their warmth during all our visit. We have not expected such a warm and sincere welcome. Every family has become very dear to us. Thank you very much for this!

We liked the nature and all the places we visited. Unforgettable are our trips to the park “Wonderland”, to the caves in Buxton, to the Monkey Forest, to an old house, to the JCB farm. I personally was deeply impressed by the visit to the school and by the music lesson in which we actively participated. I am a teacher myself and it was very interesting for me to see an English school and how pupils/students are taught there.

Every trip was connected with a lot of emotions which words cannot describe. Our itinerary was very busy but everything was so captivating and educational! We, mothers, have got as many impressions as our children. And, probably, even more. This holiday was invigorative both morally and physically. Your attention and the beauty of the country, your love and warmth helped us recharge our batteries. Thank you very much. God bless you all in your noble work! God save you all!

Alena and Kyril, 2018



When our family learned about the trip to England, my child and I were very happy that we would be able to see England. We were a little worried by the forthcoming separation, as I was leaving my daughter behind who was missing me and her little brother.

Kyril's reaction to the trip was very positive. What he liked most was the fact his mother was going to be with him in England all the time.

The first impressions about the country were very positive. We were impressed by the beauty of English nature! We loved the families which hosted us! We found a common language very quickly. Our hosts are kind and wonderful people!

We had an extremely interesting programme! The events were planned in such a way that our children did not have time to feel bored. The children received an unusually enormous positive charge and a lot of positive emotions. It is all thanks to the tremendous work undertaken by the organisers and their absolute commitment to the work they do. I would like to say a VERY BIG THANK YOU to John and Julie. Thank you for showing to us the beauty of England, for acquainting us with the history of the country (the visit to Chatsworth impressed me personally very much). My son was in raptures over the rides in Alton Towers, Monkey Forest, the sea trip... We will remember all the days in England all our life!

KiryI felt very comfortable during the trip. The climate is very good for him. As he has a chronic catarrh – a consequence of his cancer – he did not have any cold while he was in England. I was very happy!!!

I liked all the food in England. Everything that our hosts cooked. Everything was new for us. Thank you very much for the unforgettable impressions, for love and care about our children. We came home several weeks ago but we remember our trip and our friends every day. Best wishes to Mark and Sue, Jake, Peter and Chris, John and Julie and everybody whom we met in England!

Masha, 2015

Hello, we are Masha's parents. We are very glad that we have an opportunity to send great thanks to you for this trip!

Before the trip, we worried a lot, because little time passed after the treatment, but we understood that for Masha it's a wonderful opportunity to make friends and learn how to communicate with peers, become more independent and, of course, to see the country with a rich and interesting history, to meet new people.

When we met Masha at the airport, the first phrase was "I want to go back." In general, our shy, quiet child had become active, sociable and made a lot of new friends. All the way from the airport to our town (it takes 4 hours), we were listening to her about her impressions without interruption. There were a lot of events that impressed her, but most of all Masha was admired by the richness of nature, delicious air (yes, exactly delicious) and people. We constantly hear what cheerful sociable and kind people the English are. Masha told me a lot how good and comfortable she felt in the family for two weeks, she got accustomed to the family that even didn't want to move to the school, but there was great time too! The preparation and rehearsal for the concert brought a lot of positive impressions (before she had always said that she was shy to perform, but she liked it much), especially how emotionally and kindly English friends accepted their performance.



And you were able to do what we had not been able to, it is to persuade our child to overcome her fear and get on a bike! She stopped feeling shy to play active games, communicate with people and generally she broke a lot of internal barriers.

Masha has recently been checked-up, everything is good. Now we continue home education, but we hope that the next year she will go to school.

Once again, thank you very much, to the host Family Nina, Ian and the girls and to all people who gave their attention, love and care to our children. Thanks you very much, Masha learned to live a normal happy life, which every child should have.

Dmitry and Svetlana

Veronica, 2016

I spent a wonderful part of my summer holiday in England. It was the most unforgettable summer full of great adventures that I have ever had. The program was so full of events and trips that sometimes we came back home very tired, but still with a lot of positive emotions.

I find trips to castles the most interesting part, as we could learn the history of this wonderful country. I felt myself a little bit confused in community where all speak in another language at first. But then I felt myself more confident thanks to people who were there. English people are very communicative and friendly. I liked being part of their company. If I made a mistake, they corrected it and helped me. And if we didn't understand each other we could explain with gestures.

Thanks a lot to family who hosted us. These two weeks were amazing. Jill is very good at cooking. John was very nice to us and was inquiring whether we had everything we needed. Also I want to say thanks to Julie, who spent a lot of time with us, we made a real friend with her. We even let us into a few secrets 😊 Thanks to Allan and Wendy, who elated me during a cycling trip. Thanks to their support I came to finish. I spend a wonderful birthday in England, which gave me a lot of pleasant emotions.

I liked all moments which I spend both in family and in Springfield. I have met a lot of wonderful people. This trip helped me to found new friends, with whom we are still in touch. It would be great to visit England again one day and to see all of you! Thanks a lot to everyone!



Egor, 2017



Hello! The trip to England was the biggest event in my life. Every day was full of impressions. I want to say thank you from all my heart and I will never forget what you have done for me. One of the memorable day was the visiting to the mayor, I learned a lot of interesting facts about England, I held the gold chain and took the photo with the mayor. I was sitting at the mayor's chair. It was very cool. The trip to Drayton Manor also was exciting and full of fun, at first I was afraid of big rides, but then despite this I went to rides and it was awesome. At many rides I was for the first time and especially I remember the free fall. I wasn't good at laserQuest but I really liked it, running, shooting, trying to avoid been shot . It was fun. At Rolls-Royce we were told how the jet engine is working, we even saw it, then we had competition about making the small copy of the jet engine. I was at the fourth place. I liked my trip to England, thank you very much.

Dasha, 2017

I want to say thank you very much a million times to you for what you have done for us. Thank you for invitation and opportunity to see your great country. Thank you for all activities. We had never were bored. Thank you for all your presents. Thank you for delicious food. I tried a lots of new, tasty and unusual dishes which we do not have in Belarus. Thank you for the opportunity to learn English. Thank you for people whom I have met thanks to you. Thank you for your patience. You are amazing people. It was the best summer in my life!!! A lot of my dreams came true. I will never forget you and this trip. England will always be in my heart. Thanks for everything!!!

