Twinspace and Collaboration in eTwinning Projects

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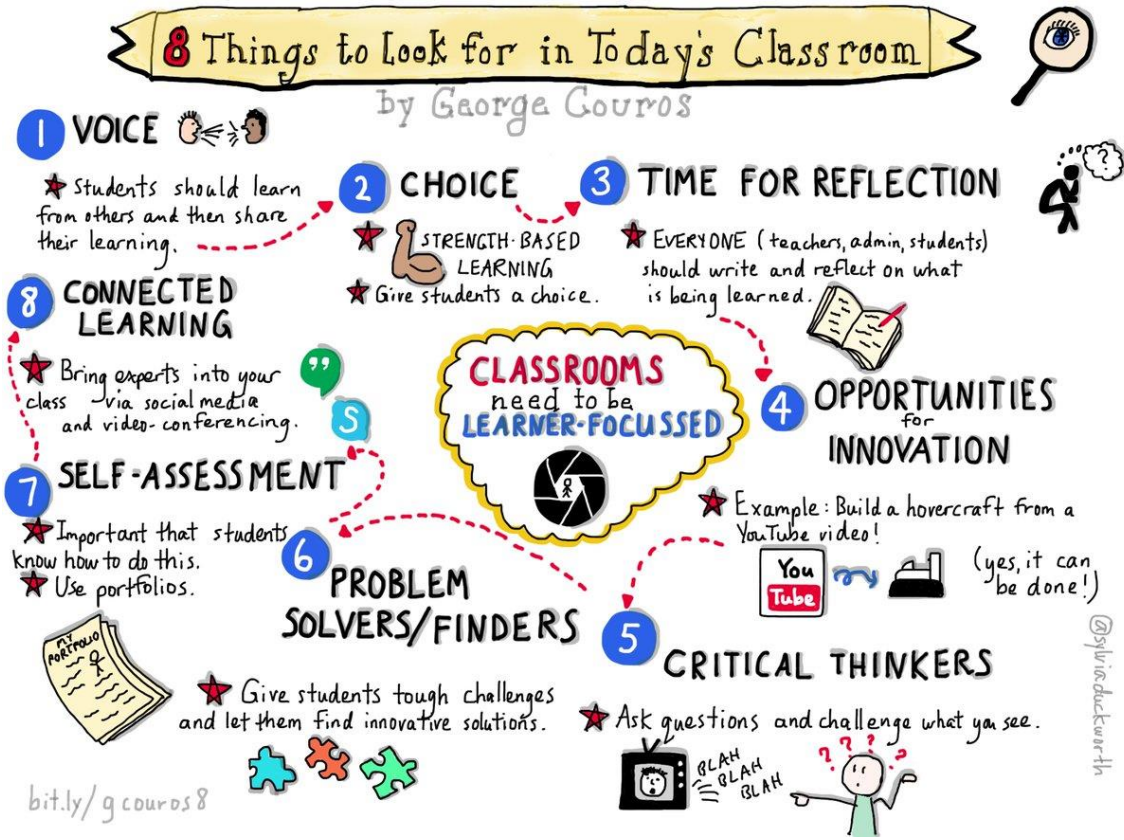

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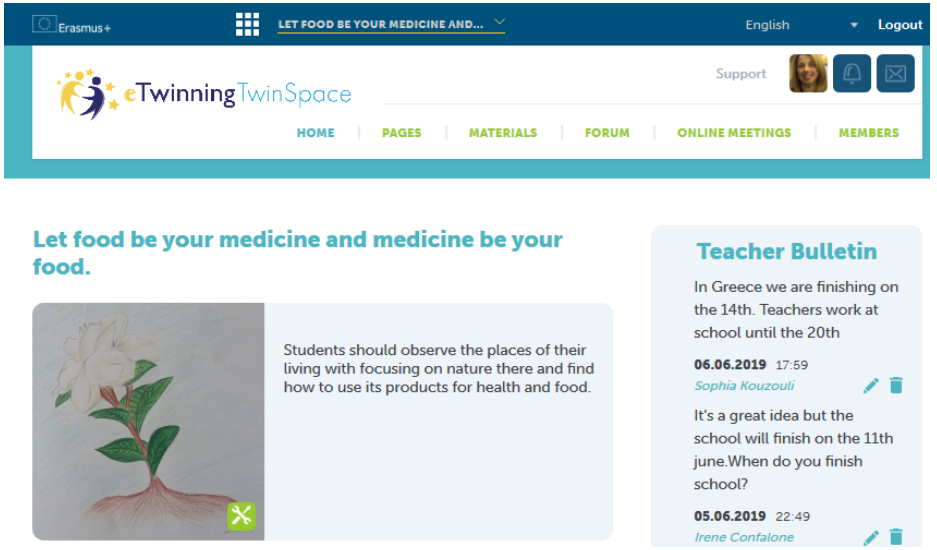
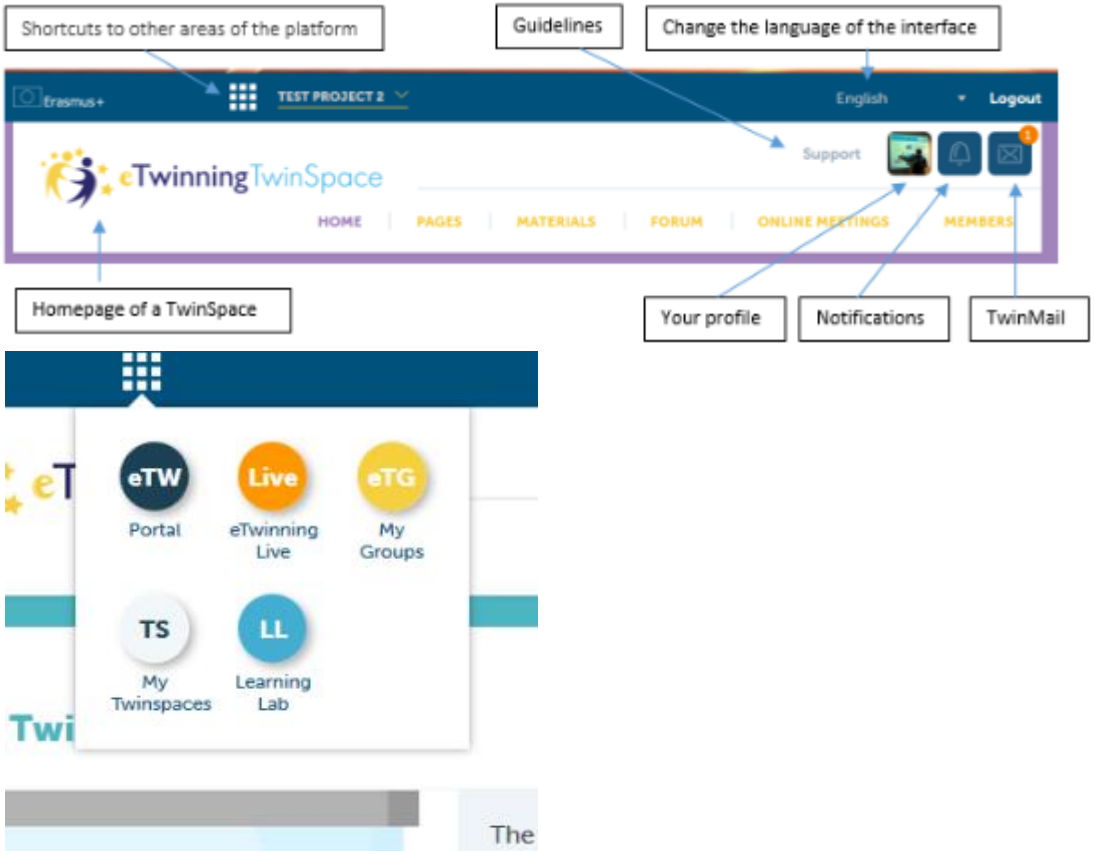
Twinspace

- A safe platform
- Teachers and students work together
- Users can access their project's TwinSpace from projects' profiles in eTwinning Live or from the eTwinning portal



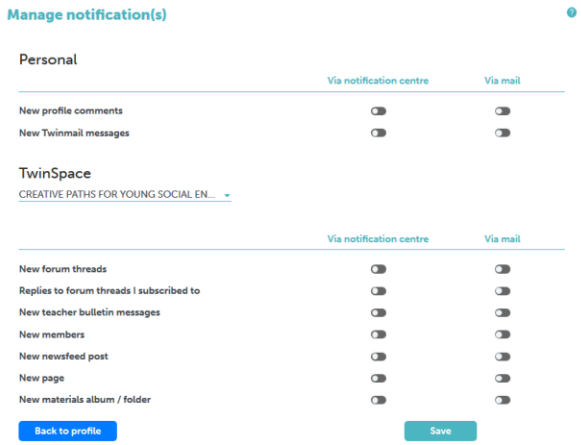
Twinspace

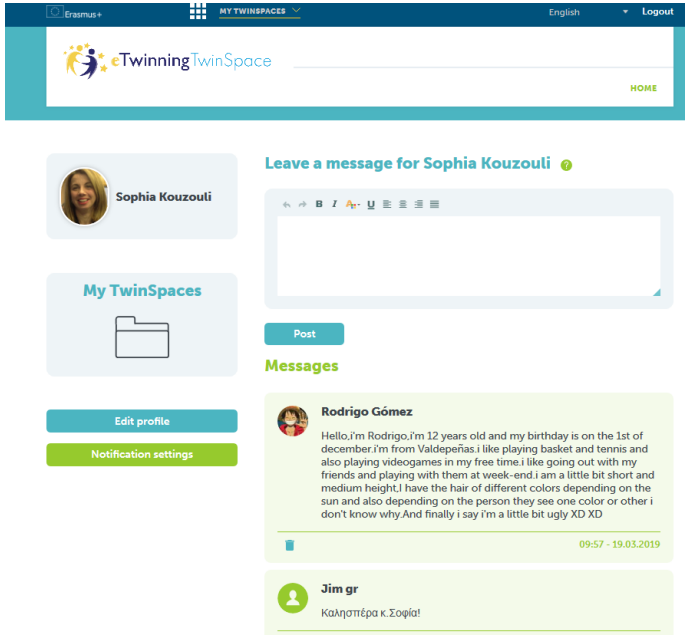
- From any page in the TwinSpace a drop down menu on the top-bar allows you to jump to the other areas of the platform



Twinspace

- Select TwinSpace
- Edit your profile
- Select means of receiving notifications





Homepage

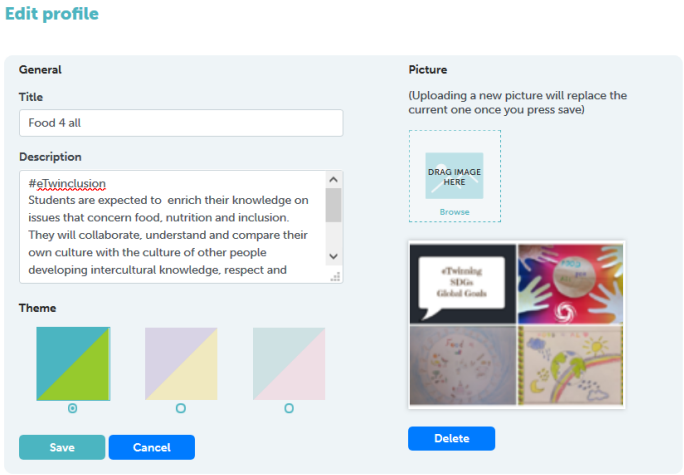
- Updates and comments by all other members
- Public
- Only users' posts are published (no comments, no likes)
- Users' names cannot be 'clicked' to go to their profile
- View, comment on and like posts from project's members

- Access the Teacher Bulletin
- Access the Instant Messenger from the 'Online Members' box
- Join the chat room
- Organise an online meeting
- Create a thread

Customise TwinSpace

- Edit TwinSpace settings

- ✓ In the “Settings” page users can: Change the image of the TwinSpace.
- ✓ Change the name and the description of the TwinSpace.
- ✓ Change the TwinSpace colours.
- ✓ Click save to “theme”.

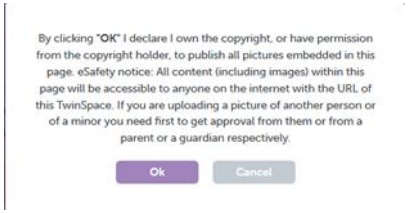


Pages

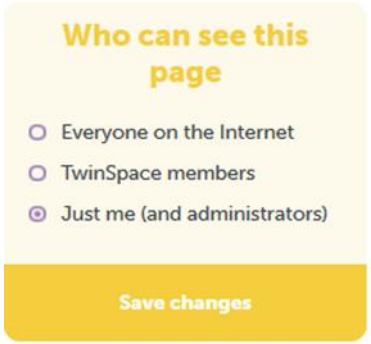
- Share content
- Organise activities
- Upload materials

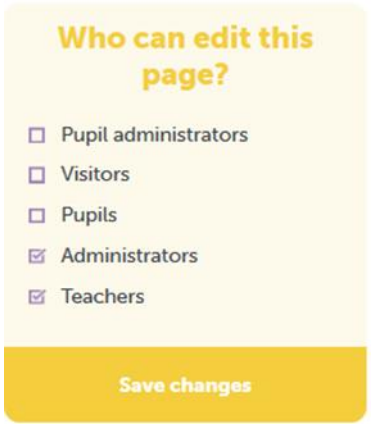
Create a page

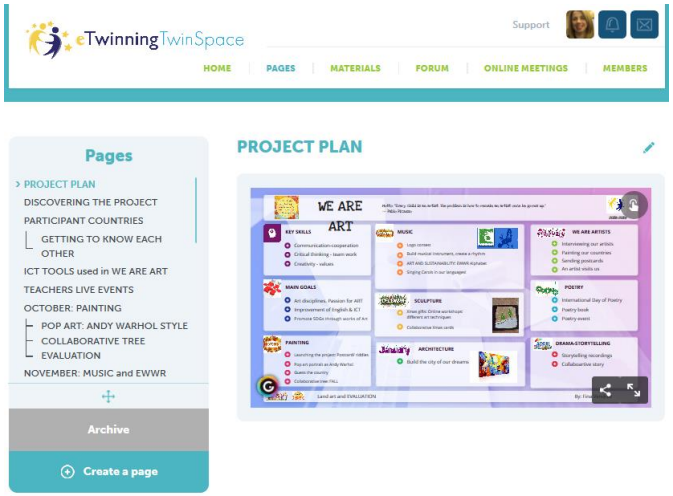
- **who can see this page?**
  - Just me (and administrators): **draft**
  - Everyone on the internet: copyright, e-safety rules

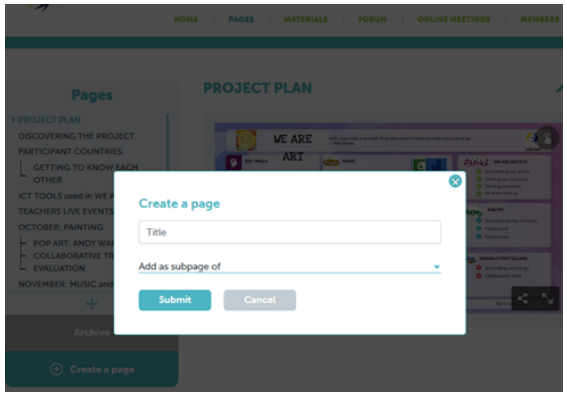


- **who can edit this page?**



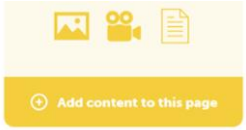


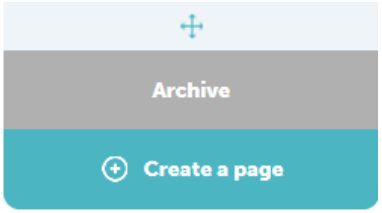


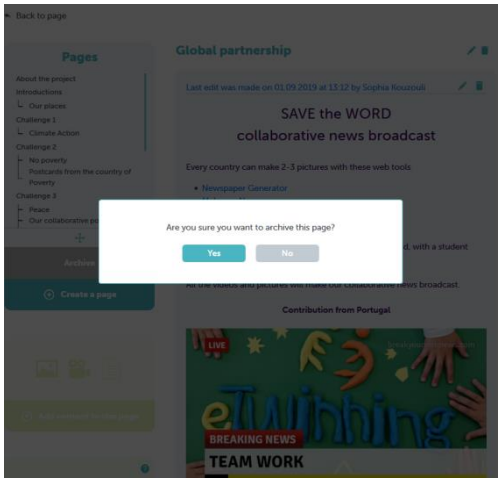


Pages

- They contain different features:
  - **Content:** Text-Images-Videos
  - **A TwinBoard:** an interactive board where you can post text, images, or embed videos
  - **A poll:** survey opinions
- They cannot be deleted completely
- They can be re-ordered
- They can be archived (click on the trash bin next to the page's title)
- They can be restored







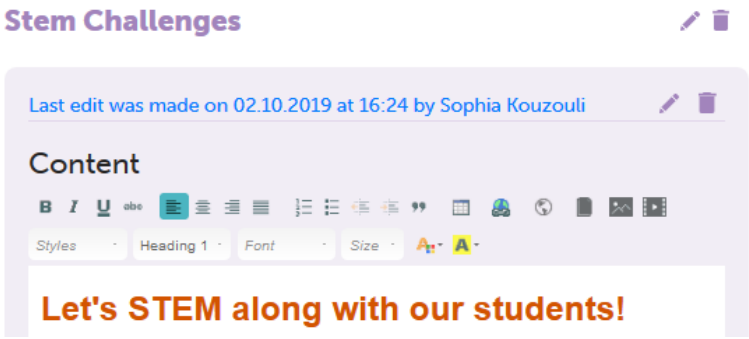
Pages

Embedding tools

- For Padlet, ThingLink, Prezi, Slideshare, Calameo, issuu, genially and dotstorming use the embed code

- For learning apps, storyjumper, padlet, doodle, google spreadsheet and google doc use the url in the src box of the iframe icon

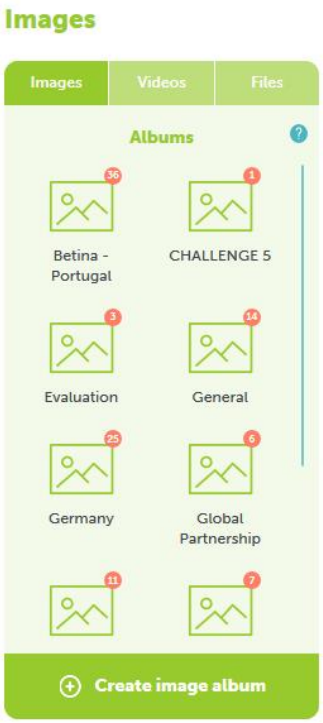
- Other tools: use a screenshot and the link icon

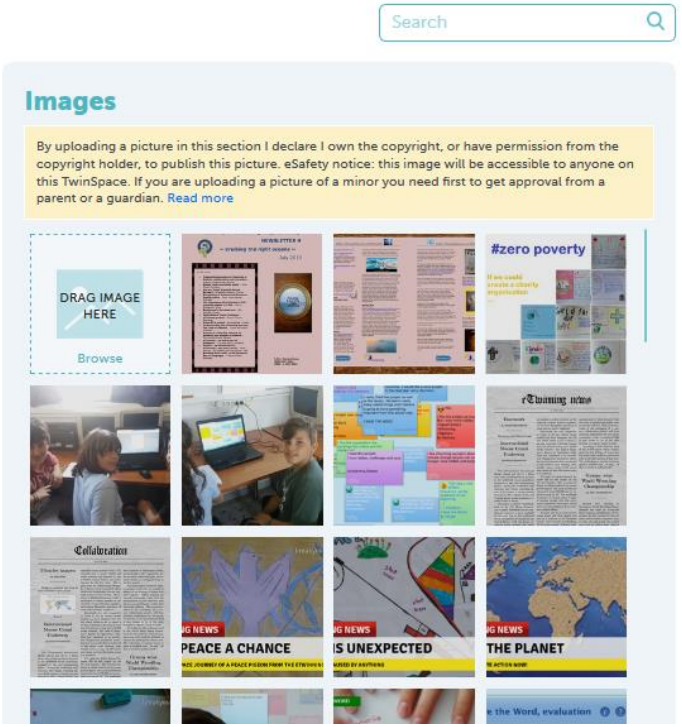


Materials

Repository of the project's images, videos and files

- If we delete something from here, it will be gone also from the page
- Edit - delete them by hovering above them
- Check if you can use pictures (have the copyright) and the permission of the people depicted





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Images

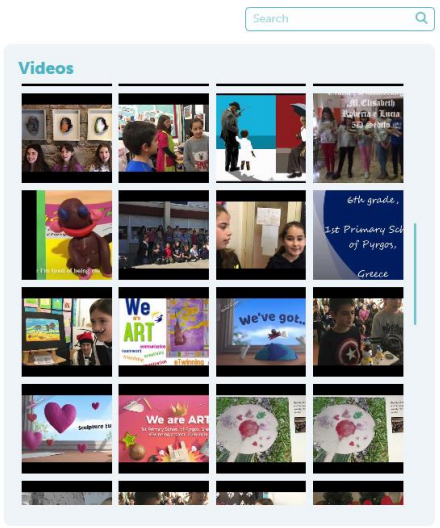
- ✓ 2 MB maximum
- ✓ Organize them in albums

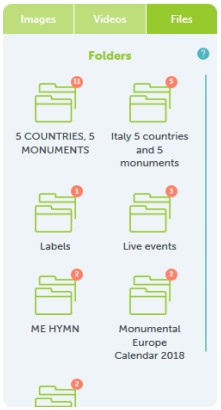
Videos

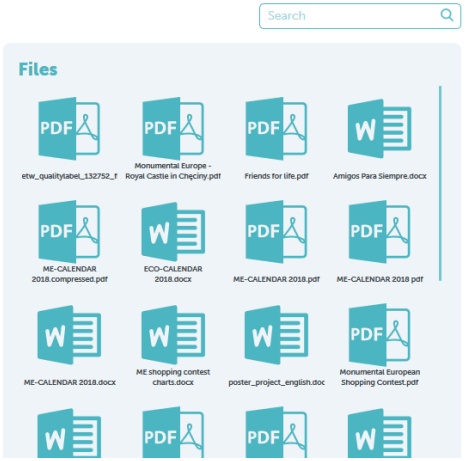
- ✓ Click on the Add video and insert the video URL you want to upload DailyMotion, Vimeo, YouTube

Files

- ✓ Document (Word/PDF), 20 MB maximum
- ✓ A variety types of files







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Practice on Test TwinSpace

Task 1

Use the usernames and passwords to have access to the project Test West in Ileia

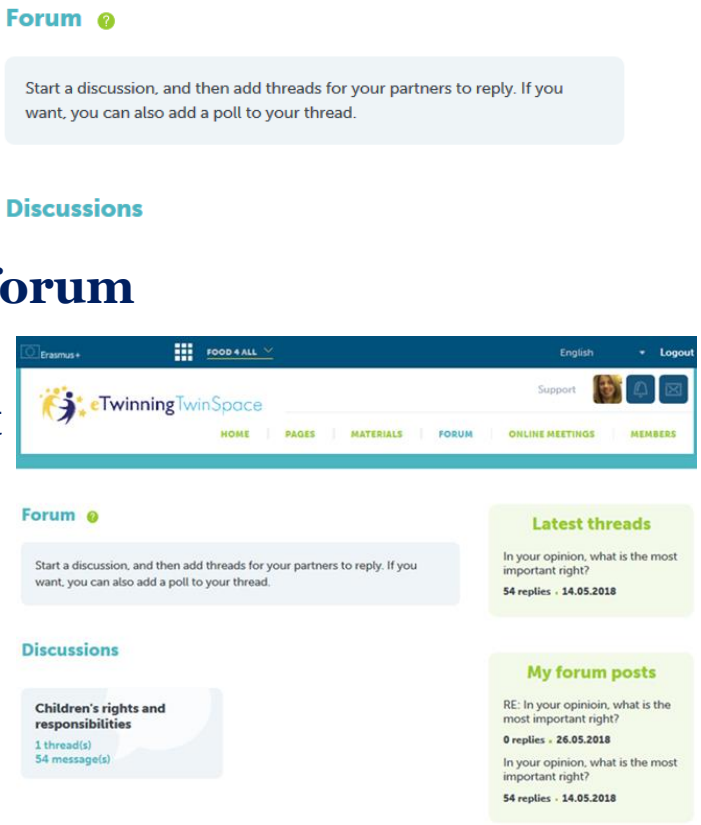
- Post a comment on the homepage
- Select the STEM page and upload a picture or a video with which you can start familiarizing your students with STEM

Test West in Ileia

17.01.2018

Forum

1. **Start a forum discussion**
   - ❑ Generate communication between Ss
   - ❑ Require Ss to reply to other students' posts
2. **Teach students how to take part in the forum**
   - ❑ Familiarize students with the foru
   - ❑ Provide instructions on how to post and use it
3. **Bring the forum into the classroom**
4. **Use the forum pedagogically**
   - ❑ encourage collaboration
   - ❑ practise writing
   - ❑ an alternate method of motivating Ss to participate

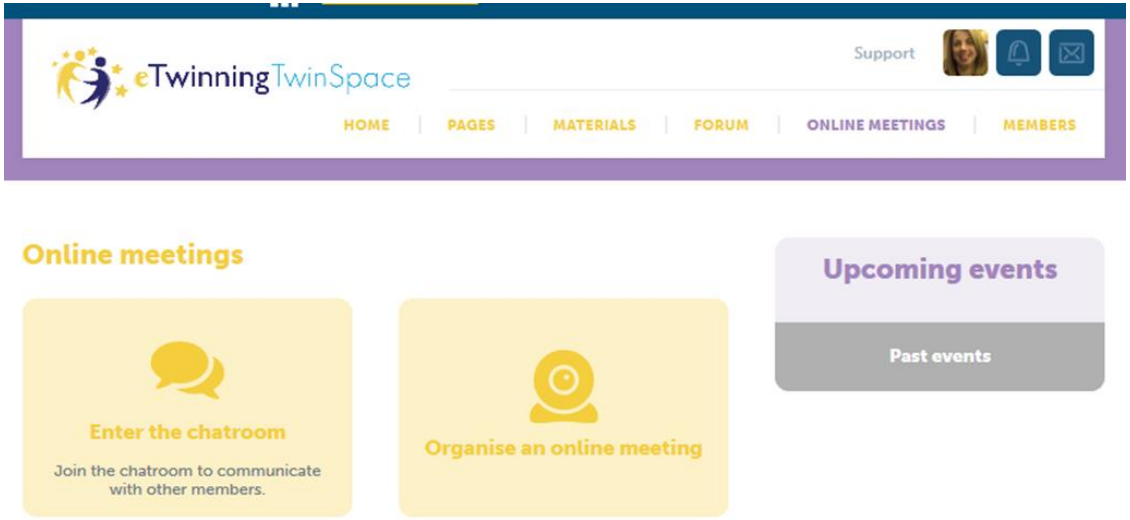


Workshop

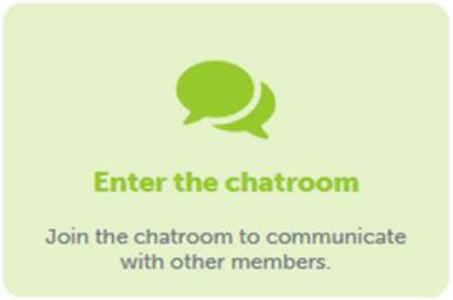
Tools for **synchronous communication**

- **Chat room**

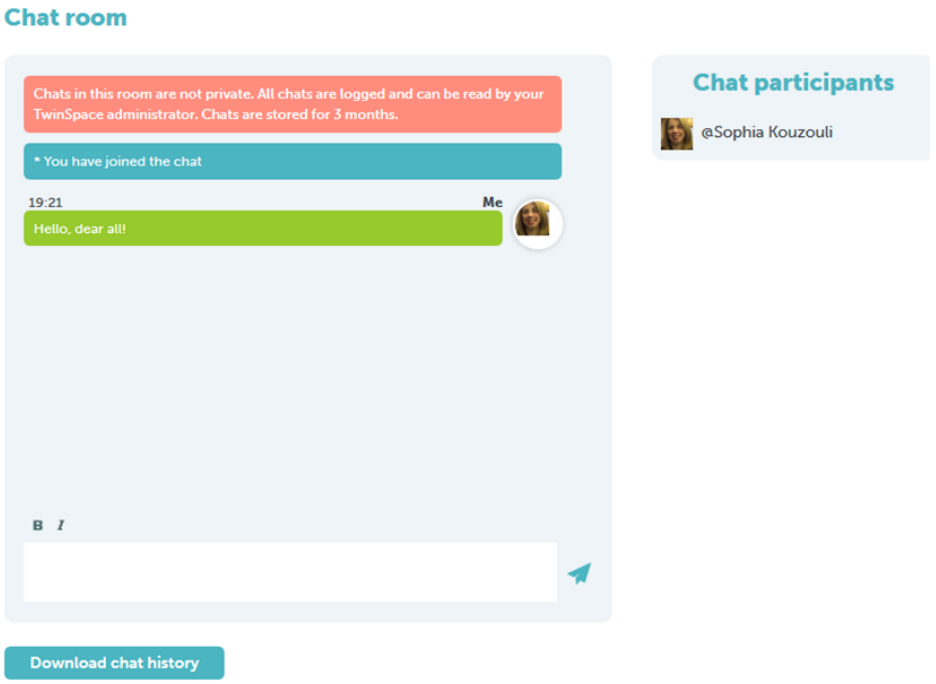
  Members join a live discussion
- **Online meetings**



Live: Chat room



- **All online members** can **communicate**
- Teachers can **download** and **export** the **chat history**



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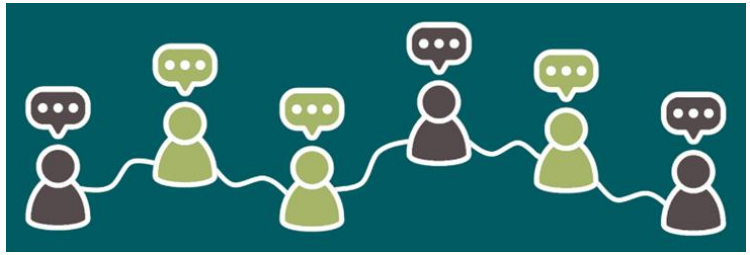
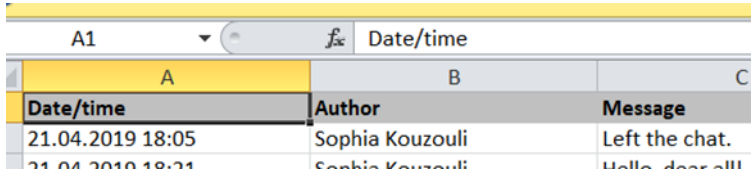


- Click on Download chat history button
- Export Chat log history
- Set the start and end date
- Pedagogical use of a structured chat session:
  - Foster the courtesy and respect expected in a group conversation
  - Assess the contribution of all members



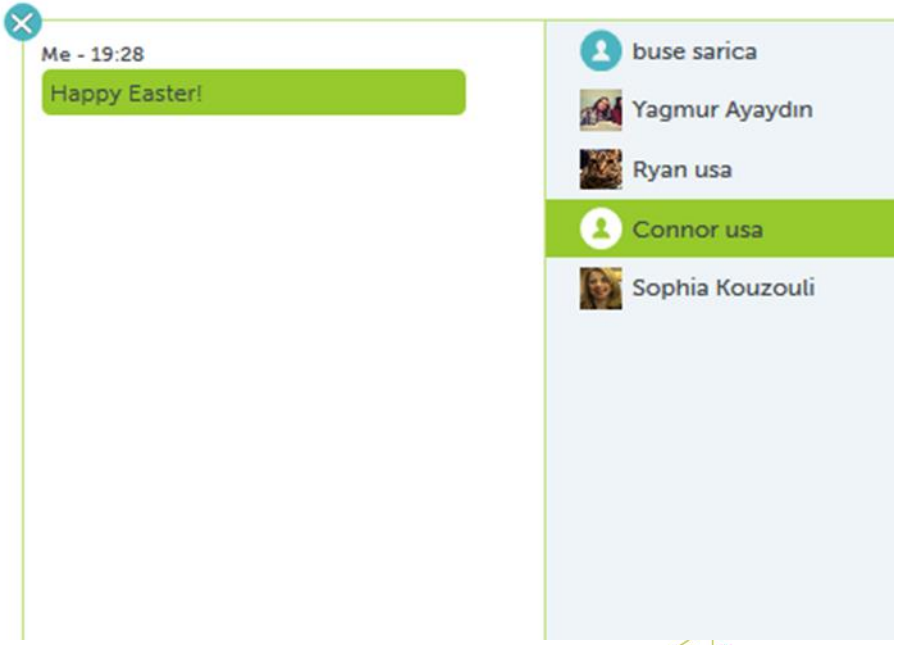
A1 | Date/time

A	B	C
Date/time	Author	Message
21.04.2019 18:05	Sophia Kouzouli	Left the chat.

Live, 1:1 messages

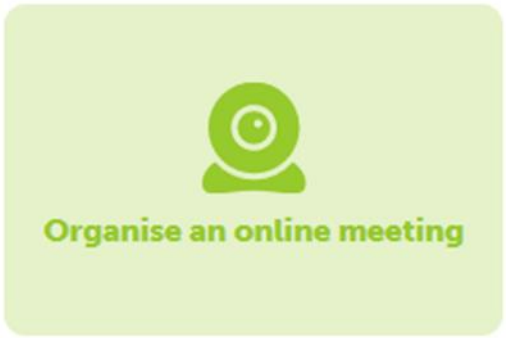
Instant collaboration:

- send short 1:1 direct messages to other members who are online



Live events

- Click on the **Organize an online meeting** button to set up a Live Event
- Book a time slot
- Just before the starting time the **ENTER ROOM** button will become visible
- Presenters can **share** their computer screen, open a collaborative whiteboard or show a presentation or document
- Participants can communicate with **audio** and **video** or just make use of the **chat box**



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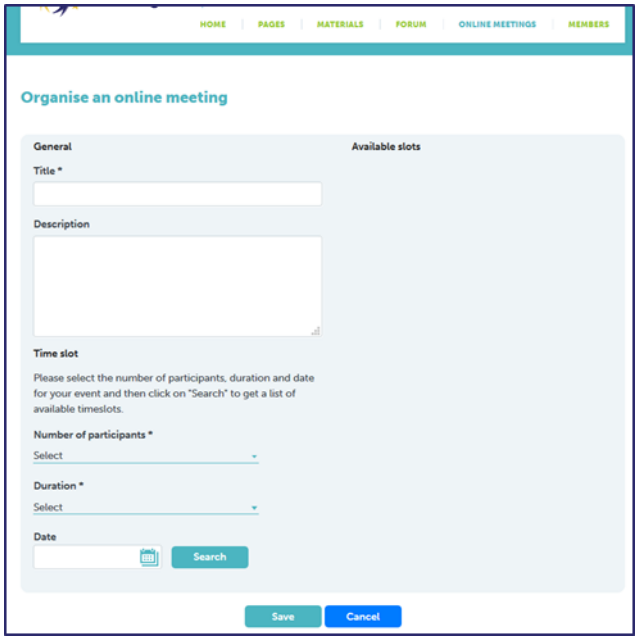
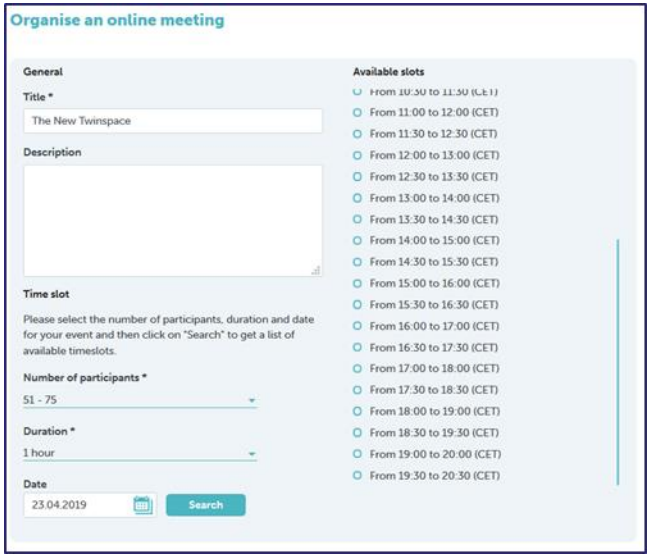

HOME
PAGES
MATERIALS
FORUM
ONLINE MEETINGS
MEMBERS
Organise an online meeting
General
Title *
Description
Time slot
Please select the number of participants, duration and date for your event and then click on "Search" to get a list of available timeslots.
Number of participants *
Select
Duration *
Select
Date
Search
Available slots
Save
Cancel


Organise an online meeting
General
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The New Twinspace
Description
Time slot
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Number of participants *
51 - 75
Duration *
1 hour
Date
23.04.2019
Search
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From 11:30 to 12:30 (CET)
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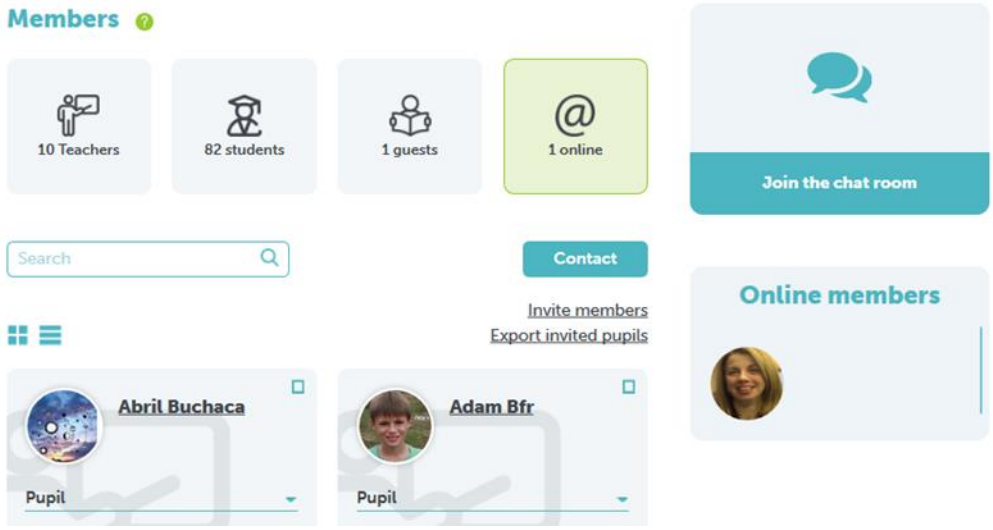
Upcoming events
Multilateral Seminar, Patras, Greece, 3-5 October 2019
04.10.2019
Time: 08:30
Past events

Live events

- The Live Event cannot be accessed with accounts of pupils
- When organizing a virtual meeting with project partners, teachers should display the Live Event on a big screen in the classroom

Members

- **All members** of the twinspace
- **Export** in excel the usernames of their invited students
- **Search** for a member
- **Filter** by member type
- **Change** member **type**
- **Delete** member
- **Reset** pupil password
- **Invite** new members
- **Send message to all** members of this TwinSpace

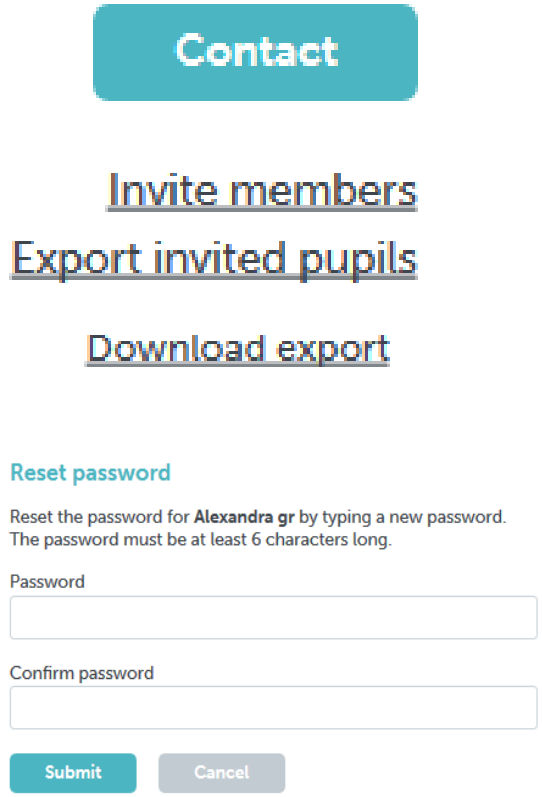


Members

Administrators can:

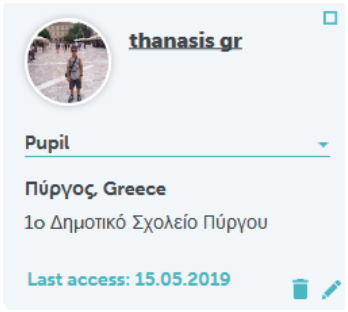
- **Invite members to the TwinSpace**

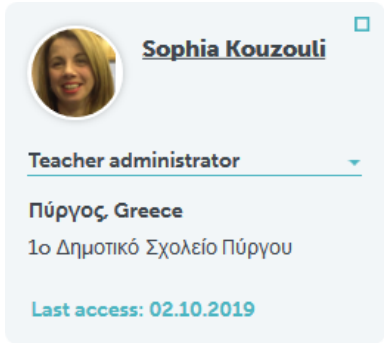
- **Add teachers, pupils** and **visitors**
- **Export** a pupils' list with their **usernames**
- For safety reasons, **pupils' passwords cannot be exported** and **downloaded.**
- **Reset password** (by the teacher who invited them)



Members

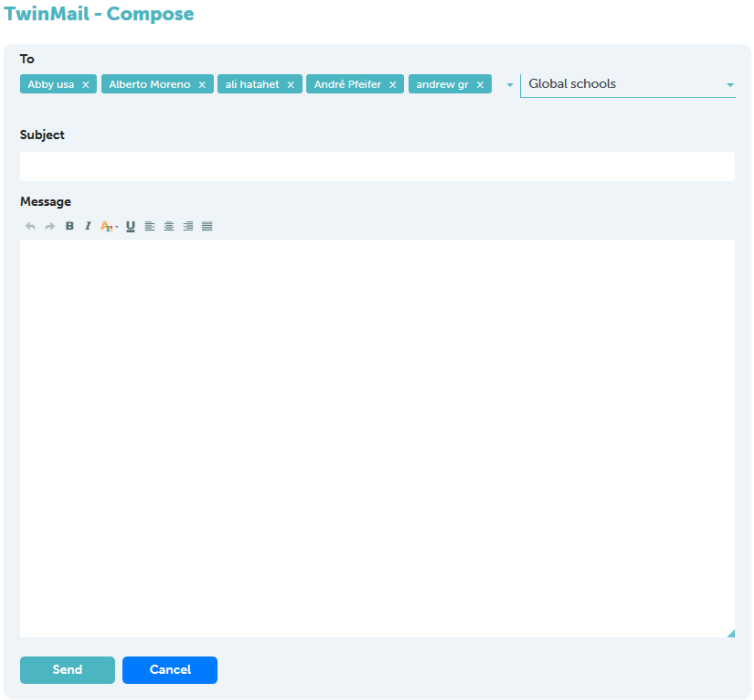
- ❑ **Change a member's user permissions**
- ➢ Find the member and **select the drop down** that displays their role
- ➢ **Teacher administrator** - can edit and delete everything
- ➢ **Teacher** - can only edit and delete their own and their pupils' content
- ➢ **Pupil administrator** - can then be assigned to edit pages the T. defines
- ➢ **Pupil** - can add images and videos and can only edit pages that pupils are allowed to edit
- ➢ **Visitor** - can see content within a TwinSpace - but can edit if she/he is given the right to edit





Members

- **Delete members**
- **Contact the members of your choice**
  - Choose the members you want
  - Contact them for a specific task
- **Check out their profile page**



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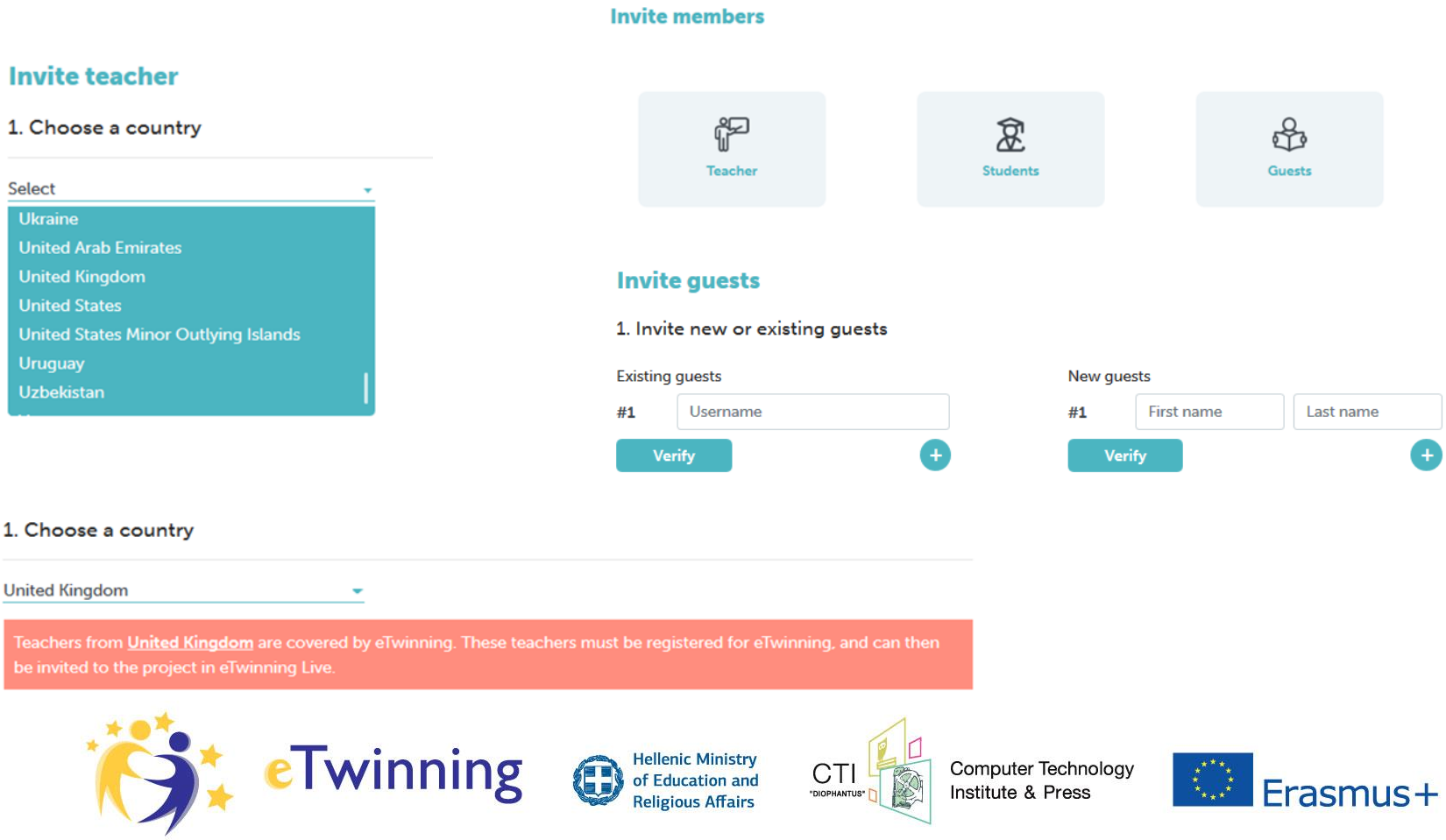
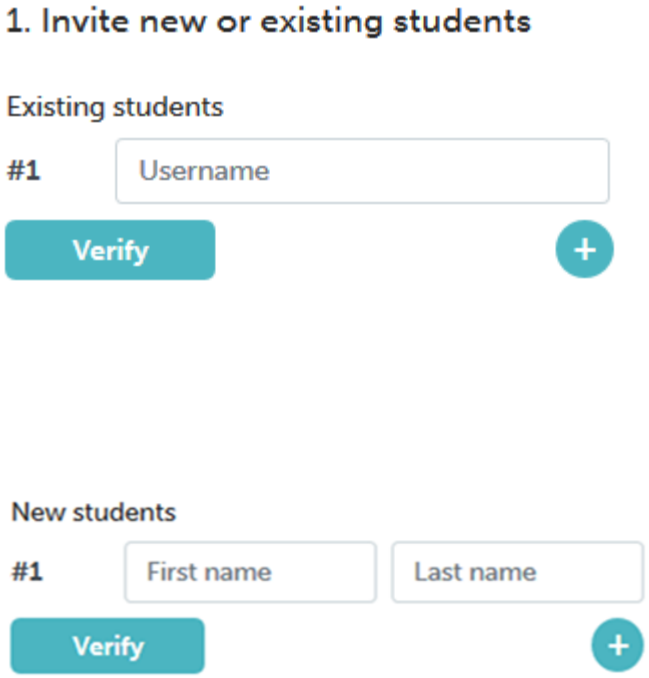

Invite members
Teacher
Students
Guests
Invite teacher
1. Choose a country
Select
Ukraine
United Arab Emirates
United Kingdom
United States
United States Minor Outlying Islands
Uruguay
Uzbekistan
Invite guests
1. Invite new or existing guests
Existing guests
#1
Username
Verify
New guests
#1
First name
Last name
Verify
1. Choose a country
United Kingdom
Teachers from United Kingdom are covered by eTwinning. These teachers must be registered for eTwinning, and can then be invited to the project in eTwinning Live.

Members

Invite students

- ❑ Checking if they are already registered
- ❑ Check their name or username
- ❑ Click on “verify”
- ❑ Invite new students and set a password
- ➢ A parental/guardian consent is required to invite pupils
- ➢ A parental/guardian consent is required to take and upload pictures /videos of the students



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- Find the right people to connect
- Explore the platform
- Network with colleagues and engage in groups
- Improve your teaching skills: Self Teaching Materials, seminars, workshops, learning events
- Get inspired: Kits, projects, testimonials

Start a project: explore the partner forums, search for a project, found a project with a partner

Let's start

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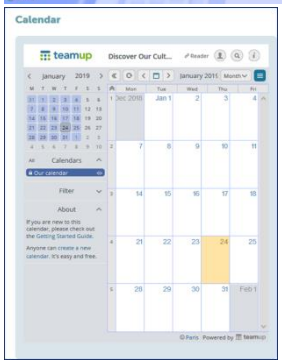
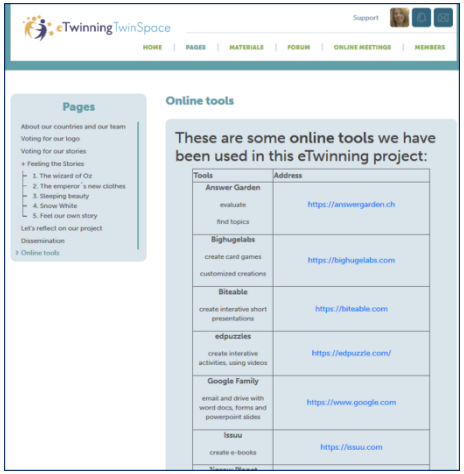
10 Steps for a Successful Project

1. Create a detailed schedule of activities (deadlines etc)
2. Decide on the activities you will do and the tools you will use





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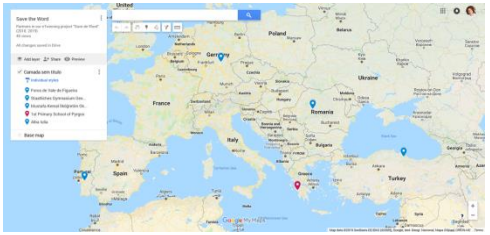
3. Agree upon the netiquette rules
4. Inform head teachers, colleagues, students and parents
5. Plan your Twinspace



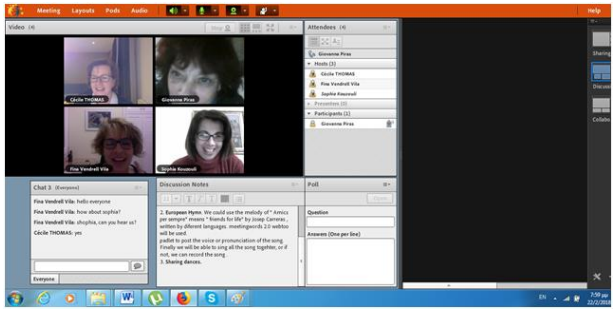
ICT world, 12-15

- Project idea
- Partners´ schools introduction
- Introducing the regions
- Introducing the countries
- Logo competition
- SCRATCH games
  - Game step by step: start by CZ
  - Game step by step: start by DE
  - Game step by step: start by FI
  - Game step by step: start by FR
  - Game step by step: start by LV
  - Game step by step: start by SP
  - Scratch games step by step
  - SCRATCH games - final versions
- SCRATCH greeting cards
  - Christmas scratch cards :)
  - Summer vacation
- SCRATCH - Code Week 2017
- GEOGEBRA art by using tools
  - GEOGEBRA Spring Contest
  - Winners of the Spring Contest
  - GEOGEBRA - Easter eggs
  - STAR TEAM Contest
  - Winners StAR TEAM Contest
- GEOGEBRA art by using animation
- GEOGEBRA animations in real life
  - More of animations in real life
- More of SCRATCH and GEOGEBRA
- Evaluations
- Entries by friends of our project
- Contacts

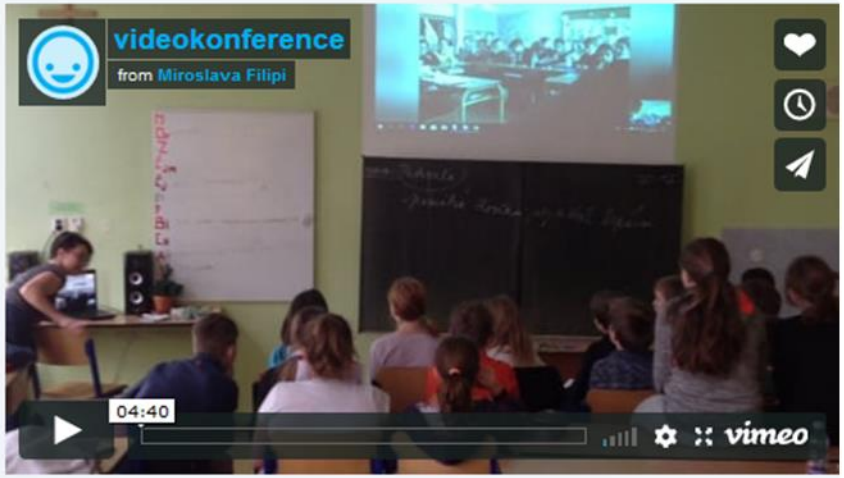
- WELCOME
- WHO WE ARE
- WE ARE FROM...
- GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER
- 5 COUNTRIES, 5 MONUMENTS
  - Our 5 Monuments
  - Our 5 countries
  - Our souvenirs
  - Other monuments, extra work
  - Leaflets of the monuments
- PROJECT LOGO
- MULTILINGUAL DICTIONARY
- MONUMENTAL EUROPE QUIZZES
- LIVE EVENTS
- MONUMENTAL EUROPE CALENDAR 2018
- MONUMENTAL SHOPPING CONTEST
- MONUMENTAL EUROPE HYMN
- MONUMENTAL EUROPE TYPICAL DANCES
- EUROPEAN MONUMENT CONTEST
  - The winner monument to represent our EUROPE
- ME, THE TRAVELING MASCOT
- MONUMENTAL EUROPE EVALUATION
  - Analyzing the evaluation results
- DISSEMINATION
- MONUMENTAL EUROPE IN 3 MINUTES!
- ME AWARDS
- eTwinning award European year of Cultural Heritage

6. Use Twinspace communication

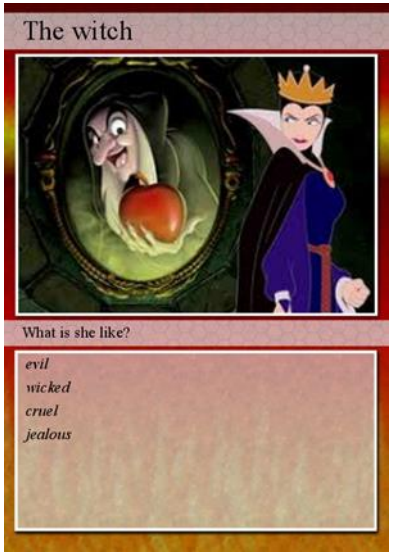
7. Organise Live events

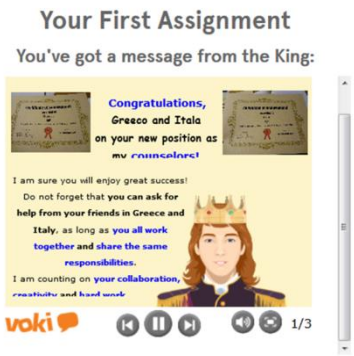


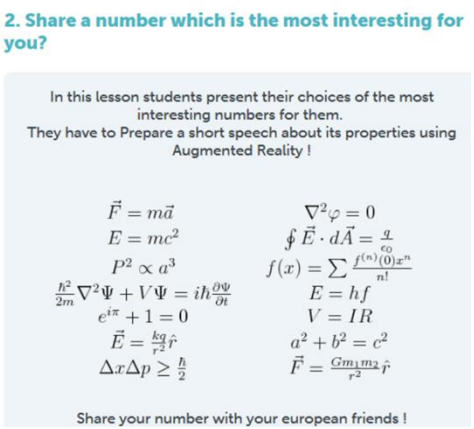
There is our Christmas meeting: Czech school from Skuteč and Greek school from Pyrgos, Greece:



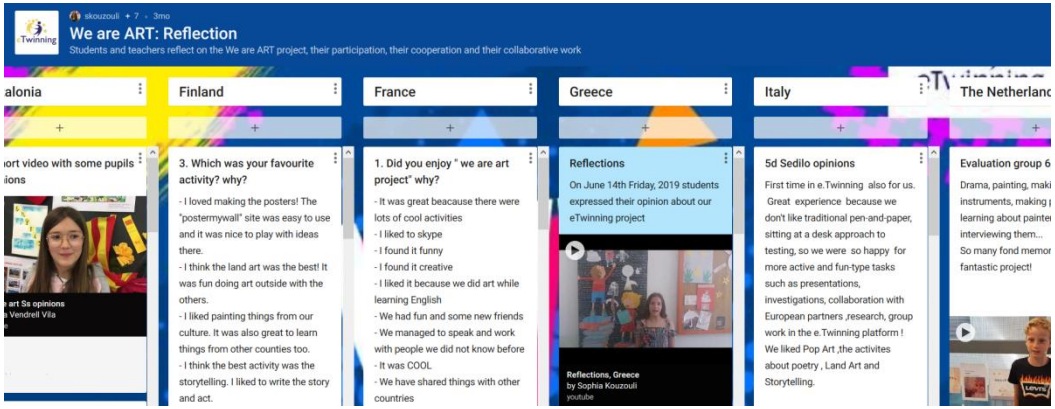
8. Integrate: collaborative activities, create National and Transnational groups

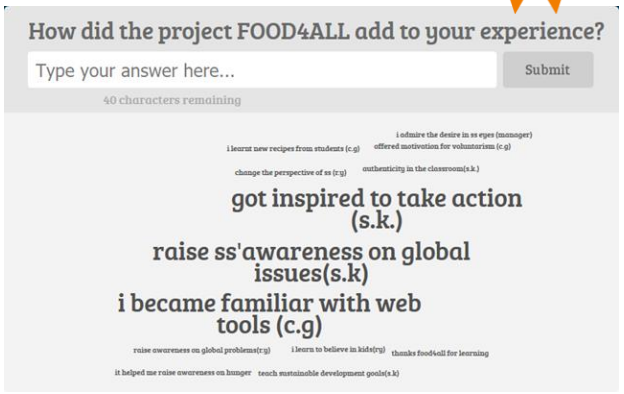


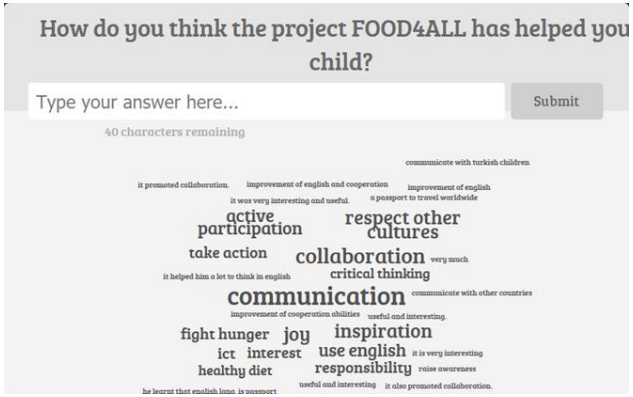




9. Provide feedback: reflect and evaluate
10. Get recognition for your project: apply for a Quality Label







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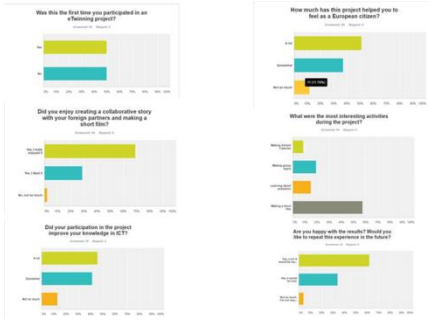

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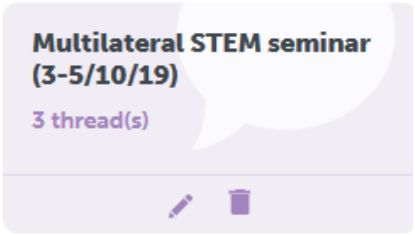
Practice on Test TwinSpace

Task 2: Go to Test West in Ileia

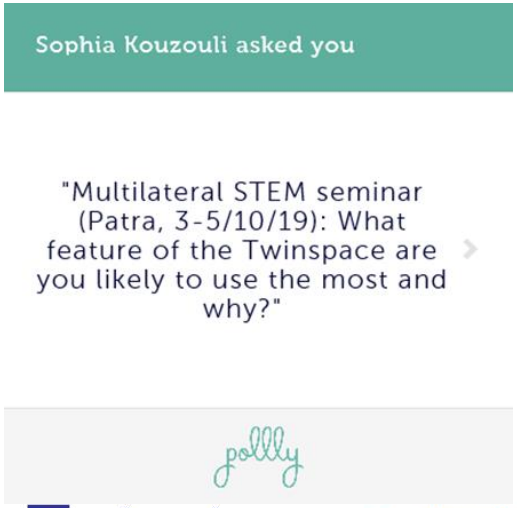
Test West in Ileia
17.01.2018

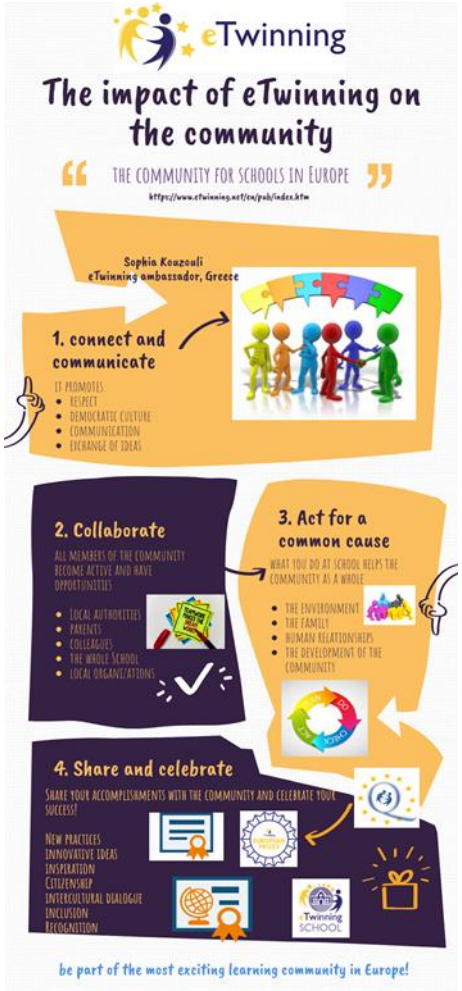
- ❑ Find the forum discussion:
  - **Let's engage in STEM activities I** (1st session)
  - **Let's engage in STEM activities II** (2nd session)
  - **Let's engage in STEM activities III** (3rd session)
- ❑ Post a reply to the forum thread
- ❑ Upload a video/picture and add a few words about it
- ❑ Take part in the poll



Reflect and Evaluate:

- Visit the Poll.ly at https://poll.ly/#/Gx4Ye1vV
- Answer the question:
  - What feature of the Twinspace are you likely to use the most and why?





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