

NEW YORK IN OTWOCK

On 4th February in our school we welcomed, as every year, visitors from New York. This meeting started with a small introduction and with a moving and well-known story about the understanding of each other's pains. Moreover, we sang together a song Hevenu Shalom Alehem in Hebrew, Polish and English.

However, the main element was working in groups. It was also the most enjoyable part of that afternoon. Everyone quickly divided into small groups and began to talk. Amazing is that despite the differences, such as radically different place of residence, language or religion, we could talk without any obstacles. We touched upon many topics concerning ourselves, our interests, hobbies, future plans or religion. We were not afraid of talking about difficult topics as the Holocaust. We could then understand that the number of similarities is much greater than the number of differences.

After working in groups, there was a traditional singing of a song 'Imagine' by John Lennon, during which we gathered in a wide circle and hung by the arms. At the end we said goodbye to our Guests and wished them a happy journey to Israel. This meeting, like all previous ones, raised us with fond memories. It was a truly educational and enjoyable experience. We'll remember this for a long time.