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'Ober' excitement in Kingscourt

THE town of Kingscourt played host to a group of German students from the Georg Christoph Lichtenberg school in Ober-Ramstadt, Germany (near Frankfurt) recently. The students arrived on Monday, March 26, where they were warmly welcomed by their host families. The town was still in festive mood from the St Patrick's weekend celebrations, with bunting still in position and the German flag flown along side the Irish and European flags to welcome the visitors.

They were accompanied by two of their teachers and tour organiser Sandra Kaesmeier (Carolan) who is a native of Kingscourt.

A hectic schedule was arranged for their visit, this being their first visit to Ireland.

With a trip along the coast for a guided tour of Carlingford, the students also visited Dublin City. While local attractions included Dún A Rí Forest park and Lough An Lae mountain.

On Thursday evening of last week, the group was treated to an evening of traditional Irish music and dance. On Friday morning, the group headed for Carrickmacross schools and Newgrange Visitors centre, before leaving for Dublin Airport and their flight to Frankfurt. There were many expressions of thanks for the host families and the Kingscourt community who made them so welcome. It is likely that there will be further exchange visits following in future years.



From left: German teachers, Sandra Kaesmeier (Carolan), Hans-Henning Lassen, Britta Drackert and Fiona Kaesmeier.



Students from Georg Christoph Lichtenberg school, Germany, on a visit to Cabra Castle Hotel.