

Day 2 (Written by Linda Hwang)

Short ride in a ship & Oedo (Island)

After a wonderful breakfast in our hotel, we started the day off with a ship ride heading to Oedo. While riding the ship, we took lots of pictures of the ocean, cliffs and the skyview. Once we arrived in Oedo, we saw lots of statues, flowers, plants, and etc. This island was designed with many plants that came from overseas.

Mongdol Beach

We went to the mongdol beach, after our lunch. The mongdol beach had an amazing view, with adorable rocks (both small and big sizes) and the clear water. The weather was also perfect, which made it the best day to take pictures in the beach. Since the mongdol (rocks on the ocean) are becoming rarer, people are not allowed to take these rocks. Some people dipped their legs in the water, to cool off.

Prison Camp in Geoje

The prison camp in Geoje gave us many thoughts. The Victory Ship that was used to save many people's lives gave us lots of impressions. We felt very unfortunate for the people who had to survive through the freezing winter, but also got impressed by how many people survived in the boat. (It still was cold, but there were even some babies that were born!) When we went to the prison camp, we saw the simulations of how hard life was during that time. We were happy because we learned lots of information, but many were heartbroken because of the unfortunate living conditions.

Temples (Chung Ryul and Sebyungkwan)

The temples we visited was made for Admiral Yi. He was skilled in battles and making strategies, but he also was a heartwarming person. (For example, he cared about his mother during the war.) These things were the reasons why the kings were proud of him, and we also felt very thankful that he protected our country as much as he could.

Final Thought

Tong Young and Geoje are historically very important for Koreans. From this tour, we learned that history was very important. Not only we learned stuff, this world experience tour gave us a time where 7th grade as a group could have a chance to become closer.