

We started our day by taking a guided tour of the city, but not walking, but by bus!

This is what I got from it:

Dublin was the most beautiful city in the XVIII century, it was very prestigious and most of the people were going there to enjoy themselves. At the time Dublin was ruled by Ireland and Aristocrats but it had it's own parliament. Dublin very quickly started to have their own architecture

Like these typical doors: _____>
We can find them all over the city!



The seat of the Irish government (Department of the Taoiseach) is a very big building and it represents the architecture of Dublin very well and shows how Dublin was a very elegant city at that time!

This building still holds all of the Irish government.

The city is built in 4 "Goergen squares" that represent the true neighborhoods of the city.

Squares also have parks and green alleys to keep nature around! The parks are only accessible by the residents of these squares, they are private! Every person living in the neighborhood gets a key for the park.

In the lamps, there was a plug for gas -> oven.

In Dublin, they had to pay taxes for glass. They called it daylight tax.

A lot of famous people come from Dublin like Oscar Wilde (painter, poet) or Bram Stoker (Author)

The children growing up in Dublin were privileged, most of them were going to Trinity college, a very prestigious school.

The author of Dracula: Bram Stoker went to this school.

Dublin also has very good transportations, trams are called LUAS.

It means "speed" in Celtic.
There is also a metro and lots of bus lines.

A lot of huge companies are standing in Dublin, Google, Apple, Microsoft, Twitter,...

The city is crossed by a beautiful river called Liffey. So it has many beautiful bridges.

In Dublin was also invented a new sport : Celtic football similar to the Australian one.

To live in Dublin and even in Ireland is very VERY expensive !!! Real estate is a major problem in Dublin, 75% of the people own their houses because it would be even more expensive to rent one.

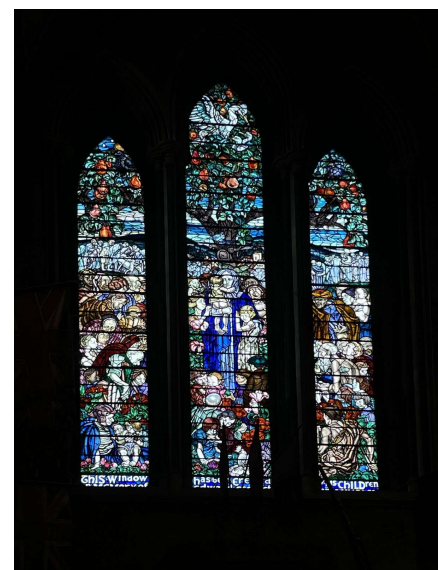
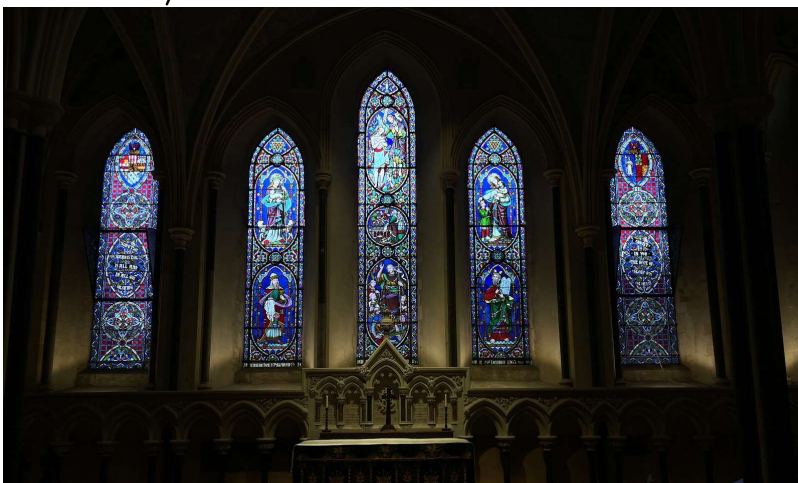
Dublin name comes from the black water name (didn't fully understand why, but there used to be black water called "Duvlin").

Celtic is spoken by only 3% of the Irish. The language is very close to Scottish.

There is a beer factory in the city, that's unusual but it's well integrated, only the logistics part with all the trucks seems a bit much but the factory looks and smells nice.

We then finished by visiting Saint Patrick's church, we learned everything about him, it was interesting.

I especially loved the windows and the details given to them, they were all telling a story and were very well made !



We then had a free time for lunch and we enjoyed discovering Irish's eating and drinking habits, going around the huge Saint Stephen green park (getting pooped on by birds), visiting the Trinity College library and thoroughly enjoying the city !