

Living in England



Emily Dunbar, a sophomore at Treynor, was the speaker at the Optimist Club on November 7. She lived in England with her parents for two years and returned to Treynor this fall for school. They moved to England in August 2007 while her mother worked there.

Emily attended school there for two years. The school year runs from August until July. The school subjects are arranged different than in the United States because she took chemistry, biology, and physics all in the same year. Her school headmaster was like the one in Harry Potter movies. Everyone wears a uniform for school, both in public and private schools.

School there is very relaxed. Emily had no homework. Homework also does not count toward your grade, only tests. Graduation is at the end of 10th grade. Then many youth go to college for two years. After that they can go to the University.

While in Europe, she traveled to Scotland and several countries in Europe, including France, Italy, and Norway.

Emily has many relatives in Italy. The family visited them for Christmas. While in Europe she enjoyed every place they visited, from relatives in Tuscany, Italy, to beautiful Norway where they experienced less than three hours of darkness at night; from school trips in Paris, to Edinburg Castle in Scotland.

