

## **“Building skills, confidence and friendships” at the European Youth Parliament**

While many of us spent the final weekend of August trying to stay cool, three students from KSH spent the late summer days engaged in heated debate. Elise Wennerlid (G2a), Hannah Schmid (G2c) and Tamara Trüb (G2c) joined students from all over Switzerland, but also other countries including Sweden and Ukraine, for five days discussing and developing resolutions on the topic “Strengthening Community, Shaping a Sustainable Future Together” at the 28th National Selection Conference of the European Youth Parliament in Zurich.

After an opening day of team-building exercises, the delegates gathered in their respective committees, where they discussed important topics such as transparency and the prevention of lobbying in the energy trade, the regulation of social media companies, and the prevention of minority language loss. After the committee sessions came the General Assembly at the ETH, where many resolutions passed successfully to applause and “jazz hands”.

The students described the experience as “absolutely amazing”, and were as enthusiastic about the experiences of working as a team, finding common ground, and gaining an insight into political procedures, as they were about the many friendships they formed and cemented at the fun social events. Thank you so much, EYP, and jazz hands to all involved!

