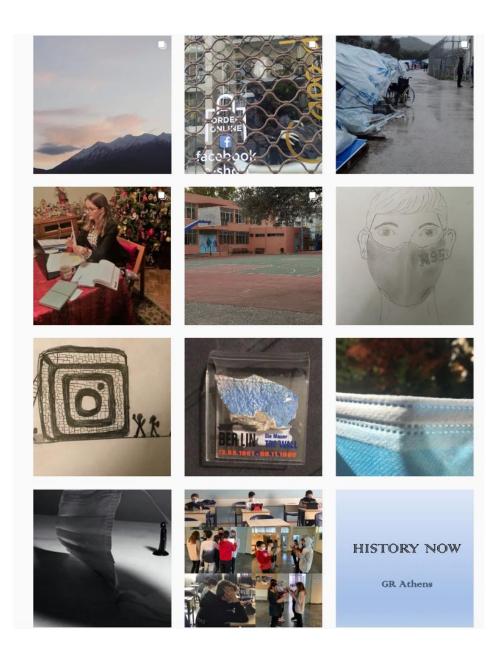


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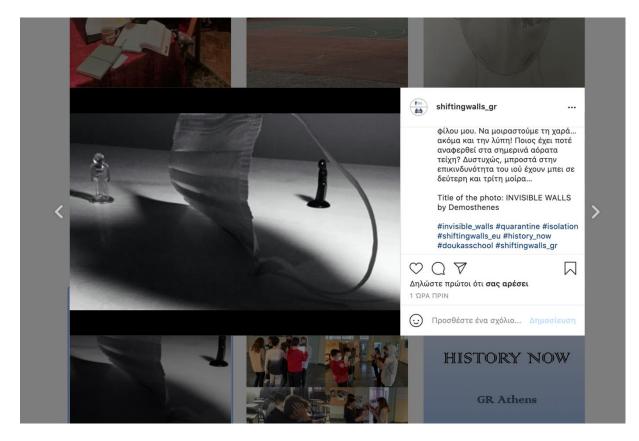
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"The current wall between people is the mask that we all wear properly to protect ourselves from the current enemy of all people, the covid-19"



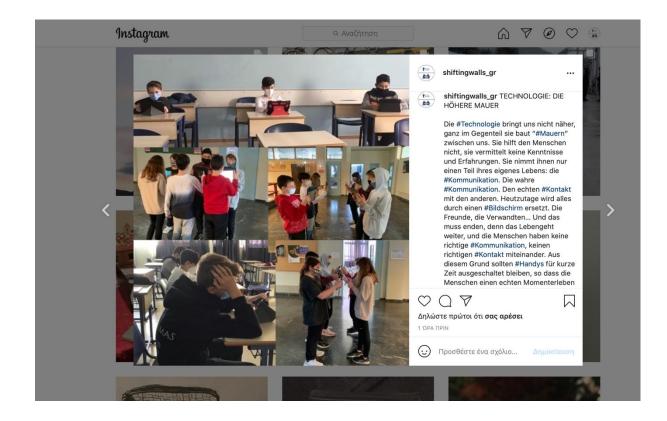
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"I have heard many people say that the use of mask is to protect. "It greatly inhibits the spread of the virus," experts say over and over again. Really, I believe them! But why can't they believe me? What is the difference between the Berlin Wall that separated Germany for years and the current situation? Wanting to express myself, to see my friend's face and his reactions. Wanting to share the joy... even the sorrow! Who has ever referred to today's invisible walls? Unfortunately, having to face the danger of the virus they have become less important..."



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"Die #Technologie bringt uns nicht näher, ganz im Gegenteil sie baut "#Mauern" zwischen uns. Sie hilft den Menschen nicht, sie vermittelt keine Kenntnisse und Erfahrungen. Sie nimmt ihnen nur einen Teil ihres eigenes Lebens: die #Kommunikation. Die wahre #Kommunikation. Den echten #Kontakt mit den anderen. Heutzutage wird alles durch einen #Bildschirm ersetzt. Die Freunde, die Verwandten... Und das muss enden, denn das Lebengeht weiter, und die Menschen haben keine richtige #Kommunikation, keinen richtigen #Kontakt miteinander. Aus diesem Grund sollten #Handys für kurze Zeit ausgeschaltet bleiben, so dass die Menschen einen echten Momenterleben können."



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"We were inspired by this photo of the Berlin Wall to talk about a similar wall today, the quarantine. The Berlin Wall from 1961 to 1990 divided Germany between East and West. Many people and families were not allowed to be found close, just as many people today cannot be found, especially those from different countries. Because of quarantine we all have to communicate behind the screens and many friendships have been lost through this way as well as the people in Germany, as the people living in the west and the people in the east were not allowed to have any contact between them. These two walls have caused the separation of many families and friends as well as the loss of many relationships. Both of these walls have provoked feelings of fear and anxiety as well as loneliness. Closing up, we must point out as in the years of the Berlin Wall, people have found a way to overcome this difficult situation, so today we will overcome this new "wall", the quarantine, and soon we will be able to be with our loved ones again"



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