

## Istituto Comprensivo di Gambettola, Italia

### Summer activities 2018

#### Summer text, drawings, and memory card game.

Our pupils are on holiday for more than three months. School ended the 7<sup>th</sup> of June and has started on Monday, the 16<sup>th</sup> September. During the first days of school, children usually tell about their experiences in the Summer months. So, they wrote texts on their holidays and illustrated them. Our school is located a few kilometers from the Adriatic Sea's beaches and children spend their weekends on the beaches between Cervia, Cesenatico and Bellaria.



We also developed a memory card game with illustrations of the Summer's objects suggested by all the partners of the project.



*Memory card game with 12 words: umbrella, sand, bucket, Adriatic Sea, slipper, swimming pool, spade, sandcastle, Atlantic Ocean, ice cream, beach, sunglasses.*

### **Walking tour to the Park Fellini in Gambettola**

Our children are used to taking beautiful nature walks to observe how the landscape changes with the passing of the seasons. During these educational walks they collect natural objects and ask questions. It is a good opportunity to learn new words about plants and objects they find on the path. The teacher is ready to translate the words into English to get the children used to new sounds and new meanings and to compose simple sentences with the new words.



## **Autumn activities 2018**

### **End of September: The international Puppets festival**

Every year at the beginning of Autumn, a few weeks after the school starts, Gambettola hosts for three days The International festival of puppets' theatre.

Children, after school, float to the square and streets to admire beautiful free shows. In the morning there is the possibility to go to the Town theatre and take part to puppets' show. But, not only in September... All along the year, on Saturday afternoon, there are interesting and pleasant puppets' show at the Teatro Comunale di Gambettola.





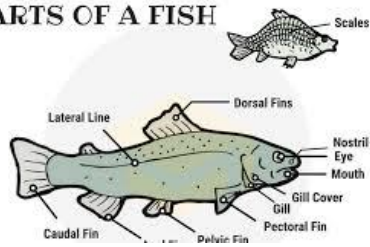


## **Festival of Autumn: Oily fish of the Adriatic Sea**

Oily fish gastronomic festival in Cesenatico, a seaside resort not so far from our school, was an opportunity to talk about different fishes of the Adriatic Sea and to study their characteristics. Teacher brought to school a mackerel and some anchovies. Children explored the different parts of the fishes' bodies, then they learned the words in Italian and English.



## PARTS OF A FISH



New words: scales, mouth, eye, nostril, gills, fins.

They wrote also a short description of both fishes:

*Anchovy is an oily fish that lives deep in the sea. In spring it approaches the coast to reproduce and lays up to forty thousand eggs. It feeds on plankton. It is consumed fresh, salted or canned.*

*Mackerel is a medium-sized fish. It feeds on oily fish. In spring the flocks rise to the surface to reproduce. It is consumed fresh, in oil, smoked.*

## Artworks: fishes of the Adriatic Sea and historical boats

Pupils watch the website of the Maritime Museum of Cesenatico in order to find information about the historical boats. We planned to visit this Museum next Spring. They made drawings of the fishes and boats and realized an exhibition.

Some of the drawings were given to the partner school during the teachers' mobility in Turkey, the first week of November.





## **We are all different, but we swim in the same sea!**

Pupils of the 4<sup>th</sup> grade realized a poster representing the sea and the marine biodiversity. This work refers also to the variety of different cultures in the world.



### **The truffle festival**

The students of the Low Secondary school made a booklet with Autumn recipes in English, French and Spanish. They cooked a traditional cake with chestnuts, called "Castagnaccio", and prepared some noodles with porcini mushrooms. They also realized a video.

### **The festival of hemp in Gambettola (25-26<sup>th</sup> November)**



Every year on occasion of the ancient fair of the hemp, the pupils of the second grade of the Primary school create artworks with fabric of hemp and teachers and families organize an exhibition in the Town hall.



## Festival of grape and harvest

To celebrate the harvest and the autumn products the children of the 4<sup>th</sup> grade prepared some biscuits with raisins and wine. They listened to the story of the “Fox and the grape” in English, and made creative works with the wool that represent bunches of grapes.



## Christmas gift 2018

During the first two weeks of December our pupils were engaged in creating Christmas cards and gift for their Erasmus schoolmates. They put all the decoration and materials into four big envelopes and went together with their teacher to the post-office to send them.



During the Christmas and New Year's holiday we received lot of envelopes from our partner schools. With all the Christmas cards and gifts, pupils made a gorgeous International collage in our Erasmus+ corner.

Pupils enjoyed this activity very much, they love sending and receiving mail, and have a long experience in doing it.



Erasmus+ corner with Christmas cards

## We count together

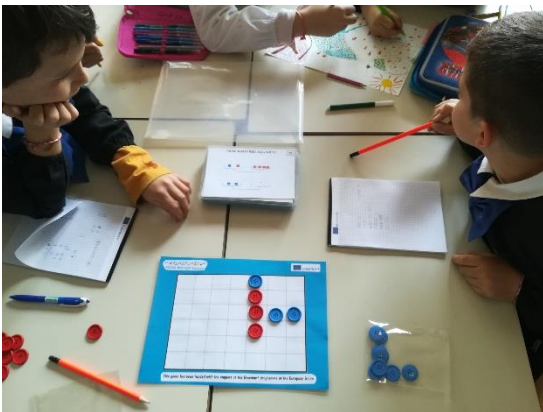
Children love to play games. During the Winter time they could not go out during the break, so they organized Maths contests in English. Our Maths teachers developed two new games, called Reach the number, and Logically. The first game is particularly challenging, children can play in pairs or in groups.

Children have to count till 999 in English and calculate quickly in order to win.





The second game is called Logically. It is a version of the game Four-in-a-row. Players must first solve a problem of logic, then they can put the bottom on the board. When a player (or a team of player) have put four bottoms in a row (vertically, horizontally, or diagonally) the game is over! In the contest player can win sweet prizes, like chocolate and cookies.



## Spring activities 2019

### Spring Carnival in Gambettola

In Gambettola, at Easter Monday and the following Sunday there is a big Carnival parade. This festival has its own peculiarity: it is the only carnival that held in the Spring period; it is an important carnival which attracts many visitors, and it is also known outside the region. The Spring Carnival, which has very old origins, has been known since the year 1886.

The allegorical floats, these papier-mâché giants that draw the lifeblood for their construction from current events, will parade through the streets of Gambettola, with engaging choreography and throwing of sweets.

The Carnival in Gambettola is supported by a powerful organizational machine, composed of many volunteers, which at the end of the fair allows this show to take place. Children dress in costumes and take part of this beautiful and funny parade. The school's friends committee build every year a big charriot and this year was: Super Mario Bosch. This charriot was awarded with the first prize.



Carnival night parade held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in Gambettola.





Super Mario Bosch, the charriot built by the School's friends Committee that won the first prize at the Spring Carnival parade, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019.



## Mostrascambio

Gambettola is known in all Italy as the capital of the Scrap Metal. In fact, there were until the last decade, a lot of small factories that recycled different types of metals. Nowadays only a few of them are left.

Since 1989, twice a year (at the beginning of May, and at the beginning of September) a famous **Old scrap fair**, called **Mostrascambio**, is a meeting point in Gambettola for lovers of ancient things, like: daily tools, pieces of engines, clothes, and old toys.



## Memory games

With the vocabulary shared among the partner schools, we create a memory game (rose, cycling, bee, strawberry, garden, migratory birds, swallow, daffodil, daisy, stork, tulip, cherries)





CYCLING



STRAWBERRIES



MIGRATORY  
BIRDS



DAFFODIL



SWALLOW

## INTERNATIONAL MEETING IN ITALY

We realized the Third short-term exchange of students in Italy from 12<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The topic was: CLIL and Literature with a special focus on Drama in English.



During the first day we visited the Primary school “G. Pascoli” in Gambettola. After the Welcome meeting, pupils of the different partner schools worked in groups for creating the International collages.





We had a CLIL lesson in Literature on The Adventures of Pinocchio.



Student listened to the story of Pinocchio and watched a video presentation of it. Then they they worked in group, they drew a scene of the story and wrote on it a short caption. With all drawings they made a big poster.

On Tuesday we visited the city of Venice in order to better know the Art and History of this beautiful part of Italy. We also payed a visit to the island of Murano and watched how they make blown glass.



Wednesday was dedicated to the meeting with coordinators and to a walking tour on the beach and through the town of Cesenatico.

On Thursday we had the international Drama day. Students played in English a show representing a legend or a story of their countries.



We watched the show played by the students of the Low Secondary school at the Town Theatre and finally we had a farewell dinner altogether.

On Friday we visited the town of Rimini, its ancient Roman monuments, the Temple, the Castle and the beach.



Despite the rainy and cloudy weather, children liked to play and learn together!