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MERRY
CHRISTMAS

THIS IS

THE DIS

CHRISTMAS

TREE



Can you find any of
your DIS memories?

Merry Christmas from
the DisNews staff!





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MULTI-LANGUAGE CORNER

“There is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious as laughter and good humor.” – Charles Dickens



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“Il n'y a rien au monde de plus irrésistiblement contagieux que le rire et la bonne humeur.” – Charles Dickens

“Nichts auf der Welt ist so unwiderstehlich ansteckend wie Lachen und gute Laune.” – Charles Dickens



“世界上没有什么比笑声和幽默更具有不可抗拒的感染力了。” – Charles Dickens



New students interview

MYP4 and MYP5



What's your name and what year are you in?

My name is Fairuz Jith and I'm in Myp4.

My name is Hiruni Thathsarani Arambededara and I'm in Myp5.

Where are you from and how long have you been in Italy for?

I'm Palestinian, all my relatives live in Israel. I moved to Italy when I was about 2 months old.

I was born in Italy and I then moved to Sri Lanka when I was 4. In March 2023 I came back here.

What is your favourite subject so far?

I really like Humanities and Spanish.

I would say Maths and probably Design as well.



gracias

Who is your favourite teacher?

I actually don't have a favourite one, they are all very nice,

Prof. Taddei and Maniscalco were the ones who instantly made me feel welcome.

What is the main difference between your old school and DIS?

DIS is much more organized and offers a lot to the students.

The main difference is that in my previous school we had 8 subjects per day.

What do you like the most about Italy?

Its uniqueness.

The food and its culture.





New students interview

DP1



What's your name and what year are you in?

My name is Pernille Thorsby and I'm in DP1.

My name is Romina Oneto and I'm in Dp1.

Where are you from and how long have you been in Italy for?

I come from Norway and I moved to Italy 3 months ago.

I come from Ecuador and I moved here 4 months ago.

What is your favourite subject so far?



My favourite subject so far is Italiab B Initio.

My favourite subject is Design Technology.



Who is your favourite teacher?

I do not have a favourite one, I believe that they are all different and good in their own way.

My favourite teacher so far is my maths teacher, Mrs. Sandhu.

What is the main difference between your old school and DIS?

The main difference is the amount of students, in my old school we were 150 in the same year.

The main difference is the fact that the schedule is much more flexible.

What do you like the most about Italy?

The food, weather and the people :)

I love the landscapes.



TV Series / Movies

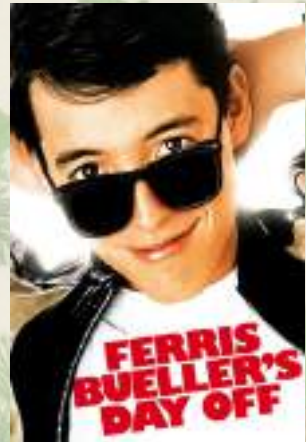


Romance, Comedy, Drama

A whirlwind Christmas romance builds as cynical Dash and optimistic Lily trade dares, dreams, and desires in the notebook they pass back and forth at locations around New York City.

Coming of age, Adventure, Comedy

Ferris Bueller, a high school student, fakes sickness to stay at home and spends the rest of the day with his best friend and girlfriend. Meanwhile, his dean tries to spy on him.



Comedy, Action, Romance

Scott Pilgrim meets Ramona and instantly falls in love with her. But when he meets one of her exes at a band competition, he realises that he has to deal with all seven of her exes to woo her.



LOVE HOROSCOPE

2024 PREDICTIONS

In the realm of love, the year 2024 holds extraordinary promises for certain zodiac signs. As the celestial dance unfolds, Taurus, Cancer, Leo, Libra, Sagittarius, and Pisces will find themselves immersed in a wave of romantic luck and profound connections.

Here are the signs that will end up together:

- Cancer- Pisces
- Aries-Scorpio
- Aquarius-Libra
- Taurus-Sagittarius
- Virgo-Leo
- Gemini-Capricorn



EXCHANGES

GERMANY

This summer, like last year, the students of MYP4, MYP5 and DP1 participated in an extracurricular exchange with the Liceo Gynnasium of Osterholz-Scharmbeck, a charming town located near the city of Bremen. In June the German students had the opportunity to visit the city of Genoa. Hosted by the students from our school. In September, then, it was the Italian students who had the opportunity to go to Germany. In fact, the week before the start of school, they went to Osterholz-Scharmbeck for about 5 days, also hosted by local families. During their stay, they had the opportunity to experience their culture.



USA



This September some DP1 students experienced an incredible exchange with Bucknell University, located in Pennsylvania. They had the opportunity to visit the stunning city of New York City for the first two days, to then live for the next 7 days as an American college student. They had the chance to participate in some classes, and to talk to them about Italian culture. In addition, our students were able to engage with the Italian Department at Bucknell giving a presentation on their hometown.

By: Lorenzo Bucci & Gino Baracchini



Fall and winter 2023/2024 Fashion trends

Fashion trends have changed a lot over the years: from knee long skirts to baggy jeans, but this year it's all about the **classic autumn style with a modern twist**. There are many characteristics that show this aspect of fall and winter such as: chunky sweaters, new shoe and boot trends, and more.



fonte: pintrest

Another fashion trend that we've been seeing more and more are the **shearling jackets**. This type of clothing hit its peak in the 1950's-60's, it was considered a staple in **Hollywood films** and popular culture and has recently made its way back into fashion due to the **vintage** aesthetic becoming extremely popular.

One of the most popular trends is the off the **shoulder silhouette** that can be applied to both tops, sweaters, and dresses. A look that in the early 2010s used to only be reserved for the warm, sunny seasons now made its way into the **fall wardrobe**. This trend is partially inspired by the famous Netflix series, **Gilmore Girls**, that takes place in the late 90s and early 2000s and is known for having a warm, cozy aesthetic.



fonte: pintrest

Primary to Myp1

BUONA FORTUNA A TUTTI I NUOVI STUDENTI!

IL PASSAGGIO DALLE ELEMENTARI ALLE MEDIE PUO' ESSERE DIFFICILE O PIACEVOLE, E PER SCOPRIRE COME GLI STUDENTI DI QUEST'ANNO LO STANNO TROVANDO, ABBIAMO DECISO DI INTERVISTARLI!



Mahia si trova bene al DIS, e trova che ci siano molte possibilità di gioco, divertimento ed educazione. In base alla sua esperienza, ciò che cambia rispetto alla Primary è il fatto che ci sia una maggiore responsabilità, più regole e più differenza tra le classi, ma non sta riscontrando molte difficoltà; riesce a seguire le lezioni e a capire molto meglio quest'anno, grazie ai maggiori approfondimenti per ogni argomento. Come ogni studente, ha delle aspettative per questa nuova esperienza scolastica: diventare più organizzata e responsabile e studiare di più con l'utilizzo di più materiali.

Per Lola è il primo anno qui al DIS. Si trova bene in questa scuola e ha avuto l'occasione di conoscere tante persone, ed inoltre le piacciono molto le attività in piscina. Lei è inglese, ed ha scelto di intraprendere un percorso più internazionale per poter continuare con lo studio della sua lingua madre, anche imparando la struttura della lingua italiana. Anche lei ha notato delle differenze tra la Primary school e l'MYP: portare più rispetto agli insegnanti, dare del Lei, e l'importanza dell'organizzazione. Lei stessa, però, ha confermato di non essere in difficoltà con lo studio. Ha notato alcuni aspetti positivi riguardo a questo "passaggio di livello": si approfondiscono maggiormente gli argomenti e trova molto utile imparare i life-saving skills in piscina. Le sue aspettative sono di dover studiare di più, avere più compiti e più verifiche.



Primary to Myp1

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Paolo frequenta il DIS dalla seconda elementare e si trova molto bene in questa scuola. Ha notato delle differenze durante questo passaggio: è richiesta più autonomia e si pranza prima del solito. Non sta riscontrando alcun tipo di difficoltà, però ha trovato delle cose positive che ha condiviso con noi: avendo già frequentato la Primary al DIS, ha studiato molte cose interessanti che sono la base del programma dell'MYP; ciò che lo ha aiutato molto con lo studio della lingua inglese è stata la sua permanenza a Londra (dall'asilo alla 2a elementare). Le sue aspettative riguardano la maggiore quantità di studio nella sua routine, perché crescendo le aspettative dei professori sono maggiori: occorrerà anche possedere più materiali e questi anni saranno più complicati.

*Merry
Christmas*



**FROM MAHIA, LOLA
AND PAOLO**





**Stefano
Sassetti**



**Lucia
Pesenti**

DOUBLE NEW SCHOOL INTERVIEW

What brought you to this school?

I'm looking for challenging things that can improve my teaching method. I like the IB method, even though I still have to learn a lot about it.

I wanted to change job, I used to work in a research center and had already taught at a university. I wanted to teach in an IB school because I used to be an IB student in Cambridge.

Why did you choose to become a teacher?

I love math and students need teachers that are passionate and like what they do. I think that school is a very important part of life, but we don't appreciate it. I want to teach the importance of this subject and of school in general.

Because I have a passion for chemistry and learned it as an IB student, and I love the idea of passing it on to the next generations.

Where do you consider yourself at home?

I feel most at home when I am with the right people that make me feel good. Home isn't a place, but a mental condition. I also felt at home when I was teaching in Paris.

I feel at home in Genoa because it's where I have all of my friends and family.

What was your dream job as a kid?

I wanted to become someone cool, because I had never been the cool and confident person in class, but since I love music, I wanted to be a singer with a crowd that cheered for me.

As a kid, I wanted to be a teacher in primary school, but in university I wanted to work at a research center.

What's your favorite Christmas tradition?

My favorite Christmas tradition is buying presents for my friends and family and putting thought into what they like.

My favorite Christmas tradition is the 24th night dinner with all my family's friends.





INTERVISTA TRA FRATELLI

ANNA E PIETRO MARVULLI

1. Qual è la cosa che vi piace di più e di meno dell'andare
nella stessa scuola?

Anna

La cosa che mi piace di più è il fatto che Pietro ha sempre i soldi per le macchinette e dato che io non ce li ho mai, se voglio comprare qualcosa chiedo a lui. La cosa che mi piace di meno è che vuole sempre che io gli dia passaggi.

Pietro

Mi piace molto che è tutto più agevolato. La cosa che mi piace di meno è che Anna è sempre in ritardo per andare a scuola.

2. Da quanto tempo frequentate il DIS?

Io frequento questa scuola dall'MYP1.

Dal primary 4.

3. Qual è la vostra materia preferita?

Biologia.

Biologia.

4. Cosa vi piace di più di questa scuola?

Il metodo di studio.

A me piace molto il metodo di studio che è diverso.

5. I prof vi paragonano mai tra di voi?

Un sacco.

Sì, molto spesso.

6. Aiuti qualche volta tuo fratello con i compiti?/tua sorella ti aiuta con i compiti?

Lo aiuto molto.

Lei mi aiuta spesso, soprattutto con chimica.

DIY XMAS

Toilet Paper Tube Snowmen

MATERIALS: 1 TOILET PAPER TUBE, COLORED MARKERS, A4 PAPER, SCISSORS, GLUE, BLACK TRATTO PEN.

PROCEDURE:

1. GET ALL THE MATERIALS READY ON YOUR TABLE;
2. CUT THE A4 SHEET SO THAT IT WRAPS PERFECTLY THE PAPER TUBE;
3. STICK THE A4 PAPER AROUND THE TUBE USING YOUR GLUE;
4. USING YOUR SCISSORS, CUT A 20CM OF LENGTH X 3CM OF HEIGHT STRIP OF PAPER AND COLOR IT AS YOU LIKE TO MAKE THE SCARF OF YOUR SNOWMAN;
5. GLUE YOUR "SCARF" TO THE SNOWMAN AS SHOWN IN THE MIDDLE PICTURE;
6. START DRAWING YOUR SNOWMAN'S FACE AND BUTTONS USING A BLACK "TRATTO PEN" : FIRST OF ALL, DRAW TWO CIRCLES FOR THE EYES ON TOP, LEAVE SOME SPACE FOR THE NOSE AND DO THE SMILE; TO CONCLUDE, DRAW 3-5 VERTICAL POINTS UNDER THE "SCARF"
7. CUT SOME PAPER CREATING A TRIANGLE FOR THE NOSE;
8. USE THE ORANGE MARKER TO COLOR THE NOSE AND GLUE IT UNDER THE EYES AND ABOVE THE SMILE AND THE SCARF;
9. WELL DONE! YOUR SNOWMAN IS READY TO BE SHOWN TO EVERYBODY AND TO BE ADDED TO YOUR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS!



DIY XMAS

Watercolour cards

Materials: scissors, 2 sheets of paper, watercolours, hole puncher, glue, gift ribbon, glitter, stickers, silver and gold paint.



1. Paint with watercolours a piece of paper
2. Cut up triangles from the paper, as shown in the picture
3. Take a rectangular white card and glue the coloured triangles to it
4. Use a hole puncher to punch the top of the card
5. Glue star stickers on the top of the trees
6. To decorate the cards and draw Christmas balls, use glitter, Christmas stickers, gold, and silver paint
7. Finally, tie a colourful ribbon in the hole of the card, and voilà your Christmas cards are ready!



Professors' Christmas trees

Guess who has the following Christmas trees!



1



2



3



4



5



6



7



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OPTIONS

Camarda

Sassetti

Rice

Roccatagliata

Lanciano

Celli

Sangiovani

Andreani

SOLUTIONS

Rice 1

Sassetti 2

Camarda 3

Roccatagliata 4

Lanciano 5

Andreani 6

Sangiovani 7

Celli 8

ISREAL AND PALESTINE

*A short summary on the
Isreal and Palestinian issue.*

The question of Palestine and Israel dates back to the end of the first world war, where it was decided to place Palestine under the administration of Britain that was supposed to help the nation become fully independent. Britain promised the Zionist Organisation (an organisation that believed in the foundation of a Jewish state in Palestine) to establish such a state.

A resolution was proposed where it was decided to divide Palestine into two states: one Arab and one Jewish, which was rejected by the middle east. To create the state of Israel, the Israeli forces killed and displaced Palestinians, and when the state was recognized by the UN it was attacked by Syria, Egypt and Jordan. Years later Palestinian had a general election for the first time, where they voted for Hamas, who had had a series

of goals, including the destruction of the state of Israel. Israel reacted by imposing a land, air, and naval blockade on the Gaza strip. From then on Israel launched four military attacks on Gaza: in 2008, 2012, 2014, 2021 and in 2023, while Hamas attacked Israeli cities with rockets in the last 15 years. On the 7th of October 2023 Hamas attacked Israel, killing 1,200 civilians and bringing 240 hostages into the Gaza strip. In response, Israel has been continuously bombing Gaza, and blocked the entrance of resources.



There have also been episodes of the Israel defence forces sending messages to citizens in north Gaza to escape to the south to avoid bombings, who were then attacked by airstrikes. The Gaza Ministry of health has claimed that more then 11,000 civilians have been killed since October 7th, and this number is increasing every day. The United Nations has warned that Gaza has turned into a "graveyard of children", and to cease fire immediatly. A four day humanitarian initiative by the US was decided, which began Friday the 24th of November. Palestinian prisoners being freed from prisons in Israel and Israeli hostages being freed by Hamas caused the truce to be extended for another two days. With more than 13,000 civilians falling victim to this conflict, the hope for the future is to ceasefire and to avoid the killing of even more innocent people.

Heart Global

Agli inizi di ottobre abbiamo avuto l'opportunità di partecipare a un workshop internazionale insieme agli studenti del Liceo Deledda. Quante emozioni! Il cast dal primo secondo è stato insieme a noi ed è stato accogliente, fantastico e ci ha trasmesso un'adrenalina che tutt'ora mi fa venire i brividi. Il cast gira tutto il Mondo, infatti ritornavano dal Giappone, e abbiamo scoperto che per molti ragazzi era la loro prima volta in Italia e grazie alle famiglie ospitanti hanno conosciuto a fondo la città di Genova e molti altri paesini nei dintorni.

Ecco qua l'opinione di Esther, un'altra studentessa che ha vissuto quest'avventura!!

“All'inizio non sapevo bene cosa fosse, sapevo che era una compagnia di ballerini che facevano tour in giro per il mondo ma nient'altro. Non avevo idea di cosa avremmo fatto durante le tre giornate. Questo workshop mi è piaciuto molto perché ho avuto modo di conoscere tantissime persone giovani e di talento che mi hanno ispirata molto. Sono anche molto felice di tutte le lezioni che abbiamo fatto, sia di ballo che di canto.

Con il cast mi sono trovata molto bene, erano tutti molto giovani ed è stato facile creare delle connessioni e dei legami. Nonostante siamo stati insieme solo 3 giorni, i membri del cast sono persone che ti restano nel cuore. Ho avuto anche modo di conoscere altri ragazzi/e del Deledda con i quali ho fatto amicizia.

Questa esperienza mi ha ricordato quanto io ami il mondo dello spettacolo e sono molto felice di aver avuto quest'opportunità che penso in qualche modo mi abbia aiutata a crescere e uscire dalla mia comfort-zone”



This article was written by Anna Bozzo who participated to Heart Global

THE ORIGINALS

MRS. PEREZ



I grew up in the United States, primarily in New England, but moved to Miami, Florida for academic purposes. I grew up in a multicultural environment, and because I was exposed to a variety of languages, I developed a strong interest in literature and language, especially English. I know English and Italian now, but I studied French, German and Spanish when I was younger, but that does not mean I know them. In my life, I have had several different jobs.

I have always valued teaching and helping

others develop new skills, and I have always valued being part of a group and our common humanity. While at Miami International University I had a creative writing teacher who really stood out to me in my life, he's one of the reasons I became a teacher. He was always cool, always smiled at us and was a huge inspiration to me, he gave me the important things to have as a teacher. Which I would outline as: coming to school CLEAN, with a clear mind, to be there for my students and not the other way around. Looking back at my time at DIS, one class in particular captured my heart: the class of 2019. They were humorous, but they also knew how to roll up their sleeves and get to work. I remember spiritual weeks and community activities with a smile, because where we could get away from the interactions between teachers and students and just be humans. Lastly, if I could talk to my younger self or the younger generation, I would tell them to "take it easy, just enjoy it" and remember to develop beautiful memories and cherish every bit of it, even when it's hard.

MR. ROCCATAGLIATA

I was born in Genoa and grew up here, but for a period of my life I've been in Spain. I know different languages: Italian, my mother tongue, English, Spanish since I lived there for a short period of my life, and German from school. When I went to university, I got my degree in industrial design and did a master in the corresponding subject. In school the most challenging part for me was managing a project and all its complications.



I had to learn by my own how to follow the steps to produce successfully the project because in my school years I was never used to do so. Becoming a teacher was not one of the jobs I thought about, and for this reason, it was mostly a casual thing, an opportunity. Being a teacher is always a great responsibility since you have the mission to make your students learn and succeed in your subject and, at the same time, it's a great satisfaction when you see them learn and progress.

My "idol" is not just one person, I'd say many different that go from design, music, photography, politics, to family. The memories that I made at DIS I always remember them with a smile on my face. My favorite class in all these years at DIS was probably my first one, MYP2 of 2014 (class of 2020). In this school I get along very well with every colleague, so I wouldn't say I have a favorite one. And finally, to my younger self, I would say to be patient!

Theater Lab in Primary 5!

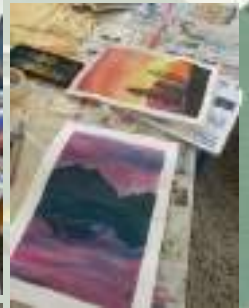
Giovedì 23 novembre alle ore 11,10 è venuta a scuola l'attrice dialettale Bianca Podestà, che ha letto ai bambini di quinta la canzone in genovese che faremo per Natale.

La maestra Enza Nalbone ha impostato una breve rappresentazione teatrale dove i bambini hanno recitato e cantato in genovese.

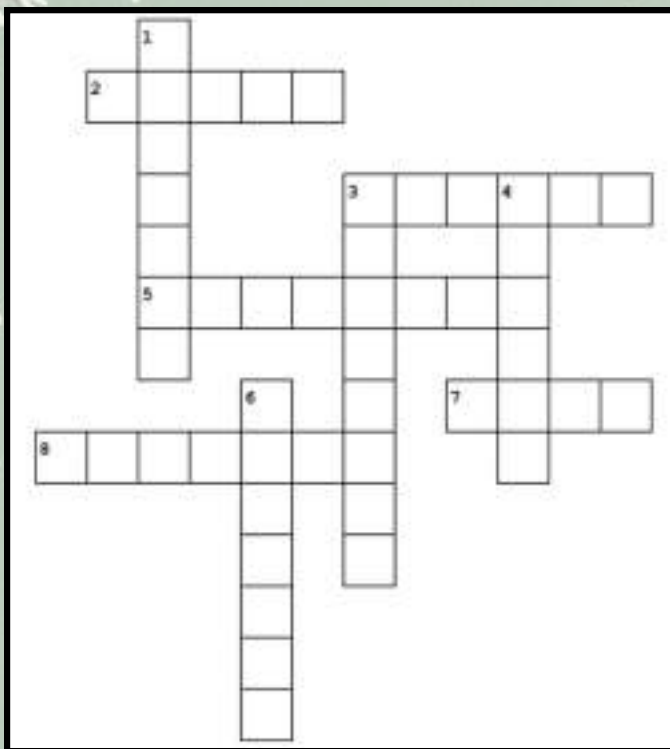


ROMANTIC LANDSCAPES

This year's MYP3 students have studied about the Romantic period in art, literature, and history. In art they analysed artists such as Turner, Friedrich and Delacroix, recreating artworks in their style. In this project they learnt how artists from this period would use landscapes to express their feelings and created their own landscapes with the same purpose. They created them using watercolours and the wet on wet technique which allowed them to create these beautiful sunsets and skies in the background. Well done!



Guess the staff member!



SOLUTIONS
 3. Antenore
 2. Polly
 7. Rice
 6. Camarda
 1. Colucci
 8. Stefano
 3. Abtite
 3. Cristina
 4. Ilaria

Across

2. Keeps an eye on you when you are in the corridor.
3. Who organizes our school trips?
5. The dark-haired half of the secretary team.
7. Who is the Head of School at DIS?
8. Who do you go to when you need markers and paper?

Down

1. Who is both a physics teacher and a staff member?
3. Who comes to call you when you get sick?
4. The blonde half of the secretary team.
6. Who is the coordinator of the youngest year group?



Most of DisNews' articles are written by students and young journalists, so please excuse us for any typos.

We thank Aurelio Ruggeri (MYP5) for the wonderful cover page containing some of the many best moments from DIS!



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