



AIMING FOR EXCELLENCE AT LICEO GIOIA

Liceo Statale Melchiorre Gioia

Piacenza

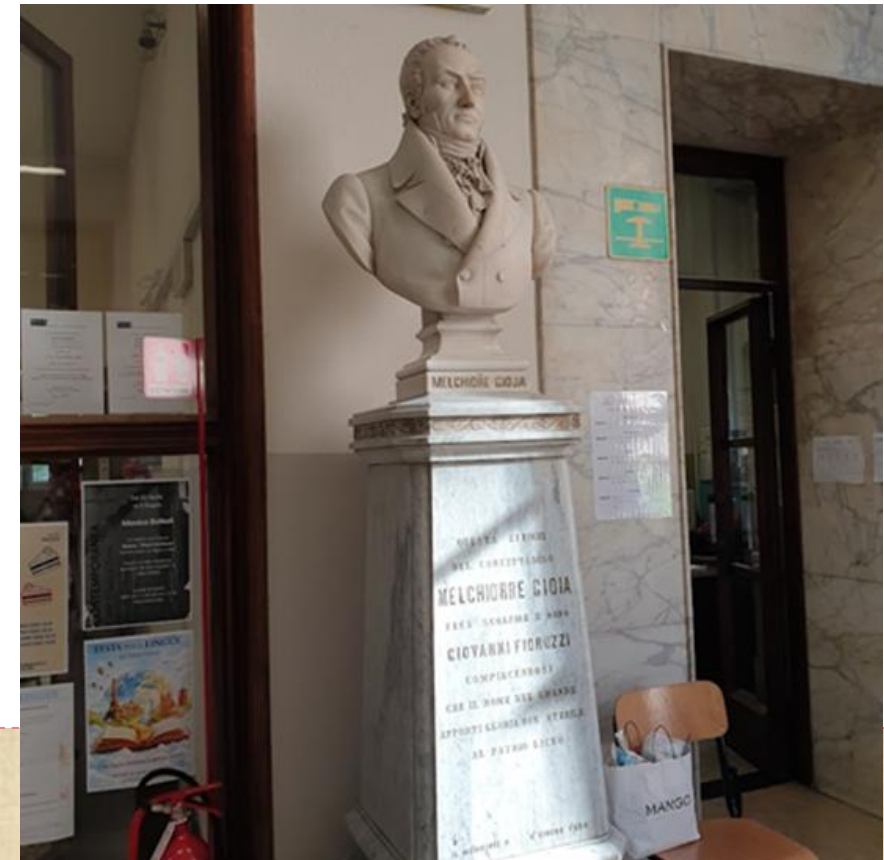
<https://www.liceogioia.edu.it/>

A state operated 5 year high school close to Milan



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Named after Melchiorre Gioia
(1767-1829)



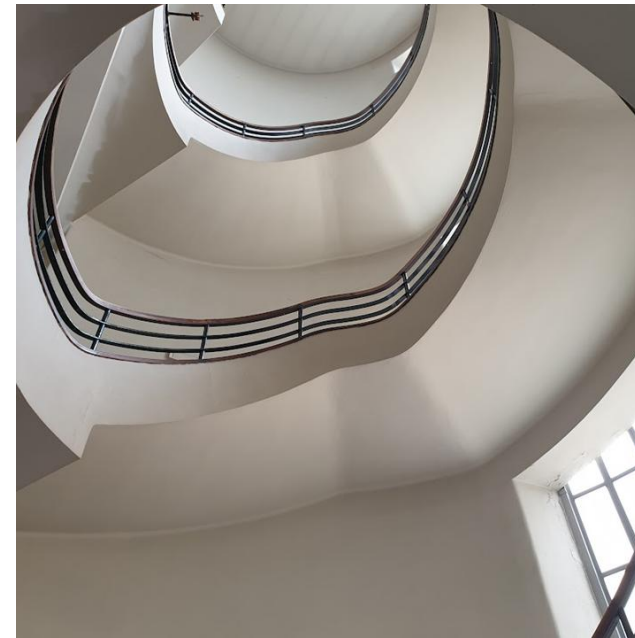


„GIOIA” = JOY, HAPPYNESS

Linked to the school on several levels:

- ♦ „Which of the free governments is best suited to the happiness of Italy?” - free, republican Italy, governed by democratic institutions
- ♦ School philosophy: "increase in the power of the body and mind,, for reaching a „higher state of being” (Spinoza)
- ♦ Classical studies

The spiral staircase and the logo was designed as a symbol as well



Aim: to connect tradition and progress

The 3 programs represents this:

- ♦ Classical, linguistic and scientific studies



My hosts: Luciana – English teacher and Giovanna- Erasmus coordinator



Brainstorming: Library

Community Hub



First steps

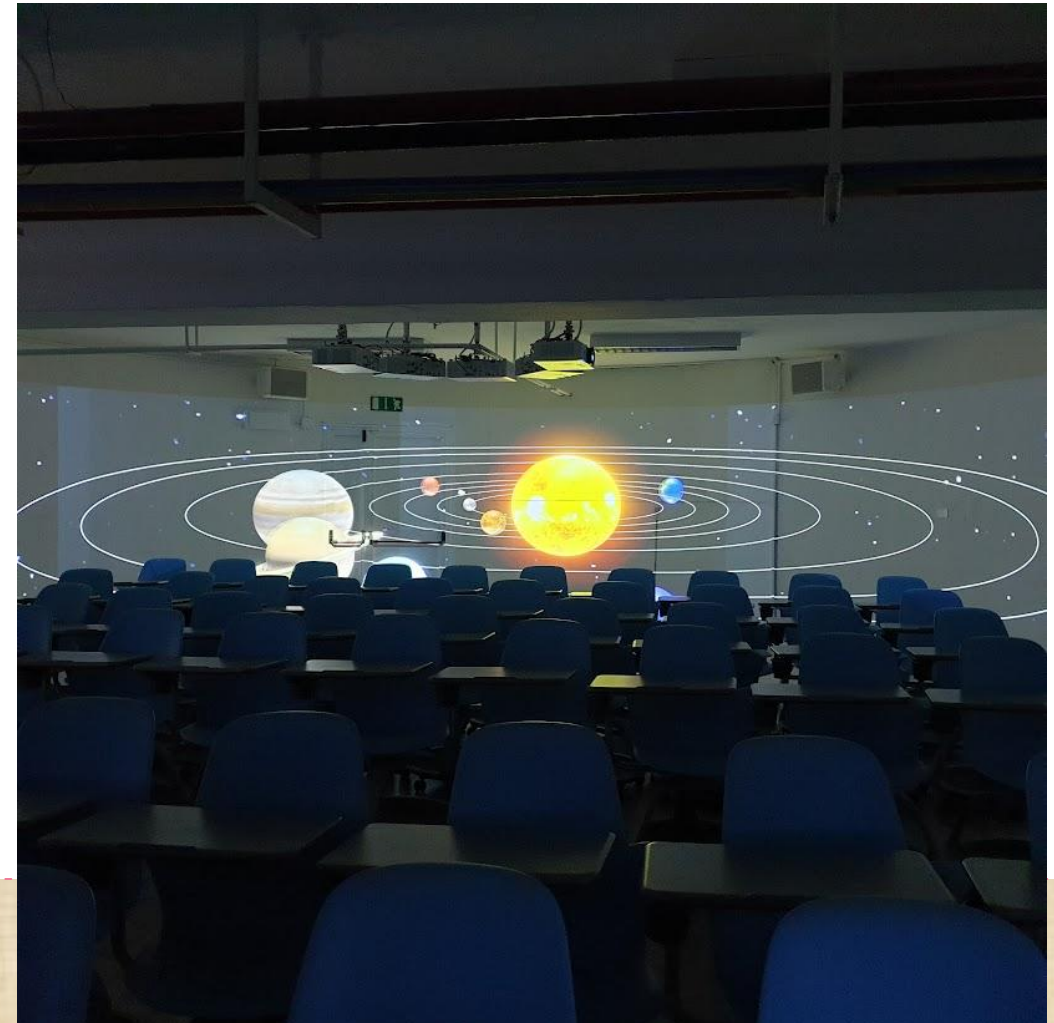
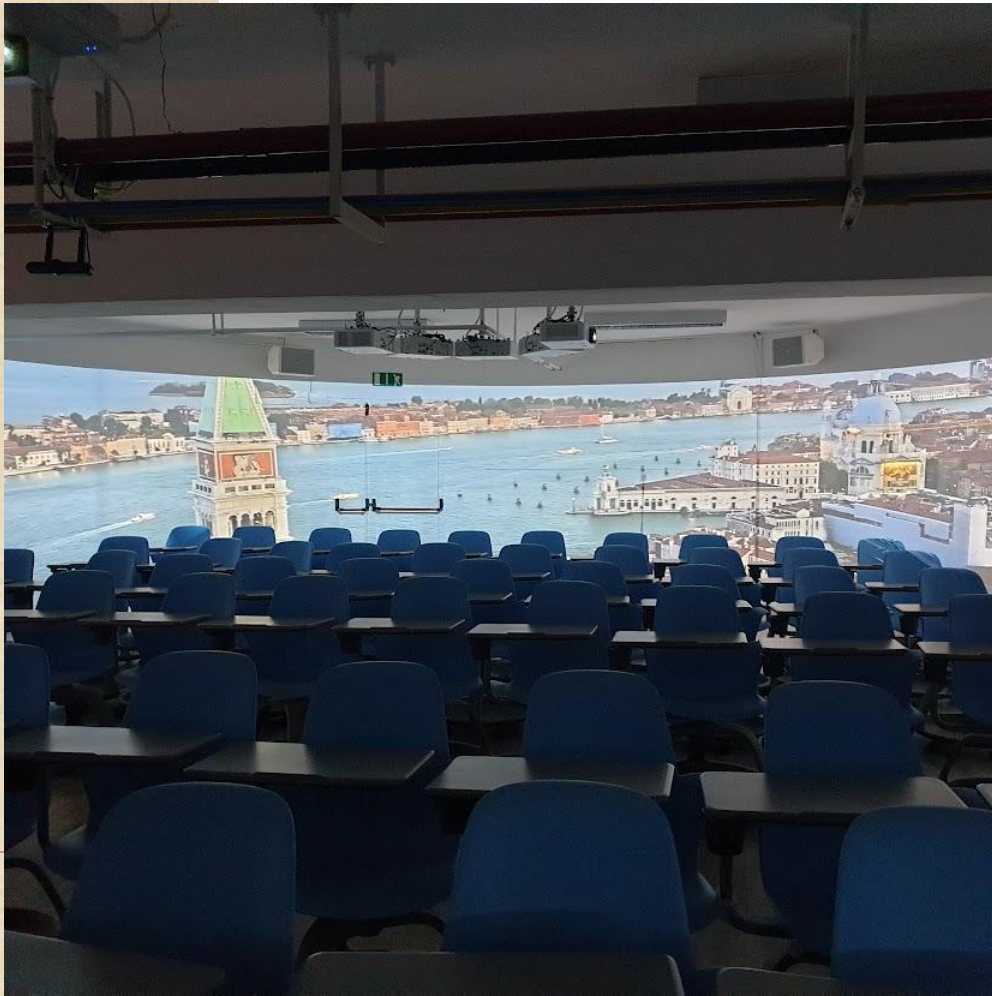


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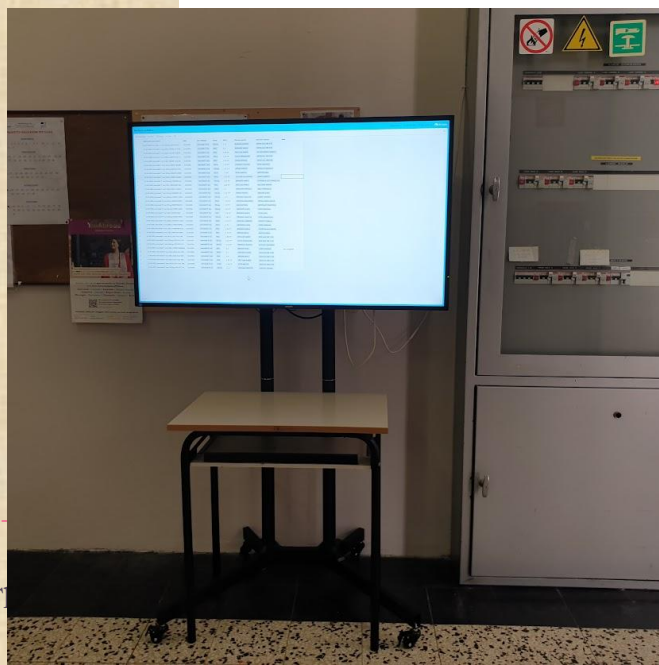


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Future: Media center in the basement



Digitalization with EU funding:





LINGUISTIC PROGRAM

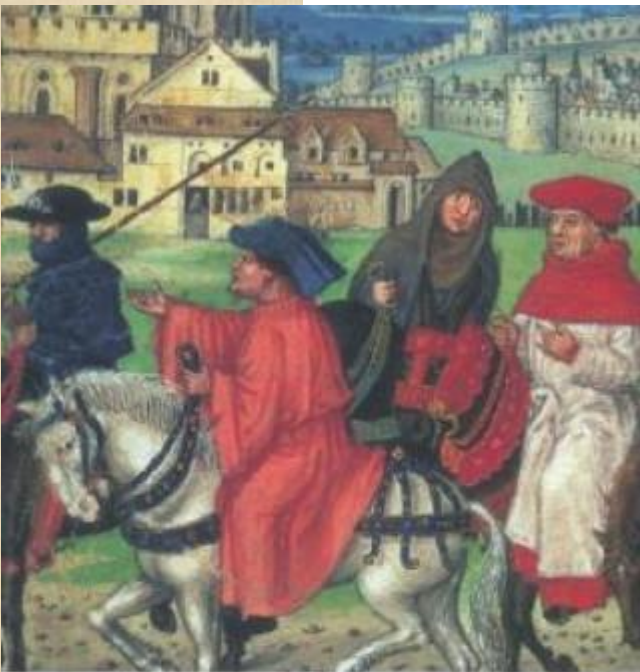
- Italian, Latin, English mandatory for 5 years
- Choosing + 2 languages is the minimum – choices: Spanish, French, German, Chinese, Japanese
- English teaching:
first 2 years: grammar and communication
One grammar book for the 5 years

From the 3rd year: based on literature

12

3 lessons/week: 1 comprehension and analization, 1 grammar, 1 communication
chronological order, at least 4 novel studies by year

Methods: lots flipped classroom, CLIL, discussion and presentation based



PENGUIN CLASSICS

GEOFFREY CHAUCER

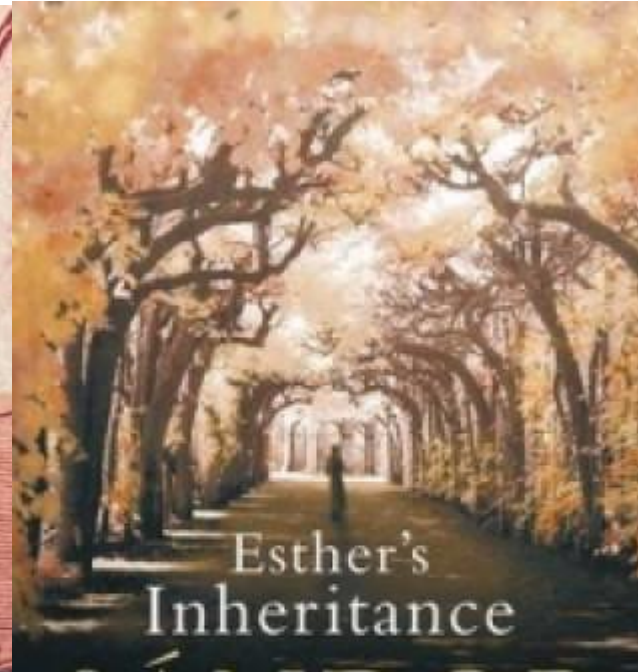
The Canterbury Tales



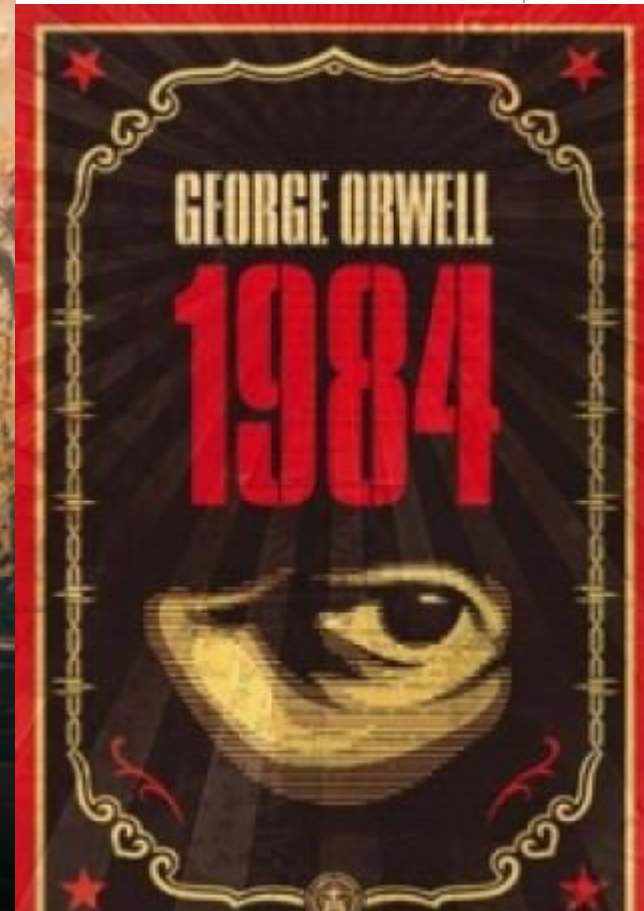
PENGUIN CLASSICS

DANIEL DEFOE

Robinson Crusoe



Esther's
Inheritance
SÁNDOR
MÁRAI



Assessment methods

- ♦ Presentations – by student interest e.g. Passions
- ♦ Smartboard – ActiveInspire Tool

<https://www.prometheanworld.com/products/software/activinspire/>

- ♦ Internal exams – cooperative examination based on prepared worksheets
- ♦ focus on text
- ♦ group exam



Piacenza impressions:
strong program, built on
modernized traditions
with dedicated students
and teachers

