



The Alabarda

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Kinder 5: Celebrates One Hundred Days of School

In Kinder Five, spring is in full bloom and we have planted daffodils in our garden. We have begun our unit on growing plants and we will be recording their growth and with the sunny days ahead we hope to see them bloom soon. We also learned the William Wordsworth poem "Daffodils." For our science unit we have been exploring magnets, finding all of the magnetic things in the classroom that. This week in math, we began simple subtraction, using manipulative we have demonstrated how to take away a specific number from a group. We have also been studying shapes and creating mobiles with the different shapes we have learned about. Last week we had a field trip to The Orazio Bobbio Theatre where we got to watch "Ciclo, riciclo e triciclo." Last Wednesday,

we celebrated 100 Days of School and we made hats that said 100 on them. We are looking forward to the warmer school days.

We also celebrated One Hundred Days of School! For our celebration, we made crowns that said one hundred on them, counted to one hundred in fives and tens, estimated one hundred gummy lizards, strung cheerio necklaces with one hundred



cheerios on them and used our imaginations to draw pictures of what we might look like in one hundred years. We had a great time and can't wait for the next one hundred!

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ELEMENTARY READ-A-THON:

The First Annual Elementary Read-A-Thon is off to a fabulous start! Students are excited to get pledges to read, raise money, and reach their goals. The money that is raised is going to UNICEF, to help children who survived the earthquakes in Haiti and Chile.

The Read-A-Thon will run through Friday, March 26th. Thanks for all of the parent and teacher support for this exciting campaign!

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER: The photographer will be at IST during one whole day next week.

EASTER BREAK: Thursday, April 1st will be the last day of school before the Easter Break. Classes will end normally at 3:45 pm. School will re-open Monday April, 12th

WEB SITE: We wish to inform all the families that access the Newsletter area: it is now subject to registration because of Privacy laws. Therefore, in order to visualize the Alabarda, it is necessary to register (name and surname) avoiding nicknames. Thank you for your cooperation.

PTA KEYS: In case anyone found the keys to the PTA cupboard, please return them to the Guards. Thank you for your cooperation!

BAKE SALE: Thanks to students and families of Grade 3 who supported the Bake Sale, we collected € 103.50. Congratulations and keep it up.

Early Childhood

In Kinder Two, students are learning about farm animals by studying their characteristics, habitats and sounds. We are focusing on the number seven. We are also comparing similarities and differences of size and color, learning to identify all of the different shapes. In Science, we learned about the sense of touch. We used our sense of touch while playing a game where we each had to find a donkey tail and pin it on a donkey with our eyes closed.

In Kinder Three, we have been discussing the transition from winter to spring. We talked about colors and shapes and are making kites and rainbows with these shapes and colors. We have been studying the number six. This month, we will continue our counting up to seven and practice writing the number seven in our number books. In Letter land, we have visited Golden Girl and Hairy Hat Man. This month is Father's Day and we are all working on a special surprise for our Dads.

In Kinder Four, we celebrated Valentine's Day and wrote letters to friends and family. We have learned the letter sound /K/ and we made kings' crowns to wear. We read stories about kangaroos and koalas, and discovered Australia on our classroom globe. Last week, we visited Uligrai Bakery where we saw all of the machinery and work that goes into making yummy pastries. Ms. Giulia is helping in our classroom and we thank her very much for all she does.