



## **English language course**

### **Premise**

St. Philip School is bilingual (Italian / English). Bilingual is someone who is able to speak, read and write properly in two different languages.

The period of kindergarten is a unique phase in the life of a child and is made even more special by learning a second language, a process that takes place naturally without any pressure, all in a nice and "fit for Children" way. Studies have shown that the acquisition of a second language at an early age provides great benefits from the cognitive point of view, favouring the child's attention and giving benefits in social integration.

### **Training**

St. Philip School, regarding the teaching of English, uses only the professionalism of native speakers. In kindergarten we perform the teaching of English for 3 hours a day in each class, for a total of 15 hours weekly. In the ordinary course of several daily activities proposed, the children are constantly accompanied and stimulated by native teachers who interact only ever in English. We use picture-word association through play, visual aids, songs and rhymes giving them the opportunity to learn English while having fun.

The formation process of St. Philip School makes children self-capable and able to adapt easily to different training actions and languages on a daily basis, at the same time, children carrying on the same activities; the afternoon every action is appropriate to fatigue and concentration of children.

### **General objectives of kindergarten:**

- **1st phase:** accretion of executive functions (language, cognition and development);
- **2nd phase:** the development of self-esteem from the point of view of language;
- **3rd stage:** passive acquisition of the vocabulary of the English language and therefore autonomy in the construction of the phrase.



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### **General objectives of primary school**

- **1st phase:** literacy, first writing and reading of the words (1st class);
- **2nd phase:** development of writing and reading (2nd class);
- **3rd stage:** preparation for the acquisition of certifications Cambridge Young Learners (YLE) "Starters, Movers, Flyers" (A1 / A2).

### **Conclusion**

The philosophy of St. Philip is to apply the method One Person One Language (OPOL) to prevent the child mixing two or more languages; a person a language.

The activities in the language should be fun and exciting, transmitted playfully and naturally, focusing on concepts that children have already acquired in their native language. In this way they will not have to learn two things but they will be able to express the same concept in two different languages.