

“DON LUIGI STURZO” OPEN DAY

(Di fronte l'ingresso della scuola)

Alessio: Hi, what's your name?

Marco: Hi, my name is Marco.

Alessio: Can I help you?

Marco: I'm looking for my tutor to visit this school

Alessio: I'm Alessio, a tutor of yours. Wait a moment, please: I'm going to call the other one.

(Alessio chiama Sonia)

Sonia: Hey, I'm Sonia. Nice to meet you. We are your tutors for today. Follow us.

(i tre cominciano a camminare per il cortile e si fermano davanti alla palestra)

Sonia: This is the gym.

(Entrano in palestra)

Sonia: Here students can practise sports, such as: football, volleyball and badminton.

Alessio: And there is a Isoa fitness room where students can work out.

Sonia: Next to the gym there is the Building B.

Alessio: In fact our school consists of two buildings, called A and B, to distinguish the classrooms of the different types of courses that students can choose to attend after the first two years where we follow a common programme.

Sonia: You can choose between four types of courses according to four branches of different specializations: Finance and Marketing, Tourism, Business Information System and, since this year, International Relationships too.

Alessio: International Relationships course is very similar to Finance and Marketing course, but you study a third language there

Marco: Which language?

Sonia: You can choose between Russian, Chinese and Arabic.

Alessio: Let's go inside the building A, where Finance and Marketing classrooms are located and where there are different laboratories
(i tre si dirigono verso il plesso a)

Sonia: On the ground floor there are: an auditorium, two secretaries, a library, the headmaster office, the office of the Director of Administrative Services, and the office of collaborators of the headmaster
On the first floor there are: a science lab, physics lab and a chemistry lab.

Alessio: On the second floor there are: a language lab, a computer lab and a music lab.

Marco: Have you got a music lab?!

Sonia: Yes because we have a project called "music and movement" which involves the most talented students.

Alessio: On the third floor there are just classrooms. In the afternoon students are involved in the different project's activities.

Marco: Wow, this school offers so many possibilities. I think that I will be part of this school next year.

Thank you for your help, I hope to meet you again.

Alessio and Sonia: Bye!

Sonia: I hope too, bye.

Alessio: Bye bye.

Let's summarize

"Don Luigi Sturzo" is a secondary school.
It consists of two buildings called A and B
It is a technical institute with four branches of specializations:

- 1) Finance and marketing
- 2) Business Information Systems
- 3) Tourism
- 4) International Relationships

Studies last 5 years.

Students enter when they are 13/14 and they end their studies when they are 18/19

The first two years offer a common programme

Then students choose the branch of specialization that they prefer.

Usually lessons begin at 8:10 am and they end at 2:00 p.m.

At the end of the 5th year students obtain a certificate called "Diploma" and then they can work or they can go to University.

Students who attended our school have several possibilities of finding a job according to their specialization: for instance they can work in an accounting office, or in an enterprise administrative office, they can work as computer experts or they can work in the sector of tourism as a guide or as receptionist in a hotel

And now the Italian school system in a few words:

In Italy most of the schools are public and studies are free even if private schools exist but they are not very popular.

Education is compulsory from the age of 6 till the age of 16.

The school system is organized centrally by the Ministry of Public Education with a limited didactic but schools have a certain organisational autonomy.

The structure of the Italian school system consists of 4 levels:

Scuola Materna (not compulsory) for children from 3 to 5 years old

Scuola Elementare for children from 6 to 10 years old

Scuola Media Inferiore from 11 to 13 years old

Scuola Media Superiore from 14 to 18 years old.

There are several types of Scuola Media Superiore that is the Upper secondary School but they can be divided in 3 great groups:

A) Licei that are Lycaeums and prepare only to Universities studies

B) Istituti Tecnici that are Technical High School and allow you also to work immediately

C) Istituti Professionali that are Vocational High School and that are focused only to practical jobs

Our school "Don Luigi Sturzo" belongs to the second group.

Lessons usually last 60 minutes.

Except for labs, students have lessons five days a week only in the morning and always in the same classroom where the different teachers turn over