



# **EVS PROJECT "SEED for FUTURE"**

**Proposition for European voluntary service project  
ANZIO, ITALY**

**Project duration:** 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2016 to the 31<sup>st</sup> of May  
2017

## **Hosting organization background**

IV ISTITUTO COMPRENSIVO DI ANZIO is a primary school, located in the province of Rome. The school provide education to scholars from the age of 3 to the age of 13 years old.

The school is active in programming and providing learning experience to children base on non formal education. The main activities organized are workshops classes to make children develops competences, skills and attitudes base on active learning.

Related to this application the school is doing a pilot project call school in the wood "La scuola nel bosco dei conigli" and is lancing this year classes activities base on outdoor experience. This project that directly involve two class of 28 children for each will take place in an outdoor park that allowed children to entirely enjoy natural environment and learn by play with it. This project is set up for a strong national partnership that include the Municipality of Anzio, local organization of the third sector involved in education to environment at different level, the school itself, the third University of Rome, and others.

## **Main topics:**

***non-formal education, environment, outdoor education, children,***

## **Project description**

The project "education in nature" is a pilot project to introduce outdoor education in everyday school activities with the idea of "*doing school out of school*".

So outdoor activities are planned two times a week to give the opportunity to children's to live experiences and learn by doing.

Education in nature is base on observation, listening, experimentation using the best environment to learn Nature. Children are surrounded from input that support the natural development of his/her movement, the possibility to live and explore, test their abilities and skills, get in the adventure, be engage.

The project support the learning using the method "I discover, I know, I learn".

The construction of a natural learning environment that support the cooperative learning, group cohesion, team building, social interaction, inclusion.

Outdoor activities make children's become more active and reactive able to act, react and find solution to problems, develop autonomies and multidimensionality

## **Volunteer learning agreement:**

The volunteers involved in the project will have the opportunity to experiment diverse kind of activities:

- Educational activities and workshops with kids about environment, nature, handmade games, outdoors

See below some specific content the volunteer will be able to explore:

- the development of the 5 senses
- orienteering
- hiking
- art and craft
- the use of wood and natural to build games and objects
- tree climbing
- solar clock
- learning by doing experiences and activities
- responsibilities and personal awareness

The volunteer will learn

- to work in an inter cultural team
- to follow instruction
- to propose ideas and develop those
- to have deeper knowledge about non formal education and learning
- to be aware about the benefits of outdoor education
- to project, implement and evaluate educational activities
- the Italian educational context for primary education

More over:

- learn to live with group of volunteers
- learn to live in a new country
- learn Italian culture and language

## **Voluntary profile:**

This project is addressed to any kind of youth, from different background and no special experience in the field of education and children.

It is a valid opportunity of learning for those that will show a special interest to live an experience and learn to learn with children in an outdoor environment.

It is required to be open, ready to play games and invent new ones and would be show to be person open, sociable, sunny and kind and engaged.

## **Responsible of the project:**

Elisa Pellirossi, project coordinator (coordinating organization)

Eleonora Sica, Tutor of the volunteer (hosting organization)

**Accommodation:**

The volunteer will be hosted in a volunteer's apartment where there are 3 volunteers in total sharing rooms, toilets, kitchen living room.

**Transport:**

The volunteer have the opportunity to receive a bike equipment to use to move in autonomy, Anzio e Nettuno are close cities ( 2 km on from another) and bike distance are between 4 and 8 kms.

**Project vanue**

The project take place in the Municipality of Anzio, a town of 50000 habitants in the direct surrounding of Rome (40 km in the south). Anzio is in the seaside, and is a place reach of history and culture. By been close to Rome is a reference point for the tourism.



The municipality is near by Nettuno, the closes town (2km) and with it they share service and activities.

This is a liveable territory to live in winter and summer. Especially in summer gain population because numerous tourist comes to enjoy the sea.

In the city you can easily move by train, bus or bike because distance are contained.

**Activity place:**

The activity will take place 3 times a week out of the school, once in a public swimming pool, twice in a Park where the outdoor educational activities take place.

Twice a week in the school class.



### Activity schedule:

The project is composed of 34 hours week activities, 5 day of work 2 day of free time per week from Monday to Friday.

The volunteer collect to 2 days of holiday each month.

In case some activities are organize in the week end the volunteer has the right to recover before the end of the following month.

|           | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday                                | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday    | Sunday      |
|-----------|---|--|--|--|--|-------------|-------------|
| Morning   | 9 - 15<br><b>“school in the wood”</b><br>organization of educational activities outdoor | 9 -15<br><b>education indoor</b><br>organization of activity and workshop in class | 9 -15<br>swimming pool<br>sport activity | 9 -15<br><b>education indoor</b><br>organization of activity and workshop in class | 9 -15<br><b>“school in the wood”</b><br>organization of educational activities outdoor | <b>FREE</b> | <b>FREE</b> |
| LUNCH*    | 12-13   | 12-13  | 12-13                                    | 12-13  | 12-13  |             |             |
| afternoon |   |  | Language** course                        | Language** course  |  |             |             |

\* **Lunch** : from Monday to Friday lunch are provided by the school restaurant service

\*\* **Language course** is provided with the support of OLS (Online language support)

**Find more information about the applicants:**

**Facebook page:** [La scuola nel Bosco dei conigli](#)

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