

2° Workshop Grundtvig Project :3MFG Millenium family-generation

The intergenerational dialogue

On 22nd May 2013 ,the I.C. Laura Lanza hosted the second workshop dedicated to the Grundtvig project **3rdMilleniumFamily-Generation**,our school is carrying on succesfully cooperating with The Volunteers' Association "Speranza" located in Carini.

Many parents and grandparents welcomed the event taking part actively to the debate managed by the Psychologist Doctor A.Barretta. The theme exploited has been the lack of communication among generations ,especially the newest ones,parents and children.

Which are the reasons? And what strategies to adopt to overcome it?

The theme has been very motivating and involving.Many asked to intervene in the debate suggesting different causes and different approaches to manage parents-children relationship. Moreover parents have been questioning about the lack of consciousness in being a parental figure. In fact many of them agreed that , attempting not to make the same mistakes their parents did with them(lack of dialogue due to an excess of severity and detach in the reallationship), they have been trying to become a more friendly and closer figure to their children forgetting to promote the respect towards themselves in their educational function.

Many parents have been blaming against the invasion of the new technologies in their children's life , responsible for stressing the lack of communication among them and the younger generations.Others thought this was due to the lack of spare time to dedicate to the dialogue with their children becuse of more and more urgent work and life – styles.

They regretted about having so little time as it is important to pick up every sign coming from their children in order to help them in their growth process.

Everyone agreed, in any case, that sharing positive values should be the priority in any educational attitude parents-children.

Summing up it has been concluded that :

-A Third millennium parent shouldn't be superficial or careless towards his/her own child , because of the continuous evolution the younger generations have to face, due also to a continuously evolving society.

-It is straightly important to be more careful and more present in children's life although maintaining a definite difference among the roles parent -children.

-It is also important to know the new world the children live in , even though it's totally different from the parents'one.