

Education Department of the Italian Consulate General in London

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Strategic action 2: Increase the opportunities for learners to experience languages alongside examination courses.

Our project is completely funded by the Italian Ministry, since promoting the Italian language abroad is one of Italy's principal initiatives and a key priority in its foreign policy.

- A promotional video has been published on our website <https://sites.google.com/view/italian-education/home>

Our Italian language lessons are going to be taught by mother tongue professional teachers in the upcoming school year 2022/23.

-The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) offers grants in favor of foreign citizens and Italian citizens living abroad for courses in Italy during the academic year 2022-2023. All relevant information, including the list of eligible countries, can be found in the *call for applications* <https://studyinitaly.esteri.it/en/call-for-procedure>

Candidates must apply only through the platform *Study in Italy* https://studyinitaly.esteri.it/en/home_borse by June 9th, 2022 at 2 p.m. (C.E.T.).

-Three primary schools were entered in the Poesiae competition for recital and Art. They all participated with enthusiasm and with great pride we celebrated our 2 winners (yr4- and yr6) in the Recital category and 2 commendation in the Art entries (two yr 3s). Prizes and certificates were also given out for the in-school competition and PP were made. We definitely will continue this experience next year and, as mentioned to the Poesiae's founder in the feedback email, we will expand it to more schools - possibly to the secondaries as it is open from Yr3 to yr13.

-Informal meeting with the Italian Honorary Consul in Cardiff to discuss possibilities to expand further the courses in Wales (including extracurricular).

-Two teachers were contacted and now Sial, our partner organization, will start the recruiting process.

- Yr 8 students of a school were given the opportunity to have taster sessions in Italian to help them to choose a MFL in their GCSES options.

Strategic action 5: Deliver a national campaign that addresses the negative perceptions of language learning.

- In March the delivery plan for the first two tasks, for Entry 3 of LPW, were approved by QW and 3 students, in two different schools, were happy to approach this certification. We interacted with the coordinator of LPW for WJEC, and we uploaded the evidence for this year's session.

- For next year our aim is to include another school as well, as the first two are definitely optimistic and enthusiastic about the possibility of implementing this certification.