

Chuaigh grúpa ó Scoil Raifteirí go dtí an Iodáil, Mí Bealtaine, 2007 A group went from Scoil Raifteirí to Italy, May, 2007 Un gruppo è andato da Scoil Raifteirí all'Italia, maggio, 2007

Tuesday, May 15



Partenza: departure at 00.30am, May 15



Seo muid san eitleán



Ecco Ancona!



Coming in to land



Ecco ci siamo!



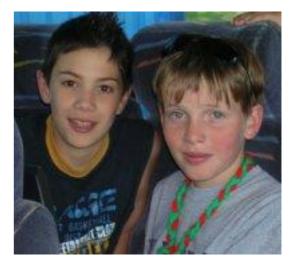
Aspettando gli Irlandesi





The bus won't leave till everyone's sitting with their belts on





Le chéile ar an mbus



There was a lovely welcome for us at the school



C'era un concerto per noi alla scuola



Bhí an ceol go hálainn



Labhair Máire Treasa agus na húdaráis áitiúla



Obviously the children were more interested in what Máire Treasa had to say

Italy was good fun. The family I was staying with was nice and the food was good. I hope to return there some time during the summer. Eoin (John)



C'era anche un buffet alla scuola





Wednesday, May 16



Ancona



The food in Ireland is good, but the food in Italy is better. The pizza and pasta is lovely and the drinks are nice. Conor



Chuamar go dtí an Comhdáil in Ancona Il Mondo del Pesce Incontra Il Mondo della Scuola



We showed our project at the exposition The World of Fishing Meets the World of Education



Bhí buffet eile anseo



Seafood for all!



Now this is what we call food!

When I was in Italy, I loved the tasty food. Over in Italy, they eat a lot of different food. Also, the weather was lovely and hot and sunny. I hope to visit Italy in the near future. Ciarán











Pesaro



Siopadóireacht

I had a great time in Italy. Here are five reasons why I loved Italy. 1:The family I stayed with were really friendly 2:I loved the Italian food so much!! 3:I loved the shows that the school put on. 4:All the children were so friendly and always tried their best to understand you 5:We had so much fun on Thursday night at the party!! I have a lot more reasons why I enjoyed Italy soooo much. Thank you all so much for your great hospitality. Bye for now!

Lucy





Ecco la spiaggia a Pesaro



Bhí na cnoic go hálainn



Two views of the same hill

Italy was great fun because the family I was staying with were very nice. The food was very nice. The weather was nice. All my friends were there and all the Italian kids were great fun. Jack



A visit to Gradara in the evening



Baile álainn ar chnoc le caisleán





Dove sono le macchine?



Veduta di Rimini



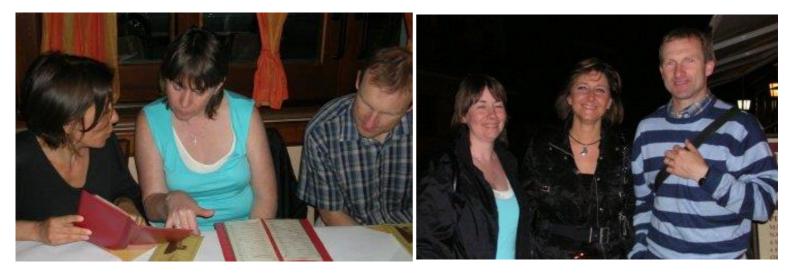
A lovely sunset highlighting San Marino on a distant hill











The teaching staff of the school treated us to a lovely meal in a pizzeria

The pizza in Ireland is good, but not as good as Italian pizza. It is raining in Ireland. It is sunny in Italy. Playing soccer in Italy was good. Mark





Bhí an oíche go hálainn









Thursday, May 17



Bricfeasta ag an óstán...



...and a little light reading



Ci siamo incontrati alla scuola



School for some...



...but not for us



Bhíomar ar an mbealach go dtí Urbino

Urbino was a beautiful town. The cobble streets were very nice. The duke's house was very interesting. I would definitely go back again. Ronan



Baile álainn



Bella città



Beautiful city

I really enjoyed my trip on the Gemellaggio trip to Italy. My favourite part was the day trip to the town of Urbino. We did a lot of interesting things there including visiting a palace. It was my favourite part of the stay. Oisín



Time for some fun before exploring the town



II Gruppo: click <u>here</u> to see a large version



Pretty as a picture



Its centro storico now boasts the honour of being included in the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites



Urbino is one of the most important towns in the Marche - indeed in Italy for the tourist in search of great Italian art and architecture



Its beguiling streets well reward the curious traveller

A duke used to live here. We went on a tour inside it, which was less exciting than school! The tour lasted for ages and I learned a lot. Everybody (especially us Irish) was dying of starvation afterwards! Then we went for lunch. I had pasta and chips. Laura

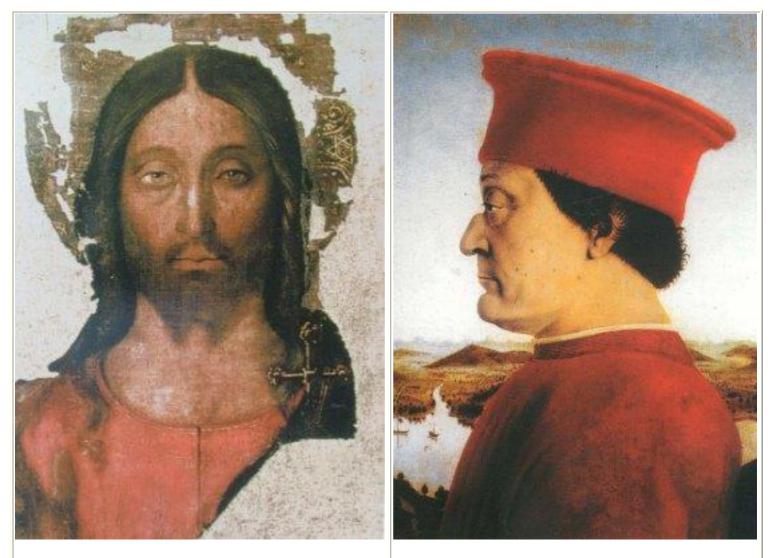


Near the Cathedral is the Palazzo Ducale

Ferdinando kindly gave us a guided tour of the palace

Ha spiegato tanto della storia del palazzo, e ha parlato dei quadri dentro





Depiction of Christ, attributed to *Melozzo da Forlì*

Federico da Montefeltro di *Piero della Francesca*



La Città Ideale dell'Anonimo Fiorentino conservata nel Museo Nazionale di Urbino Hi again Breege here. I really liked Italy. It was the best ever. My best day was Thursday because I thought Urbino was an interesting place to visit. It was a nice walk for me and I was really happy that I got some presents for my family. Later on we went for a meal. The food was really nice and after that we went outside. It was really dark and everyone was roaring and a man came down on a motorbike. Bríd



After the visit, we had time for some more shopping



Later that afternoon, we were treated to another concert at the school

Claudio conducted the music



Lucia prepared the drama Romeo e Giuletta e Juliana

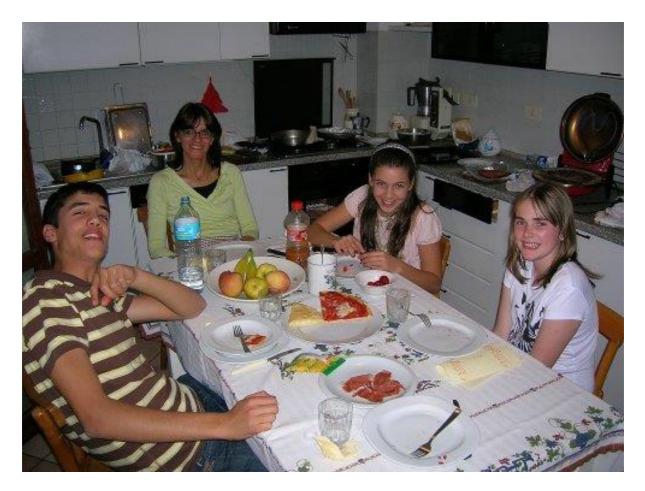


My favourite thing about being in Italy was the family. They were so sound. There were four of them. My second favourite thing was meeting Valentino Rossi. He lived in the next town. I met him and the family got me a Rossi t-shirt, bag, cap and other small bits. My third favourite was playing football on the streets. It was like Fifa Streets. Ferdia



Amici per sempere





La Cucina Italiana

It was great the last night that we were in Italy. We ate and ate until our stomachs nearly burst! We had pasta, pizza and cake. They were all delicious. Then we went outside. It was great. We also did other things. We went to a festival in Ancona and we went to the beach and we went to an ancient town called Urbino. I stayed with a great family. They were lovely!

> *I love Italy!!!* Éadaoin

Friday, May 18



Ancona arís: tháinig an dá scoil le chéile



Dunmore East school made their presentation as well

Hey Franco! I had a savage time in Italy. I loved playing football with you, Jack and Andrea. I don't care what happened on Wednesday night. Liverpool are still through the sun-roof. Diarmuid



C'era tempo per un'altra foto del gruppo...



...prima di andare all'aeroporto



Bhí sé in am do **slán** a rá...



...and for another group photo



Ar chasamar leis an gcailín seo cheana?



Seachain na buachaillí seo



Slán leis an Iodáil



Tuirseach traochta ar an turas abhaile ó Bhaile Átha Cliath ar bhus Eugene



Fuaireamar na bronntanais seo ó na múinteoirí sa scoil

Grazie mille a **Antonio**, il preside, ed a **Umberto**, il vice-preside per l'ospilità e tutti questi regali

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Ciao!