

# REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE MCE 2018-2020

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#### ASSOCIATIVE LIFE: AG, COORDINATION, STUDY DAYS

The annual MCE Congress is held in March each year to comply with statutory requirements (elections, approval of the budget and final balance, ...). In March 2019 the National Secretary has been changed and is now Mrs. Anna D'Auria. The General Assembly votes on the annual programme and establishes the mandate of the Board of Directors, which has a first verification at the coordination meeting in early September. This year the pandemic has forced us to change the whole program by convening an AG and an online coordination. This means that the elections for a new Board of Directors will have to be moved to next year.



## 4 pedagogical assets of the freinet pedagogy for a pedagogy of emancipation





PER UNA PEDAGOGIA DELL'EMANCIPAZIONE The MCE has formed groups with moodle platform courses and training courses on:

- democracy at school
- open classes, research, workshops

- the school library, alternative adoption to textbooks

- a formative evaluation without grades

We then published the material on "The 4 steps for an emancipatory pedagogy" and disseminated it in schools.

#### WORKING TROUGH THE DISCIPLINES FROM OUR PERSPECTIVES: THE MANIFESTOS OF LANGUAGE AND MATHEMATICS

Two groups work and organize study days and stages on these two core competencies. The aim is to promote thinking skills, not mechanisms.

### THE INTEGRATED ZERO-SIX SYSTEM: 'AT THREE YEARS ALL THE GAMES ARE DONE' TO OFFER TO ALL THE SAME CHANCES.

We have set up a national research group which, inspired by Freinet, has identified invariants for a popular pedagogy of care along the educational path from birth until the age of six..

#### SUMMER TRAINING CAMPS

In 2019 the fifth edition was held in Chieti with the participation of Rosine Le Bohec, 6 workshops and 140 participants during 4 days. In 2020 we would have had the sixth meeting in Rome but we had to suspend trying alternatives



#### on line

The title of the 2019 edition was "Crossing the Conflict". Education builds bridges, breaks down walls".

Crossing conflict means rediscovering that contradiction is part of life, that it is the salt of knowledge, that it is the warmth of relationships and can lead to unprecedented renewal.

#### NEW HEADQUARTERS AND DOCUMENTATION CENTRE OF POPULAR PEDAGOGY



The new seat was made habitable (also for mothers with babies) with a quite expensive work and the purchase of bookcases and furniture during the summer, using all our resources.

We were able to do training courses before VIDOC-19 stopped all activity. We are very grateful to CA Fimem and to the movements that helped us .

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#### PUBLICATIONS, WEBSITE AND SOCIAL

#### A - BOOK PUBLICATIONS WITH A NEW PUBLISHER



**B. SERIES OF ONLINE PUBLICATIONS (E-BOOKS)** 









#### C – Our magazine : Cooperazione Educativa





RELATIONS AMONG ASSOCIATIONS AND EDUCATION POLICY

1) The campaign for the replacement of grades continued with an evaluation and self-evaluation as a valorization of all subjects. The Ministry of Education and the Parliament finally agreed with that from next year on, grades will no longer be used in primary school. We continued the research with the other professional associations about the development of proposals for the recruitment and training of teachers. Documents for a return to school have been shared with many associations and for measures to contrast educational and material poverty.

2) Saltamuri network and actions to fight poverty and discrimination (vademecum)

The Saltamuri network represents more than 130 associations. It was born after the Ridef 2018 when the need to stop verbal violence and fight against discrimination against migrants, the roms and foreign children in schools.



A 'vademecum' has been prepared and distributed among schools, public institutions and voluntary associations.

Campaigns have been launched on the 30th anniversary of the Convention and for the granting of citizenship to the 8,000,000 children of foreigners born or living in Italy from an early age.



Schools are called upon to deal with migration on a daily basis. They face increasingly complex educational challenges in a profoundly changed social context. We have published a vade-mecum to help schools and teachers to act against discrimination and to make the school a laboratory for intercultural education.

### PANDEMIE, BLOG "SENZASCUOLA", TRAINING AND ASSOCIATIVE ACTIVITIES ON LINE

A blog for a cooperative distance learning has been set up with active proposals to prevent students from being filled with mechanical exercises.

The ERM expresses deep concern about the trend towards a school model, even beyond the emergency, reduced in real presence, and largely entrusted to on-line teaching with massive investments in this area and the maintenance of the current numbers of teachers if not further reductions in staff and resources.

We have organized meetings to evaluate the situations during the closure of the schools, the effects of distance learning (DAD), the possible active and positive use of technologies, because the reopening of the schools will be probable only in September, therefore it is necessary to prepare proposals that guarantee, also with telematics, the conditions that we defend of the 4 assets for the emancipation of the subjects. We are studying how to organize cooperative and active training courses.

