

WEEK OF THE WORLD 2016



Our trip is not over yet...maybe it has just begun!!!

This is our leitmotiv for 2016 educational proposal.

For those who know us already, it's clear that what we mentioned above has become a real experience, which has involved hundreds of young people and adults.

For those who don't know who we are, where we come from and which experience we propose...we're going to steal you a few minutes before presenting in details the proposal for 2016.

A gonfie Vele is a cultural association, born in 2010 in Piacenza province, with the main desire to promote a culture in favor of differences, which are not seen as obstacles but, on the contrary, as main trait-d-union factors, in order to build a deep dialogue and to create relationships, able to move beyond the geographical boundaries.

At the beginning all this was possible thanks to meetings, dialogues, round tables concerning the topic and later on through the realization of a special week of cohabitation, addressed to young people from 15 to 18 years old, coming from several countries in the world (Israel, Macedonia, Brasil, Egypt, Japan, Uganda, Poland,...). We love calling this special week with a special name: WOW, that is Week of the World.

Since 2010 we've been hosting the Week Of the World in Italy, in Veano di Vigolzone, in Piacenza province. Last summer we went to Israel, to Ibillin, high Galilee, birthplace of Mar Elias Educational Institutions.

In addition to the lively presence of the young participants, the synergy and strong educational partnership with PIME Foundation (Pontificio Istituto Missioni Estere) has made everything possible. The intense work of formation and planning has allowed the experience to get stronger and to concretize more and more.

Leaded by an educational staff, which is in part professional and in part voluntary, each edition has always been characterized by a specific topic, on which the participants were asked to reflect upon and live directly through educational labs, games, group discussions, testimonies and trips. We truly believe that what we traced up to now represents an important occasion of growth, not only for our children, but especially for the different contexts and realities our young people come from: for both, the Week Of the World represents a time and space where to look for beauty and richness coming from the meeting with the others.

But let's go directly to the heart of 2016 educational proposal.

Thanks to the special contribution of PIME Ufficio Animazione, the Week of the World will take place in Italy, in Lombardy, at Villa Grugana, Lecco province.

The period dedicated to the experience will be from 17th to 24th July 2016.

The proposal is addressed to all young people from 15 to 19 years old, until 100 people maximum.

The educational itinerary of this edition will focus on the following topic: "Loyalty and freedom", which characterize every choice in life, even the ones made by the youngest.

Loyalty is conceived as free and conscious choice, an act of responsibility, which is constantly challenged by life.

The young participants will confront each other through group discussions, interactive activities and games on several questions related to the topic. Among the most significant:

- What has loyalty meant for me until now? Thinking to my past, to my story, my family, my country, how much has loyalty represented a value, which has lead me to free and conscious choices?
- I think to my present: where do I recognize the presence of loyalty and on the other hand, what is constraint and denial of my freedom? Are loyalty and freedom able to coexist?
- Is there a limit to loyalty?

Participants

Also this year the Week of the World will see the participation of Italian and foreign young people.

To the Italian group will be dedicated a maximum of 50 people.

The group of young foreigners can participate up to a maximum of 50 people; specifically, every foreign country can participate in a number of not more than 8 participants with a group leader; the latter will act as a contact person and group leader.

Costs

FOR THE ITALIANS

The participation fee for the Week Of the World is € 300,00 per person.

It covers:

- Food and accommodation for the whole week;
- Transportation for the whole week;
- Educational staff;
- Kit for each participant.

FOR THE FOREIGNERS

The required participation fee for the Week Of the World is the cost of the round trip ticket from the country of origin to Italy.

The Association will be responsible for the coverage of the following costs:

- Food and accommodation for the whole week;
- Transportation for the whole week, including bus fee for a round trip to the airport and/or a round trip to the train station in Villa Grugana;
- Educational staff;
- Kit for each participant.

Budget

Cost item	Amount
Transportation	€ 15.000
Visa	€ 2.000
Food end accommodation ai Villa Grugana	€ 15.000
Staff and material	€ 10.000
Total	€ 42.000

As usual, we finance our activities differently:

- Charity dinners;
- markets;
- private donations;
- contributions from the promoters and agencies involved in the patronage issue;

- contributions from the participants and their families.

We ask to the readers to help us, even with small donations.

Thanks from us and the young people!

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The experience is realized thanks to the close synergy and the unity of purposes of:

- Associazione "A gonfie vele"
- Fondazione PIME - ONLUS Ufficio educazione alla mondialità.

And with the participation of



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And all the other parishes, which will agree to share this project.

Patrocini

For 2016 edition, "Associazione a Gonfie vele" has started the process for the request of the sponsorship from the following institutions, which supported and shared the experience in the past years:

- Presidenza della Repubblica;
- Senato della Repubblica;
- Camera dei Deputati;
- Regione Emilia Romagna;
- Comune di Cadeo (Piacenza);

- Comune di Pontenure (Piacenza).