

JULY 9 - 13, 2018
WEEK THREE NEWSLETTER

Casa Italia

Campo Estivo – Summer Camp

Venezia - Venice

This week we've been focusing on Venice; the geography, traditions, history, and culture. The campers have been learning about the landmarks, festivals, and unique topography of the city, as well as Carnevale and Venetian art. We actually started this theme at the end of week two with recreations of Venetian paintings reenacted by the campers and captured on camera. This is group 4's portrait series of Isabella d'Este; See the Facebook page for more.



Siam tutti qui per divertirci sempre...
We're all here to have fun all the time...

Our themes this week were:

- Da Vinci inventions (trebuchet, part II) (groups 3, 4, 5)
- Tarantella
- Venice geography and monuments
- Carnevale
- Venetian art – gondola craft (1-3), masks (4-5), and mosaics (1-5)
- Fiabe veneziane – Venetian Fairy Tales (1)
- Marco Polo – biography and trivia game show (3-5)

Reminder!

On the last day of camp, **Friday July 20**, families of campers are invited to the final presentation at **12:00 pm**. There will be a picnic and games to follow.

Facebook: @CasaItaliaChicago

Downloadable camp songs: <http://bitly.com/campo18>

...e vogliamo anche imparare!
...and we also want to learn!

Cerchio della mattina – Morning Songs

Every morning we practice songs and work very hard preparing for the performance on our last day of camp. We also do movement breaks together to Italian pop music. Everybody's recent favorite is a dance mix of *Tu vuò fà l'americano*.



Da Vinci Inventions

Signor George returned again with a new and improved trebuchet design. This one throws projectiles faster and farther and definitely makes a bigger splash! The campers learned the importance of conservation of energy and the value of being open to improving any design.

Geografia di Venezia - Geography

Groups 4 and 5 learned the geography of Venice with a giant map drawn in chalk on the parking lot and a geography relay game. They also filled in their own personal maps of Venice and wrote postcards to friends and family from their imaginary trip.



Marco Polo

All five groups have been learning about one of Venice's most famous people, the explorer Marco Polo. The campers are really looking forward to Friday afternoon; we're going to play a Marco Polo trivia game show with groups 2, 3, 4, and 5.