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On 23rd April 2012 a very important national holiday is celebrated in Turkey: the "Children's Day", established by Mustafa Kemal Atatürk.

On this day the APE Comenius Partners decided to perform at the Turkish school on Buyukada Island to show our national identities merged into a single European one.

We took our chance to introduce our country, the importance of our city, Torino, in our history and the meaning of 25th April's celebration for our nation.

We recorded some background music to accompany Alfonso and Riccardo's words:

- "Con te partirò" by Andrea Bocelli for the introduction
- "The Italian National Anthem" to explain the meaning of our flag
- "Va pensiero" by Giuseppe Verdi to combine our historical period of independence and national union
- Then we made all the audience sing with us the song "Ciao Ciao" by Petula Clark (1965), giving explanation of the origin of the word "ciao".

Good morning dear Ladies and Gentlemen.
Our names are Riccardo and Alfonso

First of all we would like to thank the Principal, Miss Birce and Mr. Cem for your kind hospitality in this wonderful country, and we would also like to thank our Turkish and European partners for having made our dream come true!

We're students at Itis Pininfarina, in Moncalieri, Torino, Italy and we'd like to give you now some flavour of our Italian country.





Most people are surprised to learn that Italy is younger than the United States. But in 2011 the country known worldwide as the home of the ancient Roman empire celebrated just its 150th anniversary as a unified country.

This is our flag, we call it the "Tricolore" which means 3 colours: they represent the green of our fields, the white of our snow and the red of the shed blood of our patriots, and for sure the 3 concepts linked to the colours are: Justice, Equality and Brotherhood.

This is our national anthem.





Turin, our city, became the first capital of unified Italy on 17th March, 1861, 150 years ago.

The Kingdom of Italy was the first Italian state to include the Italian Peninsula since the fall of the Roman Empire. Victor Emmanuel of the Savoy House was crowned King of Italy in 1861.

This music by Verdi was considered by the patriots the Hymn representing our union.

The 25th of April is a very important National holiday for us: it's the Liberation day from the nazi-fascist oppression at the end of World War II.

It commemorates the liberation of Italy by Allied troops. After Italy surrendered, the Nazis considered it as a new enemy and intensified the anti partisan operations against the Italian freedom fighters.

This day is taken as symbolic of the Liberation of Italy: on 25th of April 1945 the Nazi occupation army surrendered and left Northern Italy after a general partisan insurrection by the Italian resistance movement; the puppet fascist regime was dissolved and Benito Mussolini tried to escape.

The holiday is meant to honor all those who died during the war, from soldiers fighting overseas to civilian victims of Allied bombings and atrocities committed during Nazi's bitter retreat from Italy.

The lives of those who served as partisans in the Italian Resistance are especially honored.



One of the Italian words that is known all over the world is: CIAO.

CIAO comes from the old Italian word "sciavo" which means "slave". So when people met they said to each other "Ciao" to mean "I'm your slave". Ciao translates both "Hello" and "Bye bye". There is an old song of the 60s whose title is "CIAO CIAO" and we would like to sing it with you.

Now, Please say: CIAO

ok, great! now say: CIAO CIAO

When we make this sign, you'll say "CIAO CIAO" ok?

Well, let's start singing together!



A lottery followed the performances with objects brought by all the partners from all over Europe: together with the money raised from the sales of European cookies in the street, we could collect the sum of 300€ about that we employed to buy food for the local animal shelter, in the spirit of our topic "Animal protection in Europe"

