



GLADSTONE PARK

ITALIAN IMMERSION AT GLADSTONE PARK



HOW IT WORKS

Immersion students at Gladstone Park experience the full breadth of the curriculum offered at our college while studying Mathematics, History and Geography in Italian.

During the Italian language classes students learn new vocabulary and grammar that will facilitate their understanding of the above mentioned subjects.

The course is highly interactive and ICT based.



BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM

Immersion has been widely implemented overseas and research has demonstrated that students exposed to this teaching approach:

- *Are more stimulated and subsequently motivated*
- *Improve their literacy skills and develop a range of learning and critical thinking skills*
- *Achieve higher results in a variety of subjects compared to those students who are exclusively taught in English*
- *Acquire a great deal of the foreign language used, in our case Italian*
- *Develop a deeper intercultural understanding that enables them to appreciate the values of the community and become better global citizens.*

LANGUAGE IMMERSION

Language Immersion, also known as CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning), is the most effective form of bilingual education, designed for students with high communication skills.

Gladstone Park is the first secondary school in Victoria to offer Italian utilising this methodology.

Immersion learning is significantly enriching and is a very common practice overseas, especially in Europe and in North America, while in Australia it is offered by only Gladstone Park and a few other private secondary schools. Immersion is a revolutionary concept because, by enabling students to learn a language through content, as happens in real life, it leads to a more engaging and relevant process of language acquisition.

