

# TIPS

FOR PARENTS OF DYSLEXIC CHILD

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## Study Visit Report

Vasto Marina, ITALY

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## Report

The study visit of the PAM has been held in Vasto Marina on Saturday, November 26. Prof. Passafiume opened the meeting, welcoming the participants.

All the Partners of TIPS project attended to the visit, together with the Administration Manager of PAM, Dott. Francesco Nardizzi, and the Director of the Dislexia Center, Mrs Anna Scafetta. Some parents of the children assisted at the Center, some of the speech therapists and of the psychologist of the Center attended to the visit, too.

After a short summary of what had been done and talked about the TIPS meeting in the day before, Prof. Passafiume introduced Dott. Benito Michelizza, Foniatic Specialist of the Dislexia Center. Dott Michelizza briefly recalled the importance of the TIPS project. He stressed specifically the significance and the importance of exchanging ideas and experiences between participants from different European Countries and cultures, to better understanding dyslexia in relation to the cultural factors.

Prof. Passafiume presented the spaces, laboratories and equipments of the Dislexia Center; he illustrated the activity of the Center, for both the dyslexic children and their parents, showing examples of exercise, stimuli and activities to be performed both individually and in small groups; the PC programs, the methodology and the activities programmed and proposed to the Dislexic Children has been showed to the participants to the visit by Prf. Passafiume.

This presentation has been followed by comments, contributions and remarks of the parents of the Dislexic Children. One of them (native English speaker) exposed the difficulties of her son and hers own when confronted with homework, or the difficulty of taking fast notes; she explained her feeling of frustrations and how she has sympathetic and impatient feelings at the same time, and the difficulty (for a good reader) to understand why the son is not able to read. Other parents expressed their accordance with this mother. Prof. Passafiume expressed the appreciation of all the Partners for the speech of the lady and of the parents, and stressed the help that this outburst represents for the preparation of the e-book.

Finally, one of the psychologists that cooperate with the Dislexia Center briefly exposed the activity of the center in supporting both the children and their parents.

With the thanks and greetings of the organization, the visit was concluded at 12.30, local hour.

The partners who were not in hurry to leave, had the opportunity to continue the visit to the Center and to the Rehabilitation Institute.