



# **DROP THE MASK!**

**A DEMOCRATIC SCHOOL  
AIMING AT DEVELOPING  
COGNITIVE, EMOTIONAL,  
SOCIAL SKILLS**

***MILANO***  
**ITALY**

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INCLUSIONE E  
SUCCESSO FORMATIVO

TECNOLOGIA  
E  
INNOVAZIONE

INTELLIGENZA  
COGNITIVA,  
EMOZIONALE,  
SOCIALE

SALUTE E  
BENESSERE

LINGUAGGIO  
UNIVERSALE  
DELLA MUSICA





*It's the change underlying these tools that I'm trying to emphasize.*

*Forget blogs...think open dialogue.*

*Forget wikis...think collaboration.*

*Forget podcasts...think democracy of voice.*

*Forget RSS/aggregation...think personal networks.*

*Forget any of the tools...and think instead of the fundamental restructuring of how knowledge is created, disseminated, shared, and validated.*

George Siemens, University of Manitoba

**At primary school:**

- 1) a **metaphorical fairy-tale** whose protagonists are vegetables representing different behaviours in **managing conflict**;
- 2) **role-playing**;
- 3) **drawings and comics** produced by the children in order to struggle **against bullying**.

**At secondary school:**

- 1) a didactic activity about how to save and include **migrants and refugees** (organizing their everyday life, and so on);
- 2) **theatre, chorus** and **orchestra** activities as a chance to put into practice the need to find a respectful harmony and mediation among oneself and the others;
- 3) building a decalogue of **web-threats and web-opportunities** (a sort of “internet policy”), so to guide students to a more mindful way to communicate by ICT, even using peer-to-peer tutoring.

**At both kinds of schools, we enhance well-being and cooperation thanks to a project about “**Digital Citizenship Competences**”, collaborating with Catholic University of Milan as well as Regional Education Office for Lombardy.**





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# Character Development

*Character Flows Through Us*

- Acceptance
- Caring
- Empathy
- Honesty
- Integrity
- Perseverance
- Respect
- Responsibility



 Thomas Valley District School Board

*A Caring, Learning Community*

# Diversity

creates dimension in our world.



BE A BUDDY, NOT A BULLY

Lifeguard  
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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

