Dear Student of Pre AP Italian,

Congratulations on being accepted into Pre AP Italian for the 2019-2020 school year. This is an accelerated course in Italian. During the year, cultural topics and literature will be studied, which will help in the further development of the reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. Audio/visual materials and advanced reading materials (movies, newspapers, literary works) will be included.

For Italian Pre AP, you are expected to:

- Be in class on time with all necessary materials
- Hand in all assignments on time (no late work will be accepted)
- Have a notebook or binder for Italian class only
- Have a journal that remains in class

In addition to exposing yourself to as much Italian as possible and reviewing all grammar topics this summer, you are also expected to complete the following summer assignments, which are due on the first day of school in September.

Assignment # 1: Reading Comprehension. Using http://www.corriere.it/, http://www.repubblica.it/ or http://www.ilmessaggero.it/, find, read, and summarize an article (minimum 50 words) of your choice that would be classified as one of the AP Themes below, and list at least 5 new words or expressions:

1. Global Challenges / Le sfide globali
2. Science and Technology / La scienza e la tecnologia
3. Contemporary Life / La vita contemporanea
4. Personal and Public Identities / L’identità privata e pubblica
5. Families and Communities / La famiglia e le società
6. Beauty and Aesthetics / Le bellezze e l’estetica

Assignment # 2: Listening Comprehension. Find an appropriate clip of an Italian T.V. show, video, or podcast on http://www.raiplay.it/, https://www.amazon.com/, https://www.youtube.it/, or another site of your choice, that is at least 5 minutes long and listen to it. Type up a summary in Italian of what you have learned (minimum 50 words), and list at least 5 new words or expressions.

Assignment # 3: Writing Comprehension. Watch one of the Italian movies/documentaries called Influx or Fire at Sea on https://www.netflix.com/, https://www.amazon.com/ or another site of your choice. If you do not have access to these sites, ask someone for permission to access in order to complete assignment. Then, write a summary in Italian (minimum 150 words) about the movie, including cultural differences you observed while watching.

Feel free to e-mail me with any questions or concerns.

Buon’estate e buon divertimento!

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