

## **Mission (English Version)**

Raggio Di Sole Onlus is an association that works with children with special needs who require further help because of their psycho-physical disorders.

This non-profit organization was founded in Rome 1963 by ten founders who wanted their children to have a chance of life, independence and integration which was equal to that of any other child.

Raggio Di Sole has a total of 51 guests, 21 guests are residential and 30 are semi-residential. This association offers all guests a home, a protected life, the warmth of a family and many rehabilitation, creative and recreational activities they can take part in everyday.

In addition to that, Raggio di Sole caters to each individuals medical needs, providing them with professional staff including doctors, rehabilitators, and assistants OO.SS.

### **Our Guests Day**

Our residential guests wake up at 07:30am, after having washed, dressed and ate breakfast, they are joined with semi-residential guests who arrive at Raggio Di Sole via a minibus service. Between 08:45 and 09:00, the daily activities begin.

During the day, the guests carry out different activities. These are done mostly in groups of 7 but some activities are individually based on a schedule drawn up by each of their doctors and rehabilitators.

Group activities range from painting, theater, gardening, small craft workshops, gymnastics, cinema, music, cultural visits.

Individual activities range from physiotherapy, meetings with the psychologist and speech therapist, and occupational therapy.

The activities are split with two breaks which coincide with a morning snack and lunch. The guests menu is chosen daily by Doctors who take into account the specific needs of each guest.

At 14:45pm, our semi-residential guests are taken back to the mini-buses to return home, while those in residential care take part in entertaining activities which break again for an afternoon snack and dinner.

When dinner is finished, the guests are helped by assistants to wash and dress for the night. Raggio Di Sole is their home after all!

Parents and relatives are always welcome to spend time with us! We only ask them not to disturb the rehabilitation programs.