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Annual Report
1 December 2024 - 30 November 2025

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Review of Objectives for 2024-25

i. CRESCITA

The construction of the museum in Mignano has been completed. Two videos have been produced, one on sheep farming and cheese making and the other on wild boar hunting. Poster materials for the museum have been produced covering sheep farming and cheese making, wild boar hunting, truffle foraging, bee keeping , and biodiversity. Over April/May 2025 12 classes of school children from Pieve Santo Stefano made half day visits to the museum. These were enormously successful and the schools want to make these annual events.

ii. DBS Training

DBS training to parents and teachers has continued to be provided, as requested. Notably this has been extended to a group of paediatricians from Emilia Romagna.

iii. DBS Research

We have continued to provide support to colleagues in Italy and around the world (Turkey, the Czech Republic, the UK) . In particular, we have supported the initiation of two trials in Italy. One of these involves paediatricians offering a brief dialogic book-sharing training within their routine clinical work.

Objectives for 2025-26

i. CRESCITA

Continue to develop materials for Crescita. Offer visits to schools from other villages, such as Caprese Michaelangelo.

ii. DBS Training

Continue to provide DBS training around Italy

iii. DBS Research

Continue to provide support to colleagues in Italy and around the world in their conduct of book-sharing research.

iv. Book contract

Secure a contract with a publisher for producing a manual for dialogic book-sharing of use to parents and professionals.

Financial Report*

1 December2024 -	£20,623	
30 November 2025 -	£11,572.	
Expenditure for 2024-25	£ 9,051	(£3,000 to Jules Mascarenhas for film editing; the rest to Diego della Ragione for assisatnce with Crescita material production)

- The expenditure (apart from bank fees) went entirely on assistance in the making of video and photographic materials for CRESCITA.