

Life skills Room Project

In June 2016, we embarked on the Erasmus+ project titled 'Dealing with Autism in Gozo'. As part of the first phase of the project, five members of staff had training and observation sessions in three special schools in London. During this scholastic year, we have adopted several of these practices which are bringing about successful results. One of the practices is the setup of a life skills room similar to the students' home environment.

In this room, students will be trained to achieve skills such as making the bed, washing, hanging and folding the clothes, sorting clothes in different drawers, dusting the furniture, sweeping and vacuuming, sorting ingredients in fridge, freezer and kitchen cabinets, preparing their lunch, laying the table, washing the dishes etc.

We started off this project by identifying a room suitable for this purpose taking into consideration the size and location. We estimated the funds needed for furniture and refurbishment works. We had funds allocated to furnish the room. We needed another €7000 for refurbishment works including changing of tiles, plastering, water and electricity works and soffit. The Parliamentary Secretariat for the Rights of People with Disability and Active Aging offered the financial help for the refurbishment.

This room was inaugurated on Thursday 18th May 2017 by Hon Dr Justyne Caruana.

Refurbishment work in the life skills room



Opening of life skills room



Students practicing life skills

