FEDERATION OF MALTESE LANGUAGE SCHOOLS INC

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FMLS Newsletter 2022- 9

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The FMLS wishes all Principals, teachers, Coordinators and supporters of the Maltese Language Classes in Australia, a happy Festive season and best wishes for the New Year 2023. This year has been a dynamic year for all schools. All involved in schools have looked forward to a holiday overseas or in Australia after our travel lockdowns were lifted. Dispite all adversities schools managed and students are still registering to learn the Maltese.

Whilst in Malta for the CMLA meeting, I had several meetings with dignataries and Maltese Officials to investigate and discuss how we can continue with disseminating and mantain Maltese Language teaching in Australia. Such meetings on behalf of the schools included: L-Universita ta' Malta tal-Qroqq, Head of the Maltese Language Department Michael Spangol; Education Department : David Muscat CEO, National Literacy Agency St Venera and Antonella Gatt Director International Relations & Programme Implementation Education Head Office Floriana. We hope to hear more from these departments in the future

I also visited several bookshops to see what could be of help to our schools. Thanks to the introduction by the Consul General of Sydney Lawrence Buhagiar, I was introduced to Michael Piscopo.

Michael Piscopo is the writer/composer of various songs in Maltese, mostly for children and youths, as well as adults. You may be already familiar with some of them, such as the highly popular 'Fonzu l-Fenek' and the seasonal hit 'Ġej il-Milied'. Some songs have a social theme, such as safeguarding the environment (Għalkemm Żgħira), becoming a slave to the mobile phone (Messaġġ), remembering a loved one (Għażiż Papa'), blood donation (Nagħtu d-Demm, Nagħtu l-Ħajja), handwashing during Covid (Inħobb Naħsel Idejja), etc. These can be tied to a topic discussed on the programme or an event/celebration such as Father's Day or Christmas. See pages 2 and 3.

Books are also available https://www.fonzulfenek.org/kotba (sample covers pages 4, 5, 6 or contact Michael directly mvanpisc@yahoo.com

Another entertaining production by Michael is the 20 minute video "*il-Biljett".* This can be viewed https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6oPguAClUY

Other books and resources I came across are *Kellimini* (Let's talk), *Leħħiet l-alfabett* flash cards, *ifli bir-reqqa* (memory game) See pages 4, 5, 6.

I am also attaching the advert for the schools for 2023. See page 7. If you want any changes please advise me by 31 December 2022 as I need to disseminate to emedia.

Tislijiet u Xewqat sbieh għas-sena 2023

Edwidge Borg
PRESIDENT
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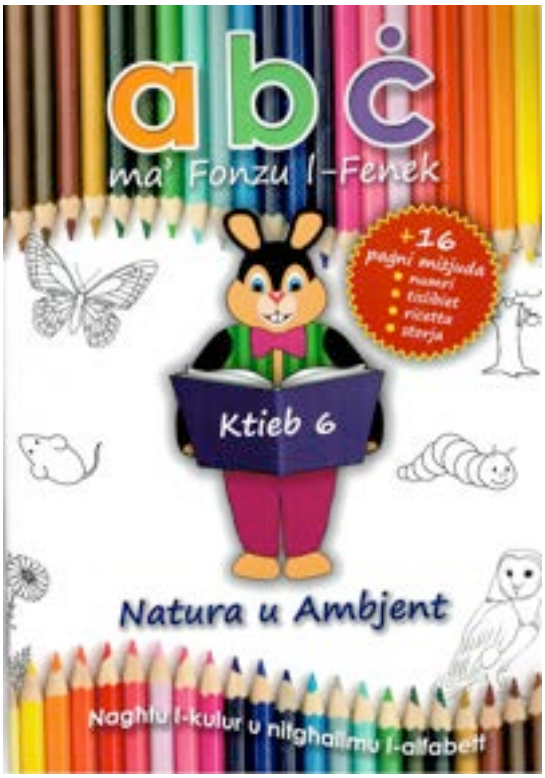
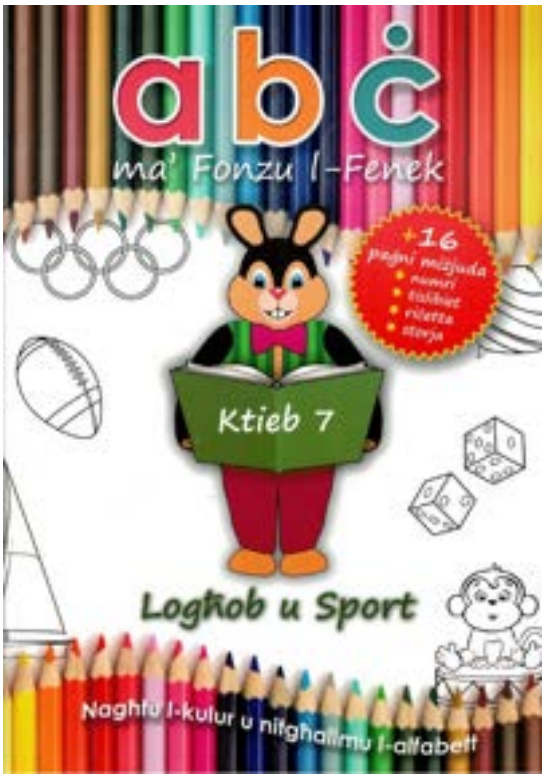
WORK BOOKS CONTACT MICHAEL PISCOPO

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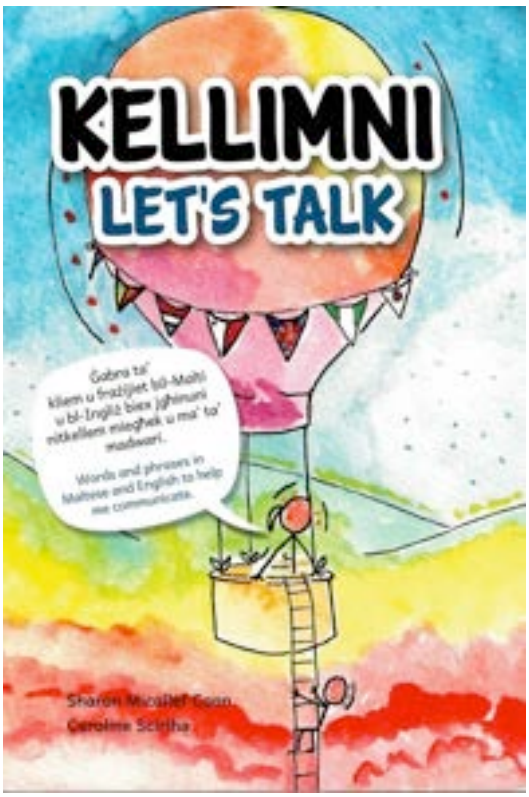

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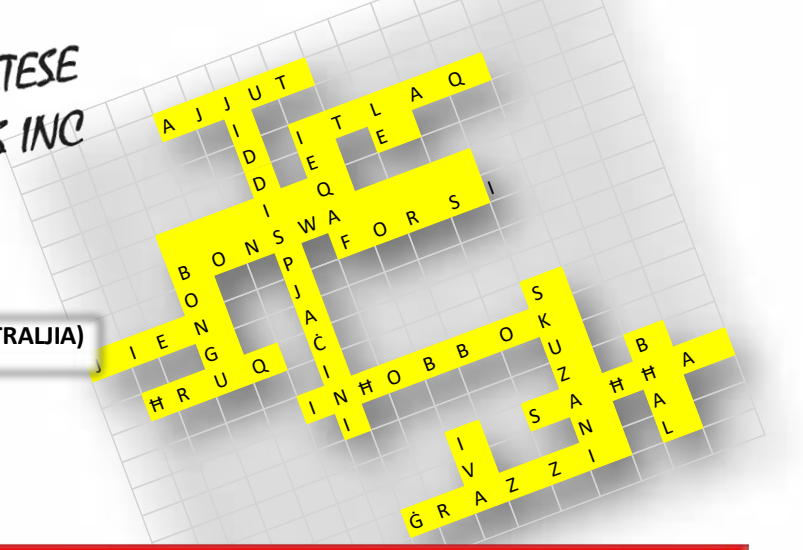

## Registration for the 2023 Maltese Language classes is now open

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**VIC:**

Online Adult Maltese Language Classes MCCV

**https://mccv.org.au/services/language/**

Prep to Year 10 face to face Saturday Maltese Language classes MCCV Caroline Springs George Cross FC Function Room 46 City Vista Ct, Plumpton, VIC 3335 **https://mccv.org.au/services/language/**

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