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The sense of beauty in the educational organization of Laura Lanza Comprehensive School

As one of the biggest problems in the social context Laura Lanza school lies in, is the lack of respect towards the surroundings people live in and an increasing amount of acts of vandalism towards whatever is a public open space, in order to increase the awareness of the environment surrounding our students and to promote the respect towards what is outside of them and in particular the place they live in, Our school is proposing a new educational philosophy: the **sense of beauty**.

It means the consciousness by the students that it is important and essential to a better way of life to stay and live and study in a beautiful place surrounded by beautiful objects. In this view, each year the students are involved during the first fifteen days of school in an absolutely free and personally oriented activity in which they, as a whole community, decide in each class how to create a beautiful and picturesque room of their own in which they will spend their school time.

So with the help of their teachers they, provided of paint and brushes, bought by themselves, decorate the walls, the doors, the cabinets of their classrooms, the corridor walls and the school entrances.

In this way they understand the importance of respecting the room they created, even though it is not their own homeroom, and since this occasion, they can learn to respect and to embellish the world outside where they live. Moreover they are as the main actors in the school style, they realize how they live in the school and how they are part of it. This contributes to promote good manners and attitudes in their behaviour in the perspective to become the future citizens of a better and more **beautiful** world.

These photos are some good examples of the students' work!





