

## Children's playrooms of the Commune of Florence

These areas are conceived for children and their families with the purpose of encouraging play culture and developing socialization, creativity, expression, and independence. Playrooms are open to all children and their families free of charge. All children aged 0 to 14 accompanied by an adult are welcome. Activites and play areas are divided according to the age span. The playrooms of the **Commune of Florence** hold family meetings regularly for promoting play culture and the social value of play. In these environments the community learns to live and grow together, and adults become the children's playmates. In order to offer an ideal service, playrooms need to be co-ordinated by professional, trained and competent staff. A good knowledge of play cultures, good activity planning skills, a welcoming approach and an ability to listen are just a few fundamental skills of playroom educators.

The **Commune of Florence** has long been involved in training and stimulating the professional ability of playroom educators updating their professional skills and developing new ones.

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Marcondirondero
Gianburrasca
Nidiaci
La Tana dell'Orso
Il Castoro
La Carrozza di Hans
La Mondolfiera
L'Albero di Alice
La Prua
Il Castello dei Balocchi

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