Digital content and digital textbooks

THE BOOK IN PROGRESS:

THE BEGINNING OF THE NEXT CHALLENGES
2009

Brindisi Majorana School launches a project called “Book in progress”

The school teachers write books for their own students (Teachers involved 15)
2014

Books are written by about 1200 teachers belonging to a national network of about 150 schools.
Books are printed locally at low cost (5 euros).

Savings from schoolbooks are spent by families in students’ IT equipment (tablets, PCs, iPads).
Besides the paper textbooks, students are equipped with the digital version on the students’ devices, on the Interactive Whiteboard of each classroom and the Future classroom.
Digital Books are written by teachers inserting 3D animation, image gallery, videos, interactive images, quizzes, notes.

Teachers insert what may enhance the students’ learning.
The content of the Book in progress (Maths, Chemistry, History, Science, Law, etc) is based on intense collaboration among teachers that work in departmental areas.
1200 teachers collaborate and share through:

- Website http://www.bookinprogress.org/
- Facebook group
- Departmental meeting
- National meeting
Every student of the class involved in the use of the BIP has a tablet containing eBook of the BIP.

They can note, do exercises, make video, presentations, quizzes.
Teachers have tablets and they introduce new teaching methodologies.

The use of digital material facilitates the learning. The teacher acts as a facilitator of their self organization and creativity.
The students’ achievements, in relation to successful schooling, have improved by 10% if compared to the previous school year.