



SAGE COLLEGE

Newsletter

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Message from our School Head:

Dear families,

This week we had the opportunity to meet with our families at the Parent-Teacher Conferences. Despite having to run them through our online platform, tutors and teachers had the opportunity to meet and share the details of our students with their families. As I always like to remember, values-based education, academic and overall education of our students is a shared task between the school and home, teachers and parents in which good harmony and a joint vision prevail.

In addition to these meetings, this week we will be starting a cycle of training sessions for families and friends in which we will be introducing a variety of topics related to education, methodology, access to university, etc., We will also have the opportunity to know the school's plans for the coming year. See you very soon!

Mr Wickham

MOCK EXAMS ARE FINISHED!!



MOCK exams finished this Friday for High School students (Year 10, 11, 12 and 13). Now, the marking process has started. The 8th of February, the results will be available in Alexia, and later on that week, a report will be given to the students and the registration process for external exams will start. Although the MOCK exams have finished, they need to continue studying hard to make sure that they reach their objectives at the end of the academic year.



HOUSE POINTS



2008

1728



1865

1927



WEDNESDAY 3RD
YEAR 1M ONLINE LIVE ASSEMBLY 3PM

WEDNESDAY 3RD
ONLINE KS2 PARENTS WORKSHOP
MATHS- HOW TO UTILISE MATHS RESOURCES

FRIDAY 5TH
YEAR 1D ONLINE LIVE ASSEMBLY 3PM

-EARLY YEARS NEWS-

PRENURSERY

The *Little Ducklings* have continued exploring and investigating their 'Winter' topic. This week, they mixed shaving foam with flour and glue to make their own melted snowman, in addition, they added body parts including a nose and eyes. In the end, every snowman was so different and unique.



NURSERY

We would like to recognise the resilience of some of our youngest members of school.

This week *Nursery* children have been learning from home and we are so proud of their efforts and achievements in connecting to live lessons and completing activities at home. In exceptional times, we often see the true strength, flexibility and resilience we are all capable of. Well done to all the children and their families for the special effort that was put in by everyone to ensure, quality education prevails!



RECEPTION

This week the *Busy Bees* have been transported to the Antarctic. They have been using different mediums to find out about the animals and their habitat. In circle time they told their peers about their favourite arctic animal.



-PRIMARY NEWS-

PE with Mr Fletcher

The children in Year 1 and Year 2 have enjoyed **Physical Education** lessons with their new PE teacher, Mr Fletcher. They have been **developing their balls skills** through a range of **cooperative activities** that get their hearts pumping and their faces smiling.

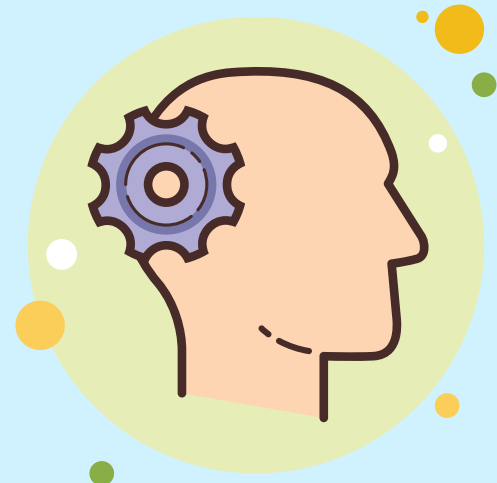


Study Skills for Year 6

Our new study skills sessions have started with a bang in Year 6! These sessions will be happening once a week as we aim to equip students with the skills they need in the next stage of the learning journey moving towards Secondary. We will also be giving them **tools to study at home and prepare well for exams and assessments**. Students had a great time in their first session this week on 'Memory Boosting'

Google Suite Training

As part of our ongoing commitment to professional development here at Sage, **some of our teachers have completed a Google course on G Suite**. This was a comprehensive training on various elements of online learning, specifically working towards a technologically integrated classroom. This week they have been sharing their new knowledge and skills with the rest of the primary department to ensure we can all benefit from these new understandings and improve our classroom practice with the latest technology for learning.



HOW TO UTILISE MATHS RESOURCES

by Ms Roddick and Ms Torrente

**WEDNESDAY
8TH FEBRUARY**

3.45 pm - 4.15 pm



What is it about?

This session will give you detailed information about how **to use the *My Maths* online learning tool to support your child's maths development.**

The Maths curriculum in the British Education system is very different compared to how we were taught, but also compared to different teaching strategies used here in Spain.

Another aim of this session will be to inform you about the key differences and **discuss some key strategies and methods that will help you to support your child** with their maths development at home.

Who is it for?

Specially designed for Key Stage 2 parents (Year 3-6)

All Primary parents interested are welcome to join us.

How can you join the workshop?

Add your details into the Google Form attached and Sage College **will send you a link** to connect a few hours prior to the start.

Join Us!

-MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS-

ART IN SAGE COLLEGE

This term in Art, KS3 students are learning about the **genre of still life**. Each class has been creating studies of oranges to develop their skills using **tone and colour**. As the term continues they will create more complex still life compositions and work towards creating a final painting. Ms Richardson is doing a great job of producing some fine young artists!



WORKSHOPS

Next week the newsletter will feature an article about the new cycle of KS3 workshops. These are some of the workshops happening in KS3 this term:

Mindfulness

Table Tennis

English Support

Aerobics

Creative Writing

PODCAST

LENGUA IN YEAR 7

This week year 7 have been delivering oral presentations after working on texts on the internet. Students had to **analyse the pros and cons of using the internet whilst under confinement**. Students are continuing to develop their writing skills this term as they also are taking part in creative writing competitions during some of their workshop slots.



HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

We have started a **new cycle of workshops** to continue offering students a good enrichment program. This program will let students continue developing skills and other areas that will be important for their future. In High School, we will have the opportunity to enjoy activities related to:

- **Nutrition:** it is very important to have a balanced diet, which also contributes to good learning.
- **English, study and exam skills:** helping students to continue developing key skills they will need in terms of external exams.
- **Career advice:** to help students with the different alternatives for the future and with university applications.
- **Life skills:** to help students with basic finance, how to apply for a job, etc.
- **Debate club:** this will help students to continue improving their oral communication skills, which are really important for their future.
- **Homework club:** to give students the opportunity to complete some work and have a teacher to answer some doubts.
- **Sports competitions:** what will contribute to the House Points at school.



SAGERS

around the world!

INTERVIEW!

Name:

Melania Armario Ucha

When did you finish in Sage College?:

June, 2019.

How long did you study at Sage College?:

From Year 5 until Year 13, meaning 9 years.

Current degree and university:

I am a second-year student at the University of Essex. Working towards completing my accredited Biomedical Sciences degree.

What do you think is an advantage of studying at Sage College?:

The teaching! Because the student to teacher ratio is so low, this really allows students to get a more personalized approach to the way of learning.

Why was Sage College useful if you consider where you are now?:

During my time at Sage College, I really dreaded when the teachers would print out scientific articles for us to read and explain to the whole class. Back in the day it felt like something I could never actually do but who I am now understands that it was for the best. Getting into the habit of reading articles from journals is crucial if what you wish to do is pursue a career in science.

This little thing alone, made the transition from high school to university so much easier. In every single project I have ever had to work on during my course it has always been an absolute requirement to read through countless articles in order to build your own work, using said articles as back up arguments. Furthermore, Sage College always encouraged us to be curious about the world around us and to seek the answers we needed. To think critically, which has also played a key role in my daily life as a Biomedical Sciences student.

Which are your ideas for your future?:

To work as a Primary Teacher in different countries, to get to know more about new languages and cultures.

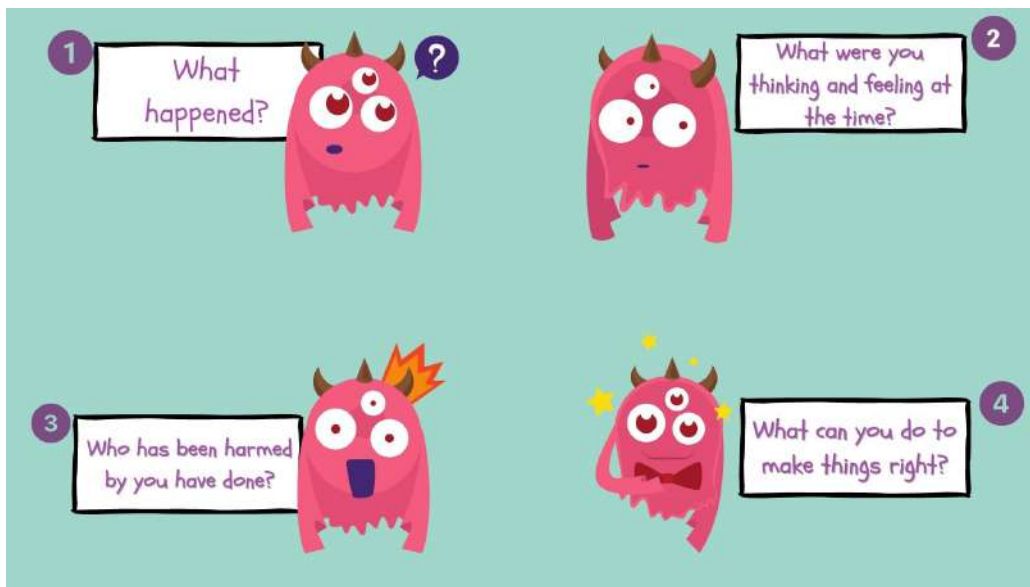


TIPS FROM OUR SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST



Conflicts resolution

Conflict resolution is one of the social skills we develop at school. At Sage College we teach our students how to develop strategies to solve problems with their peers. We know that home is a secure environment to talk about these issues. Take a look of some steps to guide your child and work on their skills to achieve a successful social life.



MEET OUR STAFF

THIS WEEK...

Ms Pike



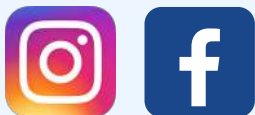
ABOUT ME...

Hi everyone, my name is Bonnie and I teach Mathematics and Physics to both Middle and High school. After completing my studies in Mathematics and education, and working as a welfare officer for an international language school in Cambridge, I moved to Spain in 2016. My family had moved to Cadiz a few years before and I wanted to be closer to them. I have taught at Sage College for the last 5 years, initially in the Primary department. Moving to Spain and working in an international environment is easily one of the best things I have ever chosen to do, and I passionately believe in giving the same opportunities to our students. As the world becomes ever smaller due to technological advances, having the tools to succeed globally is more important than ever.

HOBBIES AND PASSIONS...

I have recently bought an old house in the countryside and am loving the challenge of restoring it to its original glory. Being outside in nature is so important for both physical and mental health and so when I am not working on the house, I am usually outside taking care of our many animals. I also love to read. In these difficult times it is impossible to travel, so escaping through a book can feel like the next best thing!

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