



SAGE COLLEGE

Newsletter

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Summer Fun Afternoon!!

Through the incredible organisation of our Primary School Council and Ms Roddick, Primary were able to enjoy a wonderful afternoon full of fair games, competitions, music, water, and tasty treats. Everyone had a wonderful afternoon, enjoying the start of summer and we are very proud of all the students who helped make the day possible. A big thank you to the school council for their organisational skills, the year 6 students who helped to run the stalls, all the families who donated, the parent ambassadors for their drinks and lovely decorations and most importantly to Ms Roddick for being the vision behind the whole event. We are looking forward to turning this into an annual event and we know that from here it will only get even bigger and better in the years to come.

In total the Fun Fair raised 373 euros for Por Una Sonrisa, a charity based in Cadiz.



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MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL HEAD:

Dear Sage College Community,

It is wonderful to be able to say that your job is your passion. If on top of that, as in my case, you have the honor and pleasure of seeing how the lives of our Sage students are taking shape, growing academically, socially and artistically, then you know that you are privileged. This week, we can say that Sage has become a hive of creativity, social awareness, teamwork, artistic development (Auditions Sage has Got Talent), collaboration and learning. I truly believe that in our school, we not only teach but also facilitate learning. A very different concept that we must reinforce every day with students parents and staff. Learning happens through stimulation in ways as varied as we have students. Some students need to be part of a group and work through project to learn and others seek to do it through individual experimentation. For us, this attention to this diversity is key to guarantee the learning of each of our students and we are committed to such individualised attention.

Mr Wickham

HOUSE POINTS

-WATER-	-AIR-	-FIRE-	-EARTH-
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-EARLY YEARS NEWS-



This week our little Sagers had their first session in the school pool! They were all very excited to join Mr Fletcher for their first lesson.

Our Little Ducklings had the support of their parents and together we taught the children how to float on their backs and had fun with the pool toys. Nursery and Reception used the noodles to practice swimming up and down and some of the more adventurous were supported to jump off the sides.





-PRIMARY NEWS-



Sage has got Talent Auditions

Sage Primary was blown away with the incredible talent we saw on the stage on Thursday. As children auditioned for a place in the final of Sage has got Talent, we saw a range of talents from dancers, gymnasts, musicians, singers and even magicians. Everyone had a great time and we would like to congratulate everyone on their courage to stand in front of their peers and perform. We are proud of all participants, regardless of whether they pass into the finals. Congratulations!



CRICKET CLUB

Over the past months here at Sage Key Stage 2 have been taking part in cricket club with Mr Fletcher. This has been a great opportunity for the students as it is not normally a sport they would get to try here in Spain. Cricket is a huge part of English culture and the students really enjoyed playing. They were able to practice their motor skills such as throwing and catching. They learnt how to bowl properly and how to bat with some force! There are definitely some potential cricket superstars here at Sage College!



-MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS-

World Ocean Day

At the moment there are 5.25 trillion pieces of micro and macro plastic in our oceans. This ranges from straws, plastic bags and plastic bottles.

Depending on the strength of the plastic it can take 20 to 500 years to decompose! Around 8 million pieces of plastic make our way in the ocean each day, this can be helped by simply trying to reduce the amount of plastic you use and making sure to recycle when you can.

A very easy switch is to buy a reusable water bottle. This may sound like a small change but it makes all the difference. To produce the plastic bottle harmful gases are produced, then to transport the plastic bottle harmful fumes are released in the ozone layer too. Over 1.1 million marine animals are killed a year due to plastic being in our oceans. This is not fair on the animals and needs to change. Next time you're on the beach and see some plastic pick it up and put it in the recycling bin!

Plastic water bottles are one of the biggest problems in the ocean and they are durable and can take very very long to decompose. Scientists estimate that it could take around 700 years for some plastic bottles to decompose!



To show how much plastic is used I asked the pupils at sage to bring in the plastic bottles they used at home (and there was a lot!) to build a boat. This may not look like a lot of plastic in the pool however this is how the ocean looks at the moment and if we don't act now it could all be filled with plastic!



-HIGH SCHOOL NEWS-

Shaping THE FUTURE

Last and this week, we have introduced our new, updated Key Stage 5 curriculum. We are offering a complete and personalised programme depending on the goals each student has when applying to university. We presented this to Year 11 and 12 families and students during different meetings and assemblies.



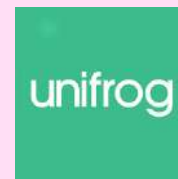
EXAMS ARE OVER

Cambridge official exams finished this week. Also, most of the internal end-of-year assessments have been completed this week, too. We are very proud of how serious and how hard our students have worked towards reaching their goals. Next week, our students will continue having lessons to start to introduce next year's content, to work on important skills and also activities to enjoy their life at school before starting the Summer.



COLLABORATION WITH ISCS AND UNIFROG

It is a pleasure for us to introduce you to a new collaboration. From next academic year, our Key Stage 5 students will have an online platform (UNIFROG) where they will have all the requirements from the universities of the different countries. Moreover, they will be also able to complete all the documents needed for the university through the platform, where we will help our students to complete all the documents. Finally, all this will be done in collaboration with our students and staff at the International School of Central Switzerland (ISCS). In this way, Sage and ISCS students will have online sessions together and will help each other with the access to universities, in an international environment.



COLLABORATION WITH UNIVERSITIES

Collaborations with other professionals and universities help us to constantly improve. Our Head of High School, Mr. Soto, with a group of students, participated in a collaboration with other Secondary schools and with the University of Cádiz in order to create new activities for science subjects. As a result, the collaboration has been published in an international educational journal.

¿Varía la masa de la Tierra? Modelizando a partir de un experimento mental

Does the mass of the Earth vary? Modeling through thought experiment

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TIPS FROM OUR SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

BENEFITS OF Summer Camps

MATURE

SOCIALLY EMOTIONALLY
MORALLY PHYSICALLY
INTELLECTUALLY

HAVE



& fun



DEVELOP THEIR...



SENSE OF COMMUNITY: empowering children to be belonging, cooperating, contributing, and caring citizens

AUTONOMY learn to have independent relations without parental help.

SELF-CONTROL Learn to relate properly in non-formal and flexible environments through play.

HELP AND BE HELPED Ask for help and provide help to others is a skill that will make the difference in their lives.

SELF-CONCEPT Work on their strenghts to shine and reinforce their selfesteems.

creativity as a tool to understand themselves and communicate with the others.

MEET OUR STAFF

THIS WEEK...

Ms Lee

ABOUT ME...

你好! My name is Minlin and I have been the Chinese teacher at Sage College for two years which is an experience I cherish. Teaching a new language is truly enjoyable, and I am rewarded each day by knowing that my students are broadening their horizons and believe they will use what they learn to help them achieve whatever it is they aspire to do with their lives in the future. Before Sage College I was the Chinese teacher at Sotogrande International school for 5 years.

My vocation as a teacher came late in life and I received my BA (Hons) degree in Interior Design from the Manchester Metropolitan University in England & then worked blissfully for 10 years as a professional interior designer for an international architecture firm before caught the teaching bug and opted for to follow my dream for a career in teaching. I got my Chinese teacher qualifications TCSOL from Taiwan before moving to Spain.



HOBBIES AND PASSIONS...

I enjoy painting and playing musical instruments including piano, clarinet and erhu which is a two-string Chinese violin. Also, I travel widely. I like all healthy activities especially walking my dogs through the countryside around Jimena.

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