



# SAGE COLLEGE

## Newsletter

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### MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL HEAD:



Dear Sage College Community,

It is a real pleasure to rewrite these lines of the Newsletter this new school year. The classrooms, corridors, sports spaces and laboratories that we have been preparing during the summer are suddenly full of life with the usual hubbub that we have longed for in the past. Pessimism due to the uncertainty of the pandemic has turned into happiness for the return back to school, seeing and being with our classmates again and seeing how life, slowly, returns to be the same or better than what our students had before the Covid.

This year, is the year of CONSOLIDATION. Our desire is that the changes and improvements that were implemented last year settle down and we look to the future with optimism and knowing that we are part of a great school. A school, whose vision goes beyond the mere teaching of curricular content but impacts the lives of our students through the people who compose it, the activities we propose and the excellence that we aim for in all we do.

Sage College is off to a strong start this year and we are ready to take on all the challenges that lie ahead. You, student, teacher, family member or friend are an essential part of this process. Are you ready to be part of this challenge?

*Mr Wickham*

# -EARLY YEARS NEWS-

## Message from Ms Dower

Welcome to Early Years from Ms Dower and the Early Years Team.

It is my pleasure as Early Years Coordinator to welcome you all and our new Little Sagers into our updated Early Years unit.

The team has spent a lot of time and effort over the Summer to ensure our environment is reflective of the rest of the school, creating a stimulating yet homely environment where all the children can feel happy and ready to learn. We have invested in new resources for all three classes which I am happy to see the children are already enjoying.

This year we have been able to resume our 'free flow' system which allows the children to mix within the different Early Years classrooms, this has always allowed for a smoother transition and settling-in process, as the children can visit their old class and teachers.

As part of the Newsletter, each week one of our Early Years classes will post an update of what has been happening in class and include a fun at home task for the Early Years children to take part in. We will then share photos of what you've done at home in the group newsletter.

We wish you a happy weekend and look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.



# - PRIMARY NEWS -

## Message from Mr Earnshaw

Dear Primary School families,

It is a privilege to be able to be the Primary Coordinator at Sage College. I have spent 2 very interesting weeks with all the teachers, preparing for the new term. We were all very excited to welcome the children back into school last Thursday. I certainly enjoyed hearing the noise of learning all around the Primary section.

It is a very exciting time for primary as the whole school is now run with classroom teachers. This will certainly help to develop the children's understanding and with the careful nurturing of the class teacher their progress, I am sure, will continue to improve. There are several new faces around the primary this year. Sage College welcomes my wife Alison into year 6.

Teaching along-side Alison is Dani Barker. Sam Guest is our new year 5 teacher. We also welcome Karin Wilkinson who will be teaching the children who need some support in their English and Spanish language. Juan Jordan who has joined the secondary PE. section will also be teaching some lessons in the primary school. I am sure you will meet them all over the next few weeks.

I know the teachers have planned some exciting activities and I am certainly looking forward to seeing the work produced by your children.

We have 'meet the teacher' evenings planned next week, I look forward to welcoming you all there.



# - MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS -

## Message from Mr Ambrose

What a positive start to the year we've had! Lots of new faces who are adapting really well to life at Sage, new teachers joining us from around the world and the sound of learning echoes through school once again. Students have been spending time with their tutors, playing games to get to know each other better, adapting to new routines amidst the pandemic, and most importantly, enjoying learning once again.



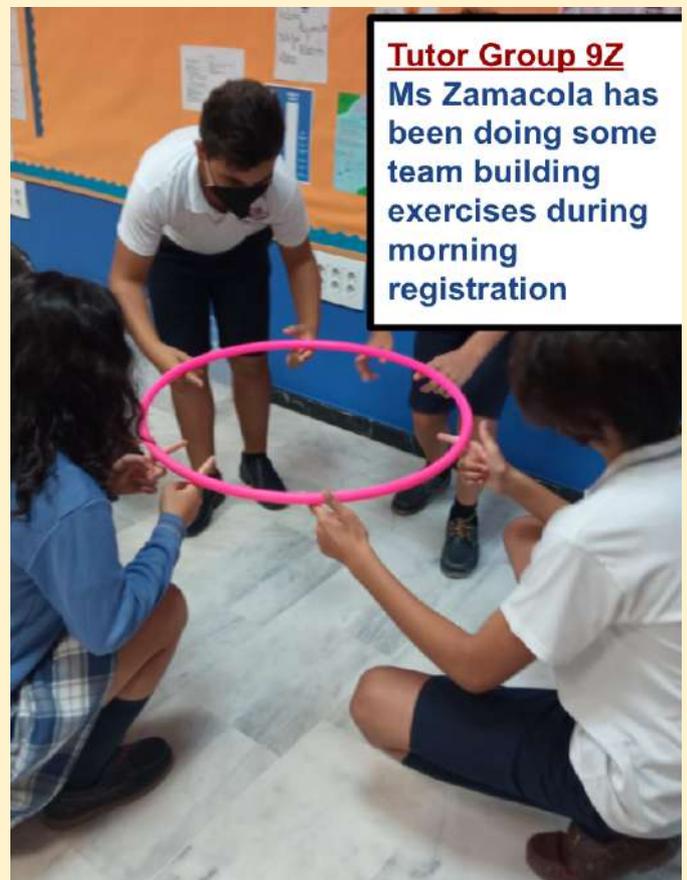
## New Members of the Sage Team

I'd like to welcome some new members of our team; Juan Jordan, the new secondary PE teacher, James Collingwood, our new secondary English teacher, Laura Ridley, our new science teacher, Raquel Vega, our new science teacher and Laura Izquierdo who will be teaching Bachillerato Sage, Science. This is an exciting year for Sage as we have some experienced teachers ready to bring some new ideas to the table.



## Tutor time

This week students and tutors have been working together to participate in a competition held by Ms Westwood where they have been asked to decorate their classroom doors. Winners to be announced in the newsletter next week. Good luck to all the contestants in KS3! Tutor groups have also been giving speeches in a campaign to become the student council representatives for their year group - winners also announced next week.



# - HIGH SCHOOL NEWS -

## Message from Mr Soto

Dear High School families,

Welcome back to a new school year. It is a pleasure for me to be the Head of this fantastic stage. It is in this stage when our students go from being teenagers to be adults, ready for their future and the rest of their lives.

The stage when they leave their school to go to university. Last year was an extremely hard and unique school year, but all of our students and families showed a fantastic attitude.

We hope that the new academic year will be completely different, although it will be a challenge for sure. However, if we collaborate all together, we will reach all our objectives. To do so, it is key that our students understand that they have self responsibility to work towards having academic excellence, including English proficiency and under exemplary behavior.

This effort will lead them to a holistic and international development, what will open doors to the future. We will have time to talk about the performance in each subject, how to constantly improve, universities, and many other matters. I will be always here to support, listen to and encourage each of you, as the rest of our Sage staff, who will be totally focussed on supporting our students and families in the best way. Welcome to a new and fascinating year.



## UNIVERSITIES

One of the main aspects for our students is to get a place in the course and university they want. This year, our Year 12 and 13 students will start to use an online platform (UNIFROG) that will help students to complete their process. This will be done together with students from the International School of Central Switzerland, which will reinforce our value of internationality.



# Our beloved

Mr Marks

## remembrance



Over the summer, a beloved member of our school community, Mr Marks, passed away. During his two years at Sage College, he became a huge part and important pillar of everything we do here. His down-to-earth attitude, giant smile and even more gigantic heart made everyone he met fall in love. He was the kind of teacher whose lessons you got out of bed for - a no-nonsense, highly respected man who deep down was a teddy bear with the biggest sense of loyalty and care for everyone around him.

Things are different here without you, dear Groucho.  
We miss you with heavy hearts and every single day.

*Ms Westwood*

# Don't miss it!!



## Extracurricular activities



# FAIR



**Come and discover all the activities that you can do during the year after school**

*Ven y descubre todas las actividades que podrás hacer durante el año al acabar el colegio*

TARIFAS Y HORARIOS



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22 SEPT. | 16.30 h.

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