

# SAGE COLLEGE

## Newsletter

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"I love it. It is a very cool sport because everyone feels very motivated when people score points or when the ball is close to the floor. I think that we shouldn't do a house competition because some of the houses get very competitive and the other houses don't have good volleyball players."

Violeta (Year 7)

"I like volleyball because it's a really entertaining sport and you can move your body."

Amador (Year 7)

## Dates to remember

**26th October:** K Stage 3 "Entre Ramas trip"

**27th October:** K Stage 1 "El Juncal" trip.

**28th October:** Early Years can come dressed in 'Messy Play' clothes all day. Sageween Fun and Disco Day.

**28th October:** K Stage 2 "Sevilla trip".

**29th October:** Sageween Party and costume parade.

## Interhouse Volleyball Competition

Students have been enjoying P.E very actively learning how to play volleyball. From this week further, they will start with other year groups to do the house volleyball competition. It will be a competition between houses in which they will play volleyball matches to win points for their color houses. This is taking place during 3 weeks during all 3 Wednesdays: Wednesday 20 October 2021, Wednesday 27 October 2021 and Wednesday 3 November 2021.

By Lola, Pastora, Claudia, Aminta and Marcos



## MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL HEAD:

Dear Sage College Community,

One more week we celebrate that slowly we are leaving behind the restrictions due to the pandemic and we see how we meet our objectives set at in early September. We are looking forward to the first trips and visits, the celebration of the first internal House competitions and getting ready for the first internal assessments.

I highly appreciate the trust that families show every day in the school, in our educational project and in our work as educators. In my opinion, this is the key to the educational success of a school like ours, where trust and the close relationship between families and the school is the key factor. In addition, we are a small school in which teachers, administration staff, coordinators and myself are always accessible and available to our students. Throughout this week there have been several cases in which students have come to my office to inform me of an issue, communicate a personal project or simply to have a conversation. That trust and spontaneity is key to guarantee a healthy and transparent environment in which students feel at home and we will always encourage it to continue being that way. It is a real pleasure to be able to educate and help from the short distance and we are aware that every conversation counts and can be key in the daily development of our students. That is our commitment and also our responsibility as a teaching team at Sage College.

Mr Wickham



# -EARLY YEARS NEWS-

## Little Duckings

This week, the Little Ducklings have been exploring the many outdoor areas around the school.

On Tuesday, we put our wellies on and took a **Nature Walk with our buckets** around the back of the school building. We wanted to see what natural objects we could find. We really enjoyed discovering lots of little pieces of nature and we even discovered the two school chickens! When we got back to class we made a sensory tray of all our natural finds and used magnifying glasses to look at the natural objects more closely.

On Wednesday **José Manuel helped us create another sand box** in our Mud Kitchen and as a thank you we made him a mud pie using all the natural objects we found on our walk.



THIS WEEKS TASK IS TO SEND US A PHOTO OF YOUR OWN NATURE WALK IN YOUR LOCAL AREA. BRING IN THE ITEMS YOU FIND TO SHOW YOUR TEACHER AND FRIENDS.



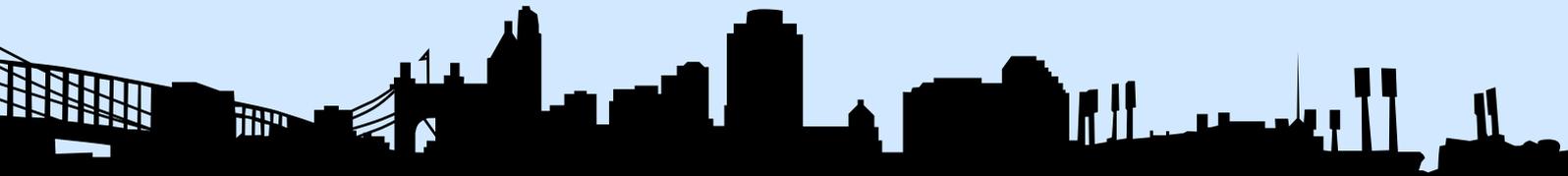
Remember to pay online for your child's Royal Kids soft play trip in the 9th November.

# -PRIMARY NEWS-

## Art in Year 2

Starting a new curriculum this year has meant that all the children in Primary have art classes once a week. The first topic for Year 2 has been all about **places all around the world**. After learning lots about different place's art and architecture, the children in 2F decided to **draw landscapes of different places** and 2R decided to make **homes from around the world**. The pictures of the homes are in various stages of the process of making them, they started with picture designs and have until next week to completely finish them.

With the landscapes in year 2F we have been looking at skylines around the world. We looked at Shanghai, New York, London, Paris and many more. The children saw how buildings look different around the world. They really enjoyed drawing the skylines and using freehand drawing. They first did it in pencil and went over it in thin liner pen to make it stand out. Year 2F were **inspired by the artist Stephen Wiltshire** who can draw skylines from just memory!



# - MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS -

## Global Perspectives

Year 7 & 8 have been learning about the perspectives they had to explain the different perspectives based on a topic and look at it from a Global, National, Local and a Personal perspective. This helps students to separate the perspectives and at the same time demonstrate how these various perspectives can affect the same issue or explain a issue in different ways.

Year 9 have been working on Communication, Collaboration, Research and Reflection the topic their challenge was based on was Disease and Health.

In the challenge they had to create an information campaign to help teach primary school students about an issue related to disease and health. This challenge gave students the opportunity to practise drafting research questions, Communicate ideas and get an audience's attention. They also had to reflect on the research they did and explain what they had learnt.



## Sage Farm

This week we have inaugurated our chicken coop in the **Animal Care workshop**. Young and old will learn, thanks to our **ecological chicken coop**, to be aware of the characteristics and needs of farm animals, their care, feeding and cleaning. In addition, they will become aware of **the importance of having good food health with natural and ecological products** as well as respect for animals.



# -HIGH SCHOOL NEWS-

## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Final IGCSE, AS, A level and EvAU grades that our students get are essential in order to access the university and course that students would like to. For that reason, it is important for our students to work hard, organise their time properly and be focussed. This week, our High School students have had their **October Assessment Week**. This will help them to create good dynamics that will contribute in a positive way to be ready for the official exams and get the best grades possible. **We would like to congratulate our students on their hard work and commitment.**



## Shaping THE FUTURE

As aforementioned, with the final grades, our students will access universities around the world. It is important that students and families are aware of the different requirements to access universities around the world. In this section of the newsletter, we will be sharing information on how to access universities in different countries. This week, we would like to introduce the **different requirements to access British universities:**



### UK



#### WHY UK



UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

#### REQUIREMENTS

- **Academic:** 5 IGCSE (C) + 3 A levels (E)
- **Age:** 18 (exceptions)
- **Others:** reference letter, personal statement, work experience, volunteering activities and others

#### TUITION FEES

- **UK students:** 9,250 GBP (in general)
- **International students:** 16,000-50,000 GBP (in general)
- **Loans and scholarships** available in some cases.

#### HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION

Personal, finance, educational details and personal statement in UCAS

#### DEADLINES

- **15/10/21:** Medicine, Dentistry, Vet, Oxbridge
- **26/01/22:** rest of courses

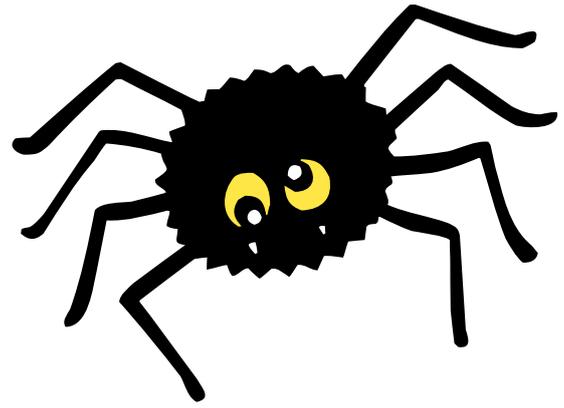
#### USEFUL LINKS

- <https://www.ucas.com/>
- <https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/>

Don't forget!!

**SAGEWEEN  
PARTY**

next Friday!!!



# MEET OUR STAFF



THIS WEEK...

## Mr Bostaph

### ABOUT ME...

I'm from the USA and graduated from Delaware State University with a degree in Mathematics Education. As I love to travel, I spent my first year teaching in Santiago, Chile. After returning to the USA, I taught high school mathematics in Delaware for the next six years. My wife is from Jerez de la Frontera, and because of this, we would always come here every summer to visit her family. I quickly fell in love with this area of Spain and we decided to live here permanently. We finally made the move this past July and I'm very happy to be here at Sage College!

### HOBBIES AND PASSIONS...

Some of the things I really enjoy are playing football, traveling to any place I've never seen, trying new foods, hiking in the mountains, kayaking, surfing, relaxing on the beach, improving my Spanish, working on home improvement projects, and spending time doing anything with my wife and kids.



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