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The good example

Dear Sage College families,

Rafael Nadal won his 21st Grand Slam last week. But what is relevant is not that he won (which is great itself), but the way in which he did it. The values that this great athlete gives us are:

1. Effort.

Having the talent and the right conditions to stand out is not enough. Talent is the foundation, but without effort you can't reach your goal.

2. Ambition.

Nadal's mental strength, together with his ambition and talent, have made him win incredible matches against very strong opponents.

3. Perseverance.

Despite the difficulties and problems, Nadal has never given up.

Where other struggled and lost, he would persevere and ended up winning the game. .

4. Humbleness

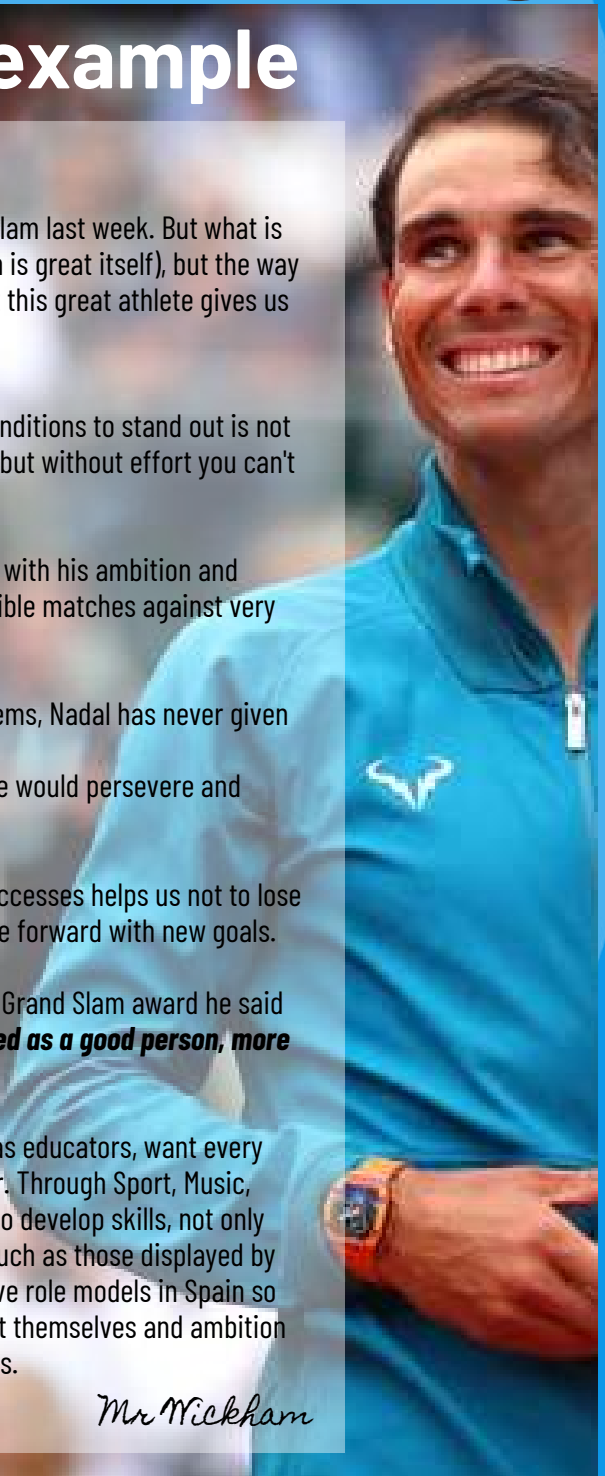
Being humble even after great successes helps us not to lose perspective and allows us to move forward with new goals.

5. Serenity.

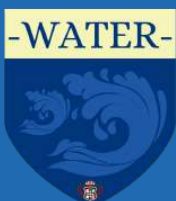
In the speech when receiving the Grand Slam award he said that he **'wanted to be remembered as a good person, more than as a good tennis player'**.

Nadal is an example of what we, as educators, want every student at Sage College to aim for. Through Sport, Music, Science or Mathematics, we aim to develop skills, not only academic but also human skills such as those displayed by Nadal. I'm grateful to have positive role models in Spain so that our Sage students can reflect themselves and ambition professional and personal success.

Mr Wickham



HOUSE POINTS



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-EARLY YEARS NEWS-

Celebrations

This week, **we celebrated Chinese New Year and the Year of the Tiger** which celebrates courage and strength!

In celebration of this year and it's themes, we joined in with the rest of the school and created lots of activities for our Little Sagers to take part in.

Take a look at **what we got up to for the special day....** and from the Early Years Team:

新年快乐 - HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR



-EARLY YEARS NEWS-



-PRIMARY NEWS-

Year 5 this week...

Year 5 have been learning **all about water** this week. Our obsession with water has been seen across all our learning. Ever wondered where water comes from? Well, in English, we have been writing an **Explanation Text on the water cycle** to describe how the Earth has been recycling water for over 4 billion years!

Our creative artistic skills were on show when we created **3D and mixed media water cycle posters**. We used a variety of different materials to show how the water cycle occurs and what happens at each stage.

In Science, as well as the water cycle, we have been **learning about the purity of different types of water** by comparing the substances found in ocean, lake and tap water. As you can see, the lake water does not look very pure at all! The results of our investigation will be in soon!



SAGE Talks.

Year 5 and 6 students have been learning about **public speaking**. They have been practising and reciting **short monologues using the "SAGE Talks" format**. Learning to speak in public not only improves communication skills but also helps to increase the confidence of our students. In addition, thanks to public speaking, they will be able to develop other important skills such as knowing how to organize, debate, argue or defend an idea.



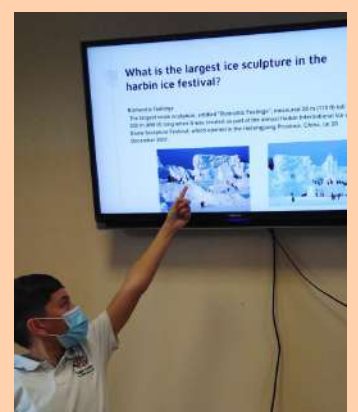
- MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS -

CHINESE NEW YEAR ACTIVITIES

Chinese New year is celebrated by billions of people and is the most significant holiday on the Chinese calendar. The Middle School Chinese students at Sage College did not want to miss out on this celebration of new beginnings, colour and life, and were encouraged to participate in **traditional crafts and activities including origami, paper-cut decoration, handmade lanterns, writing messages of good luck** on red banners and discussion groups were encouraged to look at basic similarities and differences between the Chinese Lunar New Year celebrations and how New year is celebrated in Europe.



These Chinese class students demonstrated great enthusiasm by immersing themselves in **learning about a different culture** which will bring them a new perspective, appreciation and meaning to the process of learning the Chinese language itself.



-HIGH SCHOOL NEWS-

ACADEMIC INTERVENTION AND WORKSHOPS

This week, after having finished the intensive MOCK period, our High School students have started a **new cycle of workshops**. They will have some periods to reinforce their skills in languages and sciences, but they will also have workshops to continue improving their oral communication skills, or useful workshops for their future like **career advice, life skills, radio, science and engineering club or fitness**. Moreover, some of our Key Stage 5 students will continue collaborating with our Primary section at Sage. All this will help to enrich the curriculum of our students.



Career guidance workshop. Working on uni applications.



English and Study skills workshop, in preparation for external exams.



Science and Maths skills workshop.



Radio workshop.

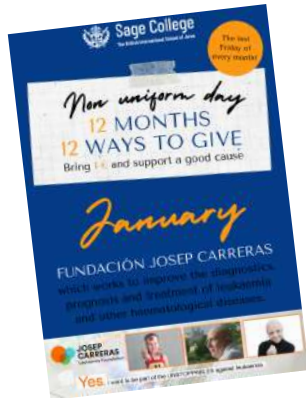


Radio workshop.

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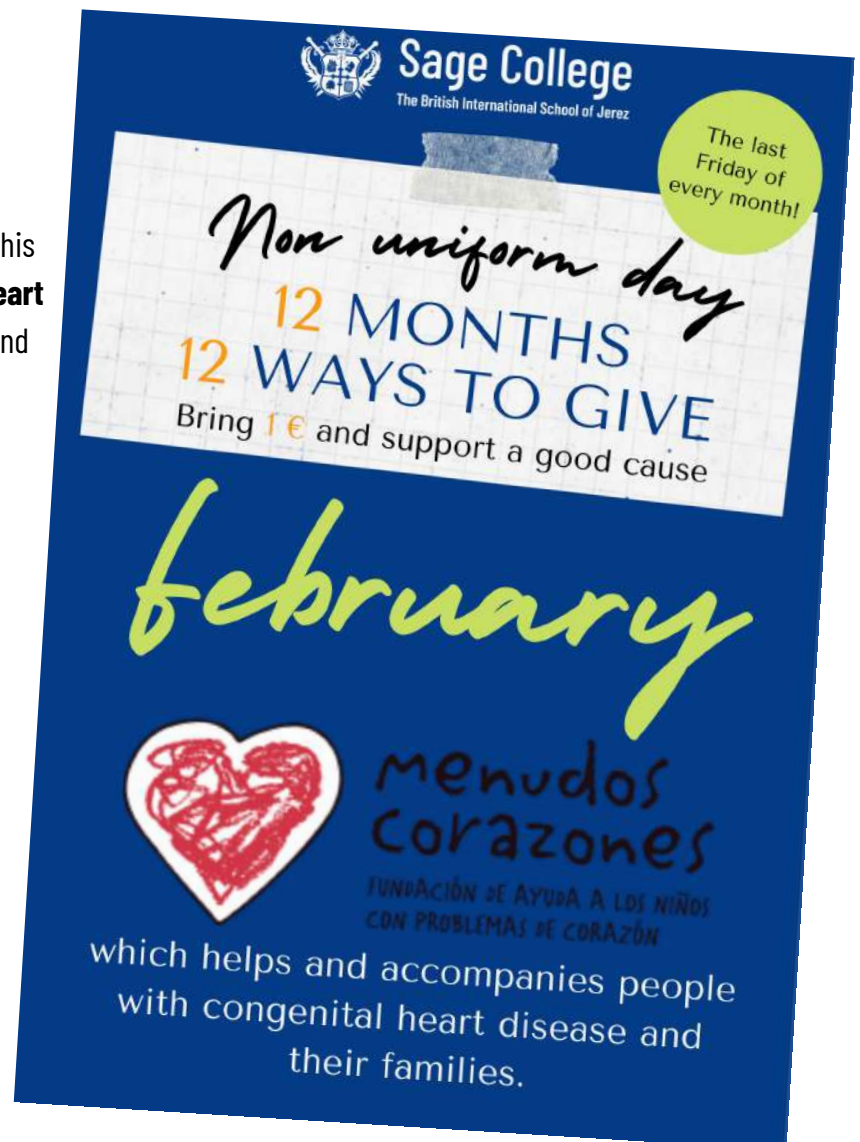
HOUSE POINTS

At Sage College, our **House system** is one of the cornerstones of our community. All students are divided into four different houses: **Earth, Wind, Fire and Water**. Throughout the year, students gain house points as a reward for various different achievements including **academic excellence, amazing effort and sports awards**. Our house captains in Year 6 and 11 are leaders and champions for the houses, collecting the house points each month and supporting their house in sports competitions both internally or externally. Read more in our pastoral section about our exciting sports competition this month and other exciting events.



OUR FIRST NON-UNIFORM DAY

Thank you very much to all of our Sagers for their participation in our first non-uniform day of 2022. It was a wonderful success and we managed to **raise 350 euros for the Josep Carreras Foundation**.



CHARITY FEBRUARY

This month, our charity is **Menudos Corazones**. This charity helps people suffering from **congenital heart disease** and supports their loved ones. You can find out more about this wonderful cause at <https://www.menudoscrazones.org/>



- PASTORAL NEWS -



VALENTINE'S DAY

This year, we will be celebrating Valentine's Day in style with a **special friendship disco on Monday 14th February in the afternoon**. Students should come in school uniform as normal (our non-uniform day is Friday 25th February) but are encouraged to **accessorize with something red**. As well as a special snack there will also be some 'lovely activities' and games for students to enjoy.

Our whole school events, such as this one, always take place outside with plenty of space for different groups and appropriate social distancing. We are delighted that we continue to be able to provide students with this type of fun and engaging experience.

ATHLETICS TOURNAMENT

On **Friday 18th February**, students across the whole school, led by our house captains, will be going to **Chapin to participate in an athletics tournament**. More information on this will be coming home really soon.



MEET OUR STAFF

THIS WEEK... Ms Hurley

- A** *Art, Fashion, Textiles, and Education*
- R** *Recycle, Reuse, Repurpose*
- T** *Travel. Borneo, Malaysia and Cyprus 20 years*
- R** *Respect the world*
- A** *A passion for padel!*
- G** *Gorgeous girls x4, great guys x3*
- E** *Enlightenment*
- O** *Orangutan*
- U** *U2 /It's a Beautiful Day*
- S** *Sustainability*

