

SAGE COLLEGE

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Welcome, 2023!!

Last Friday we had our first whole school assembly of 2023. Mr Wickham and each stage coordinator gave messages of encouragement and best wishes for the term to all Sage College students. In addition, we were very proud to announce the winner of a national literary prize for Christmas stories, Pastora L. Congratulations!



HOUSE POINTS

-WATER-	-AIR-	-FIRE-	-EARTH-
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We are back, and with a year full of projects and excitement ahead of us. This year 2023 will see us finally have sports facilities that will make us one of the leading schools in Andalusia. With the best academic results in our history and the international "Boarding School" project growing and taking shape, this is the year in which we will definitely look to the future knowing that our school is excellent.

This year, the **SAGE PAR PROGRAMME** will be launched, where we will combine high level sport, international education and the beauty and climate of our region.

We are aware that there is a lot of work ahead but, as you can see in the photo of the excavator currently working in the sports area, we are willing to continue working on a unique project from which our students and families will benefit first and foremost.

Mr Wickham



MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL HEAD





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Caution
pensals.

Family Workshops in Primary

HOMework
Mrs Sawyer

**MATHS- HOW TO UTILISE
MATHS RESOURCES**
Ms Torrente

GROWING UP IN YEAR 6
Mrs Earnshaw

PHONICS
Mrs Midgely

**WRITING
THROUGH PLAY**
Mrs Midgley and
Ms Yvonne



January-February
(on various dates)
15:30-16:00



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Registration



-EARLY YEARS NEWS-

DISCOVERING MATHS WITH BUSY BEES

BY "THE NOISY NUMBERS"!

This week the **Busy Bees** have been learning all about the **different compositions of numbers and finding out through exploration**. In pairs, the Busy Bees have been **playing games using natural materials** such as nuts and bolts, pebbles, buttons, to answer the question **"How can you see 5?"**. They have had great fun using their language skills to talk about what they found out about the number 5. "Two and two and one altogether makes five", "three and one and one makes five". Great knowledge sharing, Busy Bees!



-PRIMARY NEWS-

WELCOME BACK SAGE, PRIMARY

Starting the New Year with Smiles

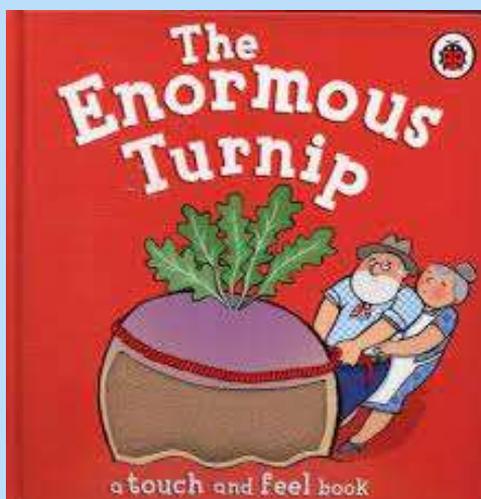
It is always wonderful visiting each class on the first day of term and this year was no different. All the children were very excited to be back at school, to see their friends, to welcome new students and to get started on their learning. **Everyone has started the year well, full of hope, high expectations and excitement.**

We are happy to welcome **Mrs Donnelly**, who joins us in Year 3S class. We also welcome back but formally introduce **Miss Sabine** who will be working mornings with our ELD 1 class and **Miss Meade** who will be working with all classes as our cover teacher. We are excited to welcome such a wealth of experience and knowledge into our Sage Primary teaching team.

This term we will be offering many opportunities to share our learning with families. Keep an eye out for upcoming dates for **Class Assemblies, Parent Workshops and an Open Evening.** We welcome and invite parents to join us during these great events.



SAGE'S VALUE OF THE MONTH: COOPERATION



During the month of January, **we will be learning about cooperation and how to work together.** To be able to cooperate successfully, you need to focus on many **important skills** such as: **working hard, looking at the details, being persistent, showing respect and using your initiative.**

In Year 3, the children have been reading **'The enormous turnip'** - a story about teamwork and dedication.

-PRIMARY NEWS-

In **Year 5**, the children have been focusing on **working cooperatively in and out of class**. What a fun time we have had with all our students!



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- MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS -

WELCOME BACK!

We would like to **welcome all of our community members back to school life** here at Sage. Students have hit the ground running and **it is great to hear the echoes of learning through school corridors once again**. Students have welcomed new members of their classes with open arms and have been happy to see some old faces, including their teachers! I'd like to introduce **Mr Lennox** to the Middle School teaching team, our new Mathematics teacher; he will be delivering classes to some Year 9 students as well as running Mathematics booster lessons across Middle School.

Here is what some students have said about life at Sage upon their return from the Winter break:

'I like learning from others around me, not just my teachers'

'Life at Sage opens opportunities with other international students'

'The most important thing is, we have fun learning!'

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr Dormer is currently coaching students **how to improve their hockey skills in Physical Education classes**. Students are learning how to control the ball, then make a pass through teacher modeling and then practicing their newly acquired skills with their peers. Remember to not bring those hockey sticks too high or you might injure somebody, or yourself!



CODING CLUB

Mr Ashaolu, our Computer Science teacher, is **running a Tech Club** as one of the clubs we offer here at Sage. Currently, **students are designing a game as part of a competition** which students from our Primary School will play and then vote which one is their favourite game. Who can snatch first place? With some hard work and creativity, I'm sure the deserved winner will come out on top. Good luck to all participating students!



-HIGH SCHOOL NEWS-

INTERNATIONAL Working together

Many thanks to **Cambridge Assessment International Education** who have published a **new post about STEM week at Sage College**, which took place in December. We feel very proud to foster links with other international Cambridge schools promoting STEM education. Click here to read the full article:

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Embracing STEM and fostering a Cambridge community

By [Haddy Ndure](#) | 09.01.23 | In [Cambridge Learners, Curriculum](#) | [Comments 0](#)

At Sage College, The British International School of Jerez in Spain, teachers, and learners are taking on enquiry-based teaching and project-based learning to improve STEM education.



SHAPING THE FUTURE

Growing and succeeding together

This week, High School students are starting their **MOCK exams**. This is always an important and stressful period for them, where **using the time properly becomes crucial**. To help them with this, we have recently had a broad range of different activities: meeting with families and students to explain all the dynamics during MOCK exams, **talks on organisation and stress management by the psychologist Sara Ruiz**, or an assembly where the whole school gave them a round of applause to encourage them to work hard and get the best.

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