



# NEWS LETTER

*June 17th 2022*

## WHAT'S INSIDE

### PRIMARY NEWS

Dear ISCS Community,

This week 13 ISCS students and 2 members of staff have been visiting Sage College in Spain to make connections, develop friendships and enhance their Spanish skills and vocabulary. It has been great to see how quickly our students have settled into their new school environment and made it their second home.

The students have been staying in Sage's renovating Boarding House, with its bright, spacious en-suite bedrooms, and enjoying the facilities it has to offer such as the swimming pool, sports facilities and common room.

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Furthermore, it has been a fantastic opportunity for our staff to network with their Sage counterparts and develop professional links with a range of Sage College employees that can be used to enhance the educational experience of both schools.

Further details and photos of the trip can be found later in the newsletter.

JOSE ANTONIO PARRA



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### HOUSE POINTS

With one week to go until the children break up for holidays we are busy tying up loose ends. You will receive your child's report next Thursday via email. The week beginning 27th July, teaching staff will still be in school and so there will be an opportunity to arrange an appointment to discuss your child's report. Emails of all teaching staff will be shared with you when you receive your child's report.

As you are aware, next week will be an activities week for the children.

You are invited to the sports morning on Monday and to join us on our hike on Wednesday.

The PO will be providing refreshments during the sports morning. Years 5 and 6 (with some year 4 support) are very excited to be performing 'The Witches' on Tuesday for their parents and for the rest of primary.

Enjoy the hot weekend!

The Primary Team



## YEAR 5 AND 6

As we hurtle towards the end of term we are tying up loose ends with the curriculum. In maths we have been doing some investigations and in English we have been doing some story writing to embed the skills we have been practising all year. We are rehearsing a lot for our play next Tuesday and as a reward for our hard work we had a pizza party on Friday. The weather has been glorious and so we have made the most of it and done some learning outside.



*Enjoying the sun together*

## YEAR 3 AND 4

It was a super hot afternoon practising for sports day on Tuesday but the children did really well and are looking forward to the real event on Monday. A shout out to Mrs McVeigh for organising the events for us. The class has been working on reviewing 2d and 3d shapes and while we had the new year 3 children in our class, learnt about symmetry. In a combined English and Science activity, the class read about Alexander Graham Bell and found out facts about him. They then wrote a paragraph using all they had learnt about him. While part of the class has helped out Ms Belfort in her show production, the children have been learning to play new games in our classroom.

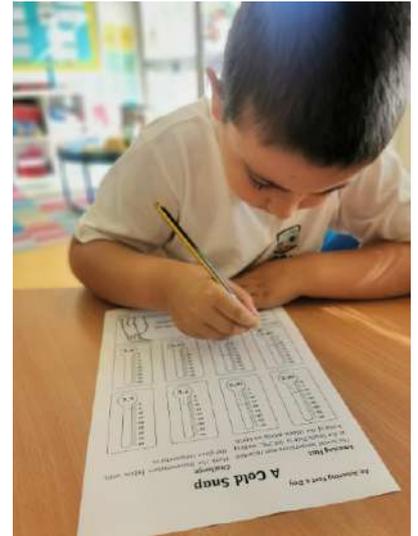


# YEAR 1 AND 2

With these scorching temperatures, it was a brilliant week to start our new maths topic about measuring temperature. The children enjoyed using a thermometer to read the temperature in the room and then in various cups of water.

In English, we concluded our poetry topic with a poem called 'I Like Me'. The children identified the rhyming words before writing their own poem about what they like about themselves, using repetition and rhyming in their verses!

Our practice sports day was certainly a highlight this week. We can't wait to compete in the real event on Monday, and look forward to seeing as many parents as possible there!



## EARLY YEARS



As we begin to approach the end of term we are having discussions about our emotions and how we may feel as change approaches. It's important to understand we may feel lots of emotions such as excitement, sadness, anticipation and nerves and this is really ok! We have read books this week to support with processing our emotions.





# SECONDARY NEWS



## German literature trip -On the footsteps of Hermann Hesse in Lugano

A group of first language German students from year 10/11/12 travelled to Lugano this Tuesday to explore the life and work of renowned Swiss-German author and literature noble price laureate Hermann Hesse.

Even though we were met by a thunderstorm the group bravely made their way up the hills above Lugano and enjoyed their visit to the Hesse museum in Montagnola, learning all about the writer's life, his work and the philosophy of self discovery Hesse is famous for.

A hike down to the less know part of Lake Lugano and a boat ride back to Lugano in glorious weather rounded of a fantastic day for all involved.

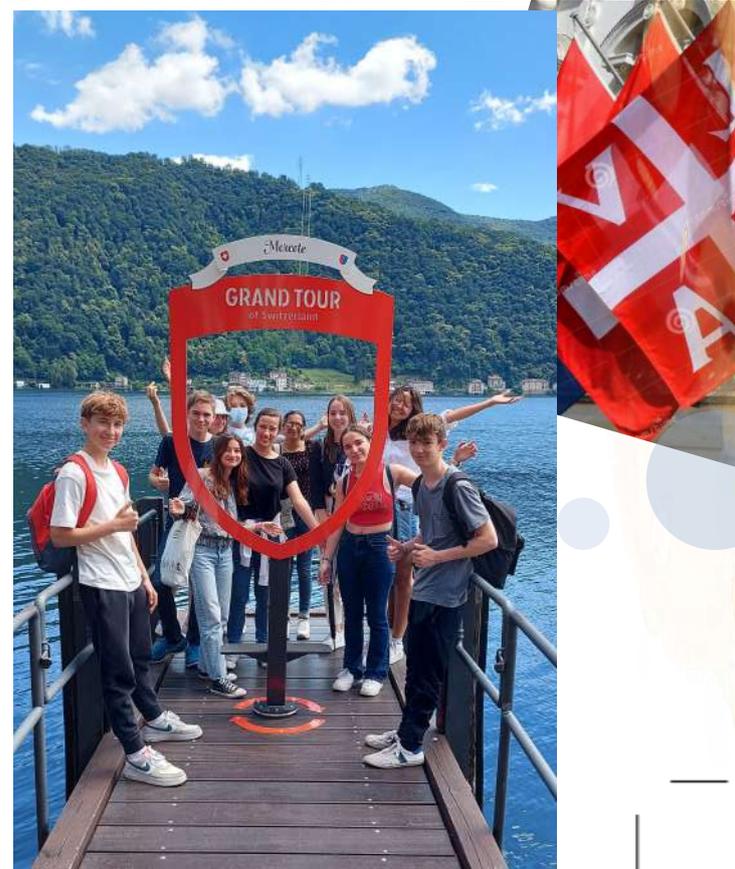
And as some of our participants are graduating, what more fitting words could there be than Hesse's famous poem 'Steps' encouraging our young learners to never stop wondering and embrace the world with all it has to offer.

### *Steps - by Hermann Hesse*

*As every blossom fades  
and all youth sinks into old age,  
so every life's design, each flower of wisdom,  
attains its prime and cannot last forever.  
The heart must submit itself courageously  
to life's call without a hint of grief,  
A magic dwells in each beginning,  
protecting us, telling us how to live.*

*High purposed we shall traverse realm on realm,  
cleaving to none as to a home,  
the world of spirit wishes not to fetter us  
but raise us higher, step by step.  
Scarce in some safe accustomed sphere of life  
have we establish a house, then we grow lax;  
only he who is ready to journey forth  
can throw old habits off.*

*Maybe death's hour too will send us out new-born  
towards undreamed-lands,  
maybe life's call to us will never find an end  
Courage my heart, take leave and fare thee well.*





# TRIP TO JEREZ



**Wow! What a week we have had!**

## Sunday

After a very early departure from ISCS, we checked in our luggage and navigated our way through Zurich Airport. Many a Starbucks bought, early morning candy chomped and our flight delayed, but we made it to Jerez in one piece after changing planes in Barcelona. Upon arrival at Sage College, we cooled off in the pool and settled into our rooms before grabbing food from the cafe and an early night. *Photo caption: Victoria, Ishani, Zahraa and Alamaha were loving it!*



## Monday

In the morning, students received a lecture from an external organisation about careers and skills development before moving on to participate in and observe the 'Sage Games'. Following this, they were paired with their Sage College counterparts and followed an academic timetable. Following their busy day, they had some free time by the pool and in the common room. After dinner, we headed for a walk around the local lake to take pictures of the sunset across the Spanish horizon! *Photo caption: Milan and Carlo were bouncing their balls all the way around!*



## Tuesday

We were shown around the local city of Jerez by one of the teachers who was born and raised here. We saw the cathedral, city walls, fortress and castle as well as took a tour of a Bodega and visited a museum about Flamenco. We covered a lot of ground and history! After our sightseeing, we took an hour and a half to relax, have a drink and eat some lunch before heading back to school. *Photo caption: Alexander and Carlo couldn't get enough of their grape juice at the Bodega!*



## Wednesday

We visited the centre of Cadiz and were greeted by a very friendly local Spanish tour guide who walked us around some of the key historical sights in the city. Before lunchtime, we climbed the stairs to the top of Torre Tavira - the highest point in the city - to get an amazing panoramic view and experience the awesome camera obscura. Following that, we went to the beach! The students were great: playing games with new friends, trying their Spanish skills when ordering ice creams and hiding in the shade when they needed to. *Photo caption: Everyone sang the traditional song of Cadiz in front of the Gran Teatro Falla.*



## Thursday and Friday

Another two full days at school with students following their counterparts and enjoying lessons as part of the Sage community. It was great to see them getting 'stuck in' and enjoying being part of regular school life. Tonight (Friday) we will be having a BBQ and Pool Party so that we can say goodbye in style! See you next week, ISCS (with many memories and great tan!).



## Football Game vs Montana

On June 12th our Football team travelled to Montana International school and successfully closed the football season. We showed outstanding achievement and played well as a team. We scored 5, they scored 7! Despite playing away, we got support from the cheering team that managed to get their way there too!



## ISCS House Competition

We have 5 days left of the competition. Yellow House reached 5000+ points that is already our ISCS record. Blue house joined the rest teams with 4000+

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Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

