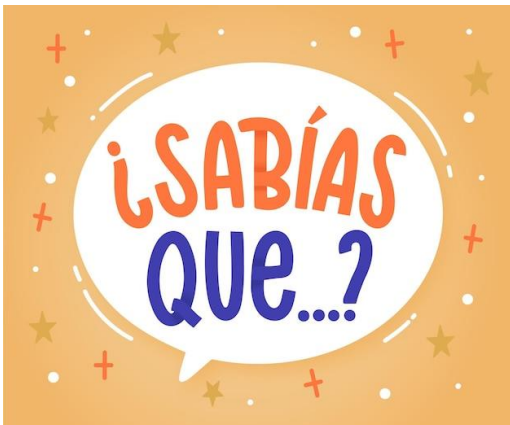




SPANISH NEWSLETTER

Bienvenidos to the last newsletter of this academic year... I cannot believe it is the end already. **Time flies when you are having fun.** This year has been such an amazing journey and such an enjoyable experience for me to teach my own language and share my culture with everybody, not only students but also colleagues and parents. I am super happy to announce I will continue to do it next academic year...so keep your eyes peeled for the newsletter, to keep learning fun facts about Spain, Spanish people, and Miss Sánchez 😊

As you all know I am from Sevilla and even though it is a beautiful city, you should **NEVER** visit Seville over the summer months. Well, you can, if you are brave enough to survive over 40 degrees. Sevilla turns into a 'Ghost City' during the summer months. You will find nobody on the streets during the day due to the high temperatures. Air



conditioners become our best friend and it is when we spend all afternoon sleeping "**la siesta**". We are not lazy; we simply have nothing to do lol That is the reason why most people from Sevilla will have a summer house in either Huelva or Cádiz, and let me add, I would really recommend visiting any of these places if you really want to enjoy the



proper Spanish atmosphere, the proper food (paella without chorizo...), culture and language!!

If you love white sandy beaches look no further than the **Costa de la Luz**. You will not be disappointed 😊

It has been 10 years since I have been to Sevilla. I tend to go only over the summer holidays to Spain (like we all do in Northern Ireland) and believe it or not, even though I will complain all year around that I am cold in Northern Ireland, I could not cope anymore with the temperature in Sevilla so guess what? Yes, I will be going to **Costa de la Luz** all summer, to eat those yummy **croquetas** my mum will make for me, lot of **queso** and **jamón serrano**.



And of course, to enjoy the beach, which is what the little child inside me miss the most living abroad (hopefully my mum does not read this, so she still makes me the yummy food when I go)

¿QUÉ HEMOS ESTADO APRENDIENDO? WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING?

YEAR 8

We have been busy revising **Todo sobre mi vida** (all about my life) in preparation to our summer exam. The year 8 boys and girls have smashed their first year learning a foreign language. Mr Harris and I are so proud of them and how far they have got this year with this new subject.

Boys and girls have been learning about **Mi colegio** (My school), mastering previous knowledge from last year. We have very talented students in Year 9 who has shown great skills in the summer exam and throughout the year... Maybe we have here some future GCSE Spanish students? We'll see 😊

YEAR 9

YEAR 10

Students have been learning about **Mi tiempo libre** (My free time) revising and mastering this topic full of vocabulary and grammar. We have really good students, and we are so glad we will still see some faces next year for GCSE!

This term has been a short one for our Year 11 students who were on study leave. Students have been preparing for their speaking exam for next year. Mr Harris and I know how hard it is to speak a foreign language in front of people so honestly **WELL DONE TO EVERYBODY** 😊

YEAR 11

Spanish is the official language of Spain and it's spoken by **72% of the population**. But 6 of the 17 autonomous communities in Spain have other co-official languages besides Spanish. They're **Catalan, Basque, Galician, and Aranese**

**Do You
Know
These
Facts?**



One unforgettable festival is the La Tomatina tomato fight. La Tomatina is a special event in Spain's festival culture. It began as an impromptu tomato fight during a parade in Buñol in 1945 and has since become a beloved annual tradition that draws enthusiastic participants from around the world to pelt each other with tomatoes.

Bull running is one of Spain's adrenaline-filled traditions. Every year, Pamplona hosts the renowned San Fermín festival, which is known for its thrilling and risky "Running of the Bulls" event. Adventure-seekers and spectators from all corners of the globe gather to witness brave participants sprint ahead of powerful bulls through the city's narrow streets.

