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Message from Mr. O' Connor

Dear Parents and Friends,

Some of the greatest minds speak of the characteristics of those people that have changed, or are changing the World both politically, educationally, emotionally and financially. One of the trends that is being shared is the importance of the '5 buckets principle' and that those people that truly have their 5 buckets full have a greater chance of fulfilling their ambitions. The 5 buckets

are resumed by knowledge, skills, networking, resources and our own reputation. How does this reflect on Green Valley and our school environment? Knowledge and skills are the foundation stones of all curriculums, both the UK Curriculum and indeed the Diploma Program for the International Baccalaureate. Both the Primary School and Secondary School work tirelessly to ensure that all subjects and skills are shared and transmitted to our students... all subjects are important in their own way, from Maths to Drama lessons, from Science to Human Values. These are all important components that help form the students' knowledge and skills. In order to fully prepare our students for an ever changing World, concepts such as these provide a refreshing perspective that we can all aim for.

My best wishes as always.

Mr. James O' Connor

Headmaster and Co-Founder of GVS

Primary Section

Dates for your Diary

- Wednesday 13th March: Year 5 visit to Sa Bassa Blanca
- Thursday 14th March: Year 2 visit to the Ostrich Farm
- Tuesday 19th March: Year 3 visit to Gordiola
- Tuesday 19th and Thursday 21st March: Primary Parent Meetings 16:00
- Friday March 22nd: Primary Eggshibition of Easter Eggs 14:30 - 15:00
- **Tuesday 26th March: Last Day of Spring Term**

Message from Ms. Jan Harvey

Dear Families,

I hope you enjoyed the lovely long weekend. Since our last Newsletter, we have enjoyed Carnival/Friendship Day on Friday 23rd followed by our Science week last week.

During Carnival/Friendship Day, we began with our assembly where everyone had the chance to show off their amazing costumes. Our thanks to all the parents who organised this as the children looked fabulous! The children spent the morning in their classes doing a range of activities related to Carnival, then during the afternoon they split into their houses, and we concentrated on friendship and teambuilding activities. As I am sure they have told you, they had a brilliant day. I am sure you can see this also from the photographs. Thank you to all the staff for ensuring this was a fun day for all.

Last week, we held our 3rd subject week of this school year when we concentrated on Science. The week proved to be great fun, with the children enjoying a range of activities which provided the opportunity to carry out lots of hands-on investigations. As well as finding out about many important scientists during English as they created some lovely fact files. We finished the week with each class going into all the other classes to have a look at what everyone had been doing and reading the fact files. Thank you to Ms. Laura, for organising this fascinating week for us.

Our next eggciting event will be during our last full week of the term, when we will be decorating eggs for our Annual Eggsibition. This will be on Friday 22nd of March when we invite you to come to school at 3:00 p.m. to see all the amazing displays. In previous years we have had some rather large creations, so this year, we are restricting the displays to no bigger than a shoebox size. As always, each child will need to bring in either a hardboiled or blown egg (and possibly a spare in case of breakages) and any other resources they want to add to their design including the shoebox if they are using one. We will allocate a day when the children have time to work on their designs, teachers will inform you via MMe which day their class will be doing this. Please may we remind you that all the work on the

egg and shoe box must be done in school only if it is going to be included in the class competition.

During next week you will receive your child's Spring Term report, it will contain the link to arrange meetings if you need to discuss any aspect of the report further with your child's teacher. Parent meetings will be on Tuesday 19th and Thursday 21st March.

All that remains is for me to thank you as always for your support and cooperation. It is truly appreciated. Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

Ms. Jan Harvey

Head of Primary

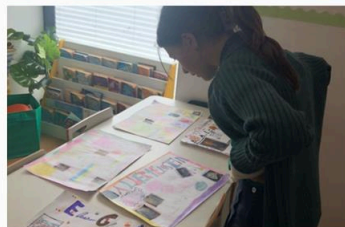
Carnival and Friendship Day 2024







Science Week 2024







Secondary Section

Message from Mr. Drew Sparkman

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Today, I would like to inform you about our Term 2 reports and the Term 2 Academic Review Day. Year 13 reports will be sent on Friday, March 15th. Reports for KS3, KS4, and Year 12 will be sent on

Monday, March 25th. Our Term 2 Academic Review Day will be on Tuesday, March 26th.

Regarding the plan our the Academic Review Day, it is as follows:

- Students are required to come to school as it is a school day.
- Parents and guardians can come at scheduled times to meet with subject teachers.
- Students in KS3, Year 10, and Year 12 will participate in Sports Day, which is an inter-house competition involving a variety of sports.
- Students in Year 11 and Year 13 will maintain their class schedule.
- Because Year 11 and Year 13 will maintain their class schedule, this will affect the availability of some teachers and their meeting times.
- At 8:45, Mr. Sparkman will present to interested parents the Cambridge IGCSE subject options for next year. He will also distribute the subject selection form to attending parents. This presentation will last until 9:40.
- At 15:00, Mr. Méndez will present to interested parents the IBDP subject options for next year. He will also distribute the subject selection form to attending parents. This presentation will last until 16:00.

Below, you will find the sign up sheets for the subject teachers. Please write your name and the name of your child in the desired time slot.

You will also find sign up sheets for the two presentations.

- [Ainhoa Beunza - Geography and History](#)
- [Ana Lopez - Art and Design](#)
- [Bet Porta - Spanish, Catalan, Socials](#)
- [Billy Fisher - Music](#)
- [Chris Bennett - Business Studies, Business Management, Enterprise](#)
- [Danielle Briggs - Mathematics](#)

- [David Mendez - Spanish](#)
- [Drew Sparkman - English, Global Perspectives, CAS, University Orientation, Theory of Knowledge](#)
- [Erik Sjoberg - Swedish and Spanish](#)
- [Eva Fitz - English](#)
- [Giulietta Lang - Mathematics](#)
- [James Thomson - Science, Chemistry, ESS](#)
- [Laurence Rieg - French](#)
- [Llorenç Mercer - Art & Design, Visual Arts, Critical Thinking](#)
- [Magdalena Zehetner - German](#)
- [Marta Sabater Bonet - Spanish and Socials](#)
- [Matt Dixon - Physics and Mathematics](#)
- [Rosa Portillo - Spanish](#)
- [Sara Louro - Biology](#)
- [Sonia Gonzalez - Business Studies and Business Management](#)
- [Vanesa Cifre - Spanish, Catalan, Socials](#)

Below, you will find the sign up forms for the presentations:

- [IGCSE subject options and selection](#)
- [IBDP subject options and selection](#)

Year 7 and 8 Trip to Lluçmajor's Puig de Cura

On Thursday 29th February, Green Valley's Years 7 and 8 went out on a field trip to Lluçmajor's Puig de Cura. The trip was designed to offer some insight on the three monastery mountain as well as the geography of the area.

We started our hike from Lluçmajor, on the Camí de Gràcia, which took us past some very old stone

crosses, markers for the old road up the hill and towards the first monastery, Gràcia. We initiated ascending the mounting at 10:00 a.m. and reached the top at 12:00 noon, so our students did really well and managed to navigate the terrain and the sun with an excellent sense of humour. We also walked past a farm with some very friendly dogs and donkeys, and enjoyed some of the wild aromatic herbs that grow in the area.

Once at the top, we visited the outside of the weather station and the children enjoyed the 360 degree image of Mallorca, as well as the breathtaking view of Cabrera. We played football and had lunch. After that we went down towards the Algaida side of the mountain, which took us through some very slippery paths which our students enjoyed the most. But the best thrills came with the tunnel crossing over to the other side of the mountain, an old military facility and now just a passageway open to everyone which our children really enjoyed.

After that, it was all easy and down towards the village of Randa, one of the most beautiful in the island, where we were picked up by our bus and returned to Green Valley. In any case, an experience worth repeating and a great chance for our students to make memories together and continue building our community. (Mr Llorenc)

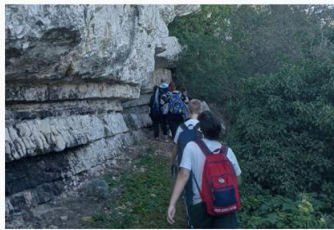
As always thank you for your support.

Warmest regards,

Drew Sparkman, MEd

Head of Secondary

Year 7 and 8 Trip to Lluçmajor's Puig de Cura





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