

# BCA Newsletter





#### PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

Throughout the school year, this Newsletter has highlighted, every two weeks, the achievements of our students, and linked these closely to the BCA Mission and our vision for high-quality learning. Let us once more celebrate all that has been accomplished, and thank our staff, our parents, and the wider community, for making this happen. Our <u>new school video</u> beautifully demonstrates what we have created at BCA.

Next year we are looking forward to welcoming many new children and their families to the school. Our new Nursery class recently came to the school for an introductory visit. At this point, though, I would like to say farewell to those students who will be leaving the school, and sincerely thank their parents for placing their trust in the school during their time with us.

Next term begins on **Friday 9th September 2022**. It is an unusual week with only one school day (we are obliged to follow the Andorran <u>school calendar</u>), but all children are expected to be present for that important first day back, which will be a regular day of learning.

You will have an opportunity to meet your child's teachers and teaching assistants at the start of term. Details of this 'Back to School' event will be provided during July.

The summer holidays are a great opportunity for students to continue learning and to, at leisure, pursue interests and talents more deeply than they might normally have time for during the school term. Reading and journaling are surefire ways to promote language proficiency. Occasional maths practice will always be beneficial. Board games and card games promote all kinds of learning benefits. Creating opportunities for children to plan their own days or, for the older children, to plan what the whole family will be doing, will promote their personal organisation and leadership.

I wish you a safe and happy holiday.

Mr Harry Lock
Principal

#### **NOTIFICATIONS**



#### 'Climate for Learning' Survey

A reminder to please complete the survey, using the link sent by email on 21st June. It is important that we hear from as many people as possible.

#### **Summer Camp**

There are some places still available at the BCA Summer Camp.

The BCA Summer Camp will run throughout the month of July and will include a mix of academic elements, workshops (cooking, Lego, blind-folded video games, TikTok (12-15), and yoga (3-6), among others), as well as excursions to 360 Extreme and Pal Mountain Park.

- You can find more detailed information here
- If you're interested in signing up, the online form is <u>here</u>

Thank you,

#### Tess Winiarski

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#### **BCA Class Posters**

We were very pleased with the results of this year's official school photographs, and intend to repeat the initiative next year.

We are also now making available a poster of your child's photo group that you can order between now and the

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end of July.

The cost is 15€ and the size is 30x40cm. This is an example:

Please note, it would be the same system to order the pictures but you can collect them directly in Pujol's studio if you order them after the 30th June. (12.00pm).

https://fotolabandorra.com/ (same password as before)



#### **NOTIFICATIONS**

#### **Uniform Drive**

A reminder also to support this week's 'Uniform Drive'.

#### UNIFORM DONATION

to our USED UNIFORM

DRIVE

## **GIFT YOUR OLD UNIFORM A NEW LIFE**

Do you have uniforms your chold has outgrow, but are still good shape?



Bring any clean school uniform item that is new or in good condition from now.

Please, turn uniforms to Miss Irina (reception).



#### **CYGNETS**



As we look at these young faces, we realise that they have improved and developed so much since they first entered the classroom back in September 2021. We are really proud of their progress, not only academically, but also socially and emotionally. They

have learnt to be a group, and every single one of them has developed into a very special individual.















#### **PENGUINS**

We can't believe that the end of the school year has arrived! The children have worked so hard, learnt so much, and got so grown up.

In our 'On the Beach project', we have been learning about animals that live in the sea, and finding out about worldwide seas and oceans. We have been exploring the importance of looking after the environment to keep living things safe.

We have also made the most of the warmer weather and used the outdoor space as much as possible.

Now it is time for the children to move into Year I, where we know they will continue to do their best. We are very proud of them and wish the children the best of luck! Thank you for the happy memories!













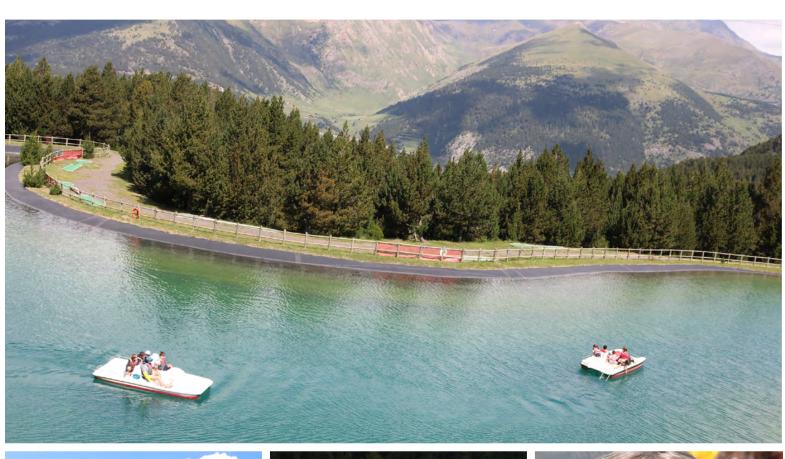


### MON(T) MÀGIC



To celebrate the end of the year, Owls and Robins went to visit Mon(t) Magic for a day of fun mountain activities. This included Fornatura guided walk, archery, bigair bag, acrojump, trampolines, inflatables, tubing and learning about bee keeping.

What a good final week to enjoy with friends!



















#### **KINGFISHERS**



Kingfishers have been learning about the Stone Age. They learned about Stonehenge in England and tried to build a model of it using biscuits.





#### **EAGLES**

In the Catalan lessons, Eagles have worked really hard during this year, analysing texts and acquiring more vocabulary. They will bring home all their notebooks, so families could have the opportunity to see their improvement.

In this session they were creating the front Cover of their Catalan booklet.



#### **FRIENDSHIP**



A 'sense of belonging' is essential for everyone. Friendship and emotional support is the foundation to develop an exceptional education. The opportunities for purposeful play, using our outdoor spaces, helps to develop this part of a BCA education.

What new opportunities and friendships will the next school year bring?





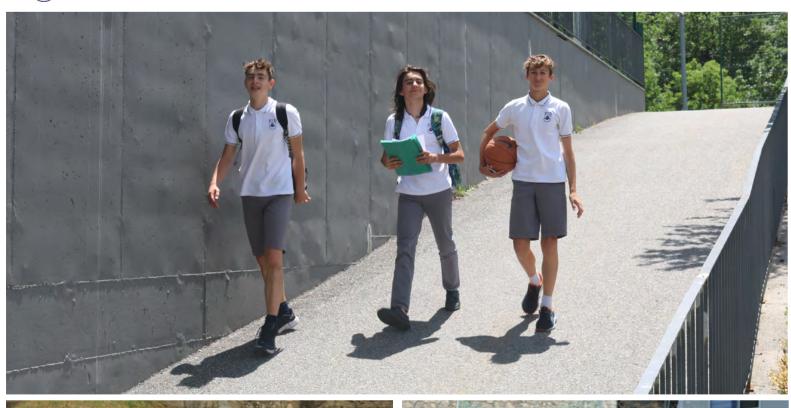








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#### **CONDORS' PSHE LESSON**



Year 7 class has been working on Attention: What is attention? How does it work in our brain? What is distraction?

Our modern world has plenty of distractions which can take us off task! In groups the students have been role playing some distraction situations. They played the role of the teacher and some students. The other groups were observing and providing feedback.

They were asked to think about what kind of strategies they have to improve attention.













#### **TUTOR TIME IN FALCONS**

In Year 8 tutor time this term we have worked on different teamwork, communication and leadership skills. This week students were completing a "3-handed building" challenge, where in a pair or group they had to complete it with their hands tied together. Students had to build the tallest structure possible, just using paper, one piece of blue tack and I metre of sellotape.













#### **OSPREYS**



Year 9 students took on a complex project where they got all their skills together to design and build a fully functional lamp!

All original designs require great amounts of creativity, patience and hard work, but the results really are astonishing!





