

SAGE COLLEGE

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SPORTS DAY 2025

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Our Sagers at the Sports Day 2025 awards ceremony



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MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR

“Mens Sana in Corpore Sano”

Dear families and friends,

As we come to the final stretch of the academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the value of physical activity in the education and overall development of our children.

The ancient phrase "Mens Sana in Corpore Sano" – a healthy mind in a healthy body – has never been more relevant. In an age where young people are increasingly drawn to screens and sedentary lifestyles, the importance of regular physical activity cannot be overstated. At Sage College, we firmly believe that sport and physical education are not peripheral add-ons, but essential elements of a well-rounded education.

When I speak of sport, I'm not referring to the commercialised world of elite professional competition, but rather to the true essence of physical activity: its capacity to teach teamwork, resilience, discipline, perseverance after defeat, and the pursuit of a shared goal. These are the values that truly shape character and equip young people with the tools to face life's many challenges.

As a Physical Education teacher for much of my career, I've seen first-hand the transformative power of sport in the lives of my students. I've watched shy children grow in confidence, restless teenagers find focus, and entire classes learn the meaning of cooperation and determination through movement and play.

Since our arrival at Sage, it has been a priority to place sport and physical activity at the heart of both the academic and extracurricular programme. The results speak for themselves: from our vibrant Sports Day and Athletics competitions at Chapín, to our ever-growing sports clubs and after-school activities, the annual Ski Trip, basketball, dance, karate, gymnastics, sailing in Puerto Sherry, chess tournaments, and the incredible enthusiasm for table tennis across the school. Add to this the expansion of our High-Performance Programme in Football, Sailing, Golf and Tennis, including our recent partnership with Sevilla FC, and we can be truly proud of the diversity and quality of sporting opportunities available to our students.

Thank you to all the families who support and share this passion, to the teachers and coaches who dedicate their time and energy, and above all to the children, who are the beating heart of every sports programme at Sage.

And always remember: “**Mens sana in corpore sano**”.

With warm regards,

Alexander Wickham
Director of Sage College



-EARLY YEARS NEWS-

Busy Bees became archaeologists

The children learned how fossils are made and how they help us understand the past. They made their own fossils using clay and went on an exciting dig to discover dinosaurs.

This is a theme the children in Reception are very much enjoying; with so much awe and wonder it's no surprise!



TRAVEL AROUND THE WORLD

Exploring the world at 'Sal y Viaja'

Last week, our Early Years students embarked on a magical adventure around the world through the immersive experience offered by Sal y Viaja. This enriching project is designed to introduce young children to the diversity of continents and cultures across the globe—an engaging way to spark curiosity and promote global awareness from an early age.

With passports in hand and a great sense of excitement, the children began their journey by "boarding an airplane," ready to explore distant lands. Their first stop was the Arctic, where they learned about the cold climate and life in icy regions. The children had the opportunity to go "fishing" and even visited an igloo, experiencing firsthand how people adapt to life in such an extreme environment.



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-EARLY YEARS NEWS-

Next, they “flew” to Africa, where the vibrant culture came to life. The children explored African wildlife, listened to traditional music, and practiced typical dances. They also learned about the different styles of houses and the everyday life of people living in various parts of the continent. One of the highlights of the visit was crafting their own African necklaces—a creative and memorable way to connect with the culture.



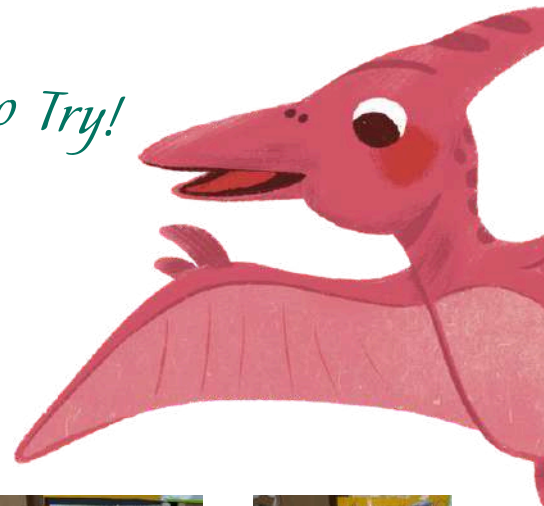
Make Your Own Dinosaur Eggs

Fun Materials to Try!



We've been having a blast exploring the world of dinosaurs! Over the past few weeks, we've been making our own dinosaur eggs using different materials like baking soda, clay, and even paper mâché.

These creative experiments have helped us explore where dinosaurs came from, the many types that once existed, and how baby dinosaurs might have cracked open their eggs. Each activity has been a fun way to combine science, art, and a little bit of prehistoric mystery!



- PRIMARY NEWS -

Bold Like Basquiat!

Year 5S swap pencils for paint and dive into a world of colour and creativity

Year 5S have been exploring the world of contemporary art through the work of Jean-Michel Basquiat! Known for his bold colours, expressive lines, and powerful symbolism, Basquiat was a New York artist whose work often combined words, images, and layers of meaning.

Inspired by his unique style, Year 5S created their own vibrant pieces using a similar colour scheme and painting techniques. They experimented with strong lines, contrasting colours, and even added some symbolic touches of their own to reflect their personal ideas and stories.



It was a fantastic opportunity for students to connect with modern art and express themselves in bold and creative ways!



Rolling into Art!

Marble Painting

This week, Year 6 had great fun exploring a creative and messy art technique—painting with marbles! By rolling marbles dipped in paint across paper, we created colourful, abstract patterns while learning about motion and coordination. It was a brilliant way to combine art and a bit of science, and the results were as unique as each student!

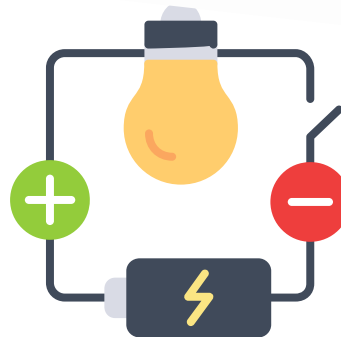


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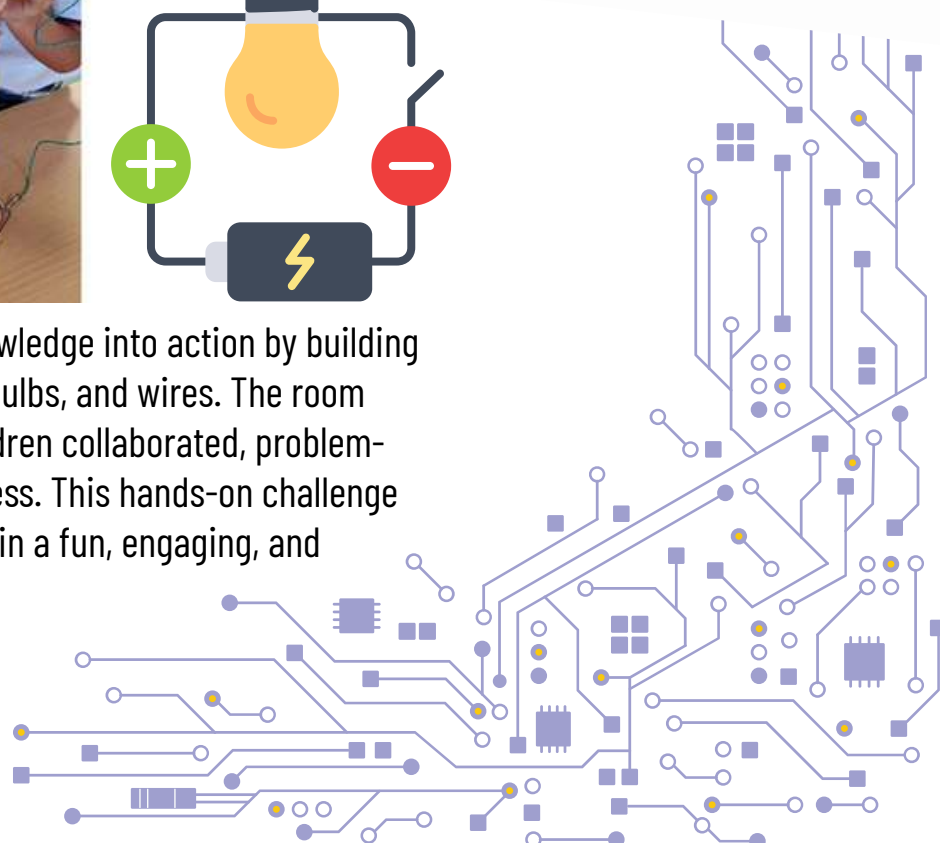
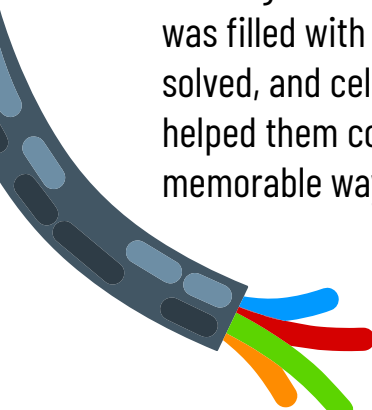
Lighting up Year 2's Learning!

Building Circuits

Year 2 have quite literally been lighting up their learning with our exciting topic on electricity. We explored where electricity comes from, how it's used in everyday life, and how to stay safe around it. The children especially enjoyed identifying electrical items and drawing simple circuit diagrams to show their growing understanding.



In our final lesson, we put our knowledge into action by building working circuits using batteries, bulbs, and wires. The room was filled with excitement as children collaborated, problem-solved, and celebrated their success. This hands-on challenge helped them consolidate learning in a fun, engaging, and memorable way.





SAGE FEST 2025

END OF SCHOOL YEAR CELEBRATION

19TH JUNE

15:00 - 17:00
SAGE SPORTS COMPLEX

All families welcome!!

**Water Bouncy
castles**

**Swimming
pool party**

FAIR STALLS

Sage Café

LIVE MUSIC

raffle

foam party



**Get your
bracelet for 4 euros and
participate in all the games!!**



ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO ANPEHI

-SECONDARY NEWS-



Year 8 Trip to Baelo Claudia and Bolonia Beach

As part of our annual tradition, Year 8 students recently enjoyed a memorable trip to the Roman ruins of Baelo Claudia and the beautiful beach of Bolonia. This visit is a fantastic opportunity for students to deepen their understanding of Roman civilization. They explored the impressive remains of the ancient city, including the forum, the theatre, and the baths, learning about the structure and function of Roman cities.



A highlight of the trip was discovering the history of garum, a famous Roman fish sauce that was produced in Baelo Claudia. The day ended with some relaxing time at the beach, making it a perfect combination of education and fun.



Y12 READY FOR THE CHALLENGE!

Final Preparation for A Level Spanish Exams

Our Year 12 students are in the final stretch of their preparation for the A Level Spanish official exams. Having taken this subject over the course of just one academic year, they have worked extremely efficiently to cover all the content required across the three exam components.

The oral component, already completed, involved a 30-minute recording in which students presented topics related to international current affairs and global interest. They demonstrated strong argumentation, critical thinking, and debating skills across a range of topics. Each student also carried out an individual research project, presenting it and responding thoughtfully to the examiner's questions.



-SECONDARY NEWS-

Years 7 & 8 – Preparing for End-of-Year ICT Exams

As we approach the end of term, students in Years 7 and 8 are getting ready for their ICT exams. These assessments will cover the key digital skills they've developed this year, helping them build confidence for future learning.

Year 7 students are revising three main areas: E-Safety, Word Processing, and Presentations. They should understand how to stay safe online, keep personal information private, and create strong passwords. In word processing, they've practised formatting text, inserting images correctly, and recognising copyright symbols. For presentations, students are learning how to design clear slides, use animations, and speak confidently to an audience.

Year 8 students are focusing on Spreadsheets, Databases, and Computer Systems. They've been working with formulas, charts, and sorting tools in spreadsheets. In databases, they're reviewing how to search and filter information and understand key terms like fields and records. They're also revisiting the basic parts of a computer system, how networks work, and how to use technology safely and responsibly.



A Milestone for Our Media Enrichment Class: Our First TV Interview!

This week marked an exciting milestone for our Media Enrichment class, we successfully recorded our very first TV interview! It was a fantastic experience for everyone involved, and I couldn't be prouder of how the group came together and performed.

Each student stepped confidently into their roles, whether behind the camera, managing sound and lighting, directing the scene, or asking the interview questions. The level of teamwork, focus, and professionalism they demonstrated was truly impressive, especially for a first-time production.

For our debut interview, we had the privilege of speaking with Mr. Stephanides, Head of Key Stage 5. The students asked thoughtful questions about the transition from Key Stage 4 to Key Stage 5, and Mr. Stephanides provided valuable insights and advice that will surely benefit many students navigating this important stage of their education.

This first production was a big step forward, and we are proud of what we've achieved as a team. I can't wait to see what this talented group creates next!





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MIDDLE SCHOOL BONDING CAMP



PRICE: 250€

10-12 SEPT, 2025

Outdoor games, Gymkhana, pool games, night meetings, workshops, trekking, canoeing, climbing, music and drama etc.



For Who?

Years 7-8-9

Activity led by Mr Wickham and Mr Ambrose

Where?

Coto de la Isleta

El Puerto de Santa María

-SECONDARY NEWS-

Exam Revision Advice

It is important to find a revision strategy that works for you. There are many different ways to learn information and revise for an examination.

Active Recall

Test yourself regularly without looking at your notes to strengthen memory.

Use Visual Aids

Diagrams, mind maps, and flowcharts help with understanding and remembering complex ideas.

Teach What You Learn

Explaining a topic to someone else reinforces your understanding and highlights gaps.

Create Mnemonics & Acronyms

Use memory tricks to help remember lists, sequences, or processes.

Chunking Information

Break large amounts of information into smaller, manageable chunks.

Make Concept Maps

Link related concepts to see the bigger picture and how ideas connect.

Practice with Past Papers & Quizzes

Reinforce content and get comfortable with question styles and timing.

Summarize Topics in Your Own Words

Writing brief summaries helps you process and personalize the information.

Incorporate Storytelling

Turn facts into stories or scenarios to make them more memorable.

Use Audio Tools

Record key points and listen to them while walking, commuting, or relaxing.



Business Exams Complete: A Job Well Done!

Over the past few weeks, our Year 11, 12, and 13 students have been hard at work preparing for and sitting their IGCSE and A Level Business Studies exams. From mastering key concepts to refining their analytical and evaluative writing skills, students showed real focus and determination throughout this intense period.

In class, they engaged in targeted revision sessions, tackled past paper questions, and participated in peer discussions to deepen their understanding of business theory and its real-world applications. Whether analysing market strategies, interpreting financial data, or evaluating complex business decisions, they demonstrated both knowledge and resilience.

Now that the exams are complete, we want to congratulate all our Business students on their dedication and hard work. You've done yourselves proud—and we're proud of you too!



- PARENT COUNCIL NEWS -

Building Community Together Another Great Sage Parent Meetup!

Our recent Sage Parent Meetup was a fantastic success! Families enjoyed meaningful conversations while the kids had fun at the playground. After a shared lunch, we hosted a lively community swap where parents exchanged household goods, books, clothing, and toys – a wonderful way to share resources and connect.

Sage Parent Council Update

This month, we also held another joyful gathering at Azúcar de Cuba in Rota, a beautiful venue generously hosted by one of our own Sage families. While adults enjoyed relaxed conversation and delicious food, the kids had a great time playing on the beach.

These monthly meetups – whether at school or out in the community – are a great opportunity to strengthen our bonds, share ideas, and support one another as families of Sage.

We warmly invite you to join us at the school coffee mornings at the end of each month, or at our informal off-campus meetups.

Want to stay in the loop?

Join our WhatsApp group by emailing us at:

✉ parentcouncil@sagecollege.eu

We hope to see you soon!

– The Sage Parent Council



- PASTORAL NEWS -

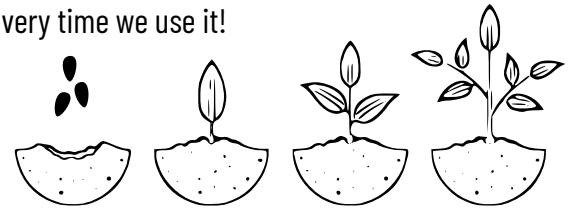
COURAGE and RESILIENCE

In PSHE this month, we are focusing on Courage—particularly how it supports resilience and a growth mindset. Courage isn't just about facing fears; it's about trying again after setbacks, speaking up when something feels wrong, and being willing to grow from mistakes. In class, children are exploring stories of resilience, reflecting on times they've shown courage, and learning strategies to keep going even when things are tough.

A key theme is the growth mindset—the belief that abilities and intelligence can develop through effort and learning. We're helping pupils understand that mistakes are part of the learning journey, and that courage helps us push through challenges rather than avoid them.

You can support this at home by celebrating effort as much as outcomes, and encouraging your child to take on new challenges, even when they feel uncertain. Courage grows stronger every time we use it!

What's one courageous moment your child has had recently?



CHARITY FOR THIS TERM- ANPEHI

ANPEHI began its inspiring journey in 2010, founded by Antonio Pedro—an osteopath and master of Nihon Tai Jitsu. In his practice, Antonio worked with many individuals experiencing mobility challenges. Over time, he noticed a strong connection between rehabilitation exercises and the techniques used in martial arts. Intrigued, he began researching this overlap—only to discover that no structured approach existed.

That realisation sparked a mission. Determined to make a difference, Antonio offered his idea to three organizations supporting people with disabilities. One of them welcomed the proposal—completely free of charge. And so, the **ANPEHI** adventure began!

We are delighted to be supporting this important cause during this term and hopefully continue our collaborations and work together into the future.

<https://anpehi.org/nosotros/>



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TALENT '25

THURSDAY 19TH JUNE 11:00H.
PALM TREES PATIO



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-SAGE SPORTS NEWS-

WHAT A FANTASTIC FIRST YEAR IT HAS BEEN AT SAGE INTERNATIONAL FC.



In what was the club's debut season competing in the Andalusian federated leagues, we not only managed to form four competitive teams – but with those teams, we held our own and more, going toe-to-toe with some of the most historic and respected clubs in the region.

I am delighted to share a summary of the **2024/25 season**:

Benjamín Team

Led by Coach **Salvi** and his assistant **Adri**, the Benjamín team has gone from strength to strength, showing great progress both as a group and as individuals. This development has opened the door for several players to trial with local professional clubs, broadening their football horizons. And, at the time of writing – with just one game left – they still have a chance of finishing **1st in their league**. A remarkable achievement in their first year.

Cadete Team

The Cadete team, coached by **Alex McCarthy, Moises**, and **Diosvany**, delivered a truly unforgettable season. In an intense and hard-fought battle with **Xerez CD**, one of the region's most historic clubs, our team emerged **league champions**. The decisive match was played at **Sage College** in front of hundreds of spectators in the penultimate week of the season. Thanks to their resilience, teamwork, and determination, they achieved something truly special. Congratulations to all involved.

Alevín Team

Under the guidance of Coaches **Gabri, Lolo**, and **David**, the Alevín team also had a fantastic campaign, securing a top 3 league finish. Most importantly, they created a positive, welcoming environment where players could train and compete with intensity – all while maintaining the fun and enjoyment that is so vital at this age. They've laid strong foundations for what promises to be a very exciting **2025/26 season**.

Juvenil Team

The Juvenil team, led by **Salvi, Juanjo**, and **Adri**, showed great spirit throughout the season. Their goal was promotion, and they battled tirelessly to achieve a top-two finish. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be. However, their effort and character were never in doubt. We thank them sincerely for their commitment, and we wish the players moving on to senior football or other challenges the very best of luck.



SPECIAL THANKS

A special mention must go to **João Lelis**, our Head of Physical Preparation, for his tireless work across all categories. His approach combining expert knowledge with patience and care gave our players the physical foundation needed to grow and compete.

Farewells

As the season ends, we also say goodbye and good luck to two people:

- **Moisés**, assistant coach of the Cadete team, will be moving on to new challenges next season. We thank him for his commitment and contribution to a championship-winning campaign.
- And especially, to **Salvi Crespo**, who has played a vital role this year as both **club coordinator** and coach of the **Benjamín** and **Juvenil** teams. His dedication, passion, and leadership have been fundamental in shaping Sage International FC in its inaugural season. We are incredibly grateful for all he has done and wish him the very best in his new role.

To all the families your support, energy, and belief made this incredible first season possible. We can't wait to see what we build together next.

OUR FUTURE

ii Vamos Sage International FC.!!



SAGE INTERNATIONAL FC



SEVILLA FC

Official Announcement

Sage College and Sage International FC are pleased to announce a collaboration agreement with Sevilla Fútbol Club. A strategic partnership aimed at boosting the development and growth of our sports project. This alliance has been established with a clear objective: to achieve our sporting goals and to consolidate a high-level training programme.

Sage International FC and Sevilla FC: United for Excellence in Youth Football.



Alex McCarthy -

PAR Program Director and Sports Director of Sage International FC



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SEVILLA FC - SAGE INTERNATIONAL FC

23-27 JUNIO

9 A 14H

EDADES 8-19

ACTIVIDADES

- Tecnificación ●
- Preparación Física ●
- Metodología Sevilla FC ●
- Análisis Técnico-Táctico ●
- Competiciones y Torneos ●
- Snack y Piscina diaria ●
- Entrenadores Sevilla FC-SIFC ●
- Scouting Temporada 25/26 ●

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