



Morna International College

Newsletter, October 2006.

OPEN DAY, INAUGURATION FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER.

As previously announced, on the last Friday of this half term there will be a special event to celebrate the establishment of Morna International College on its new Santa Gertrudis site. Given that the site has actually been functioning (although still developing) since September 2004, we have decided to offer an open afternoon combined with a presentation in the theatre area, rather than a traditional 'tape cutting' ceremony.

Parents and guests will be invited to circulate around the classrooms where teachers and pupils will be offering displays of work, demonstrations and other activities. After this there will be a presentation in the theatre with some music and drama items and short speeches.

The afternoon will be structured as follows:

13:30 to 14:45: Classrooms open, parents and guests may circulate freely around the exhibitions.

14:45 to 15:30: Assemble in theatre area, presentations, music and drama.

15:30: Refreshments served.

We hope that all of you are able to attend this event. You will be receiving individual invitations this week.

ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME UP AND RUNNING.

The activities programme started last Monday (2nd October). Approximately 50 pupils have signed up for a range of creative and sporting activities. The first classes were considered "successful and enjoyable" and we hope that the programme will continue to grow. Many thanks to Pauline, Catherine and the IPAMIC committee, who are organising this programme.

BOOKFAIR: TWO DAY VISIT.

Bookworld España are visiting us for two days (Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th October). They will set up their book shop in the mathematics classroom directly in front of the car park. This is an excellent opportunity to buy from a good range of English books. A commission from all sales is donated to the school library.

SPECIAL REASONS TO MISS SCHOOL.

Two pupils will be missing a few school days this term with our wholehearted support. We would like to congratulate Johanna in Year 12 who will be spending some time in Germany promoting her second book "Ich Will".

We would also like to wish every success to Erika in Year 10 who will be representing Switzerland in the world Optimist class dinghy sailing championships at the end of this year.

NEW STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTED (AND WORKING).

Elections took place on Friday 15th September, from which this year's student council representatives were chosen in each class. The Primary section elected their house captains who also stand as representatives on the council.

The council for this year consists of the following members:

Years 11 to 13:

Indiana Petrucci (Es Palmador)
Johanna Driest (Conejera)
Julius Oschmann (Tagomago)

Year 10:

Clothilde Chiavari (Es Palmador)
Janina Heinrichs (Conejera)
Kirsty Keatch (Tagomago)

Year 9:

Charlie Veale (Tagomago)
Jack Walker (Conejera)
Tom Peppe (Es Palmador)

Year 8:

Benjamin Hartmann (Conejera)
Charlin Ooms (Es Palmador)
Djamal Fateh Spiegel (Tagomago)

Year 7:

Matthew Walker (Conejera)
Nikita Cretu (Tagomago)
Sebastian Cretu (Es Palmador)

Year 6:

Asia Pelucchi (Tagomago)
Blu Aragones (Es Palmador)
Koloman Rath (Conejera)

The first meeting was held on Friday 22nd September. A number of suggestions were put forward relating to trips, talent shows and possible house competitions. There was also a spontaneous, and very balanced, debate about the advantages and disadvantages of using lockers.

VOLUNTEERS HELPING THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Secondary pupils are becoming more involved in helping within the school community in their free time, this being an important part of their personal and social education as well as being beneficial to the school. As PSHE Coordinator, Shelley Taylor has made important advances with this programme. I would like to thank both her and the 'pioneering' volunteers: Johanna (Year 12) and Marie (Year 10) who are helping with the library, along with Ada, Marlene, Dolly, Paula, Nierika, Sofia (Year 9) and Marcos (Year 8) who are helping with reading or numeracy in Primary classes.

FORTHCOMING TRIPS

Year 7 will be visiting the "Museo Etnografico" in Santa Eulalia on Tuesday 17th October while Year 8 are being taken to The Necropolis in Puig des Molins on Friday 13th October.

Adrian Massam, Headteacher.