



Primary News January 2015



Positivity



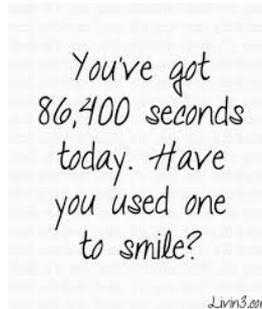
This month we have introduced the value of positivity. Through assemblies and class time the children have explored positivity and how they can be more positive in their home and school life. They have learnt:

- How to use the language of positivity
- How to be positive in their actions
- How to be positive in their body language
- The importance of having a positive attitude on their health and well being.

The children have also taken note of some very simple ideas that have helped them understand how to be positive.



In the British School of Córdoba our glass is always half full.



Finally we promised we would find the time every day to smile, after all it only takes a second!

Focus on Choir



Our Primary choir started in 2012 and has been extremely successful ever since. The choir is run by Miss Kinsey and now due to its popularity we have 70 members. December 2014 was a great month for the choir and saw them performing to the public and representing the school on two very special occasions.

The first event was one organised by Miss Kinsey as a way of supporting our first term's values and getting involved with the local community. A group of 20 year 6 pupils visited two local nursing homes and entertained the residents by singing English Christmas songs. It was a very successful and some what emotional morning as the children realized the challenges faced by the elderly members of our community. Miss Kinsey, Miss Fielding and I felt extremely proud of our students especially as we watched them talk with the residents and listen carefully to the stories that they

wanted to share. We were also struck by the children's empathy and concern for the wellbeing of the people that they met. The children received nothing but praise for their performances.



Choir singing at Residencia San Yres

On the final day of term the whole of choir performed in the city centre to again sing Christmas songs in English. The performance was very well received and it was a wonderful opportunity to share our talent with the wider community.



Choir singing in Gran Capitan in December 2015

This year should also prove another exciting one for the choir as Miss Kinsey has other ideas about how to develop stronger links with the community and we are hoping to arrange for some professional singing and dancing workshops with the money that the choir raised from the art exhibition raffle.

Well done to all members of the choir for their dedication and thank you for being such wonderful ambassadors for our school.



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The Importance of Sleep to aid learning

The British news has recently reported on two separate studies that highlight the link between sleep and a child's ability to learn. It is something that teachers often talk about as we frequently observe tired children and the effects that tiredness has on both learning and behaviour.

The key points of the studies are:

- A good nights sleep is a key indicator in a child's performance in maths and languages.
- Short or interrupted sleep is a significant risk factor

for poor academic performance.

- Children without a bedtime routine have less efficient sleep.
- Excessive light exposure caused by electronic devices being used near to bedtime impacts on sleep.
- Parents should seek help from their family doctor if

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Recommended Apps of the month

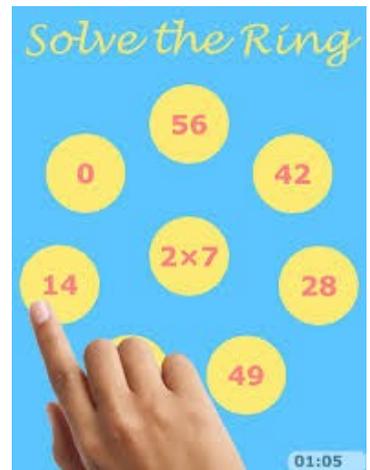
As a mother and a teacher I am always on the look out for useful apps to help my daughter or our students learn. This month I have been particularly impressed with a number of apps.

Reading from Foundation Stage to Year 2.

Search Google Play for the following app. The app is free to download and contains a library of Oxford Reading Tree books. You can then select to buy all the books, different stages or single books. This app is more than just a set of electronic books as each book has activities for the children to complete and a set of questions for them to answer after they have read the bo-

oks. The sets of books are great value at 6 euros for 24 books and activities in the stage 1-3 set. I would recommend stages 1-3 for pupils in Foundation Stage 2 and those beginning to read in year 1. Levels 4-6 can be purchased as

another pack and these are suitable for year 1 and year



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Class Assemblies

Our class assemblies will begin again soon. We value class assemblies because we feel they;

- Give parents a chance to share in their childrens learning
- Give students a chance to learn about what other classes are learning
- Give children a chance to speak to an audience.
- Show children that other members of the school community are interested in their learning.

If your child is in year 1,2 or 3 their class assembly will take place in the

salon de actos at 9am. If your child is in year 4,5 or 6 their class assembly will take place at 15.30 in the salon de actos.

Our **first** assemblies will be:

Miss Doran and Year 4.2 on Tuesday February 10th at 15.30

Mrs Collier and year 2.1- Monday 23rd February

Mr Porter and Year 3.2 on Wednesday 11th March at 9am

Mr Salinas and Year 5.2 on Wednesday 11th March at 15.30

Mrs Collier and year 2.1- Monday 23rd February

Dates for further assemblies will be confirmed via email and in your child's diary or communication card.

Coats

The British members of staff have felt very at home recently with the cold temperatures and the forecast for the next two weeks shows no real improvement in temperatures. I am insisting that on such cold days children wear coats on the patio. Please support us by making sure your children wear their coats to school each day and that these coats are labeled with their names.

Even on cold mornings we expect the children to play outside before school begins and coats, hats and gloves are essential.



Culture Box Project Update

We have exchanged our culture boxes between Warrington and Cordoba. Both boxes travelled 1,521 miles and have been extremely interesting to our school and Great Sankey in Warrington.

Both Year 6 and Year 7 attended the grand opening of the Great Sankey Culture Box and we were all amazed with the effort and quality of the contents. The box gave us a real sense of what it means to come from Warrington and to be English.

The contents of the box will be displayed in the entrance hall alongside explanations of the objects.

The students in Warrington commented that they really enjoyed the video starring some students from both year 6 and year 7 and explaining the history and culture of Cordoba.

This was such a worthwhile project and helped the children to better understand their roles as global citizens. We are already looking for a link school in another country for next year.



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GREAT SANKEY: WHAT is it to be British, and more importantly, what is it to be a Warringtonian? That was the question posed to students at Great Sankey High School during a cultural exchange project. The group of year seven students took part in the #Culturebox scheme, launched through Twitter before Christmas. Partnered with a school in Andalusia in southern Spain, the students in both schools exchanged a box that contains items from their culture.



Students at Great Sankey with our Culture Box.

Students at Great Sankey with their culture box before posting.

