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International Women's Day Celebrations

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This day is celebrated on the 8th of March to acknowledge the importance of women in society. This is emphasised through displaying and celebrating the achievements of women throughout the years. There are equal rights protests on this day all around the world and in the past, for example, in 1908, 15,000 women marched through New York City demanding better pay and voting rights.

Throughout Spain gatherings were held to demand support for the efforts of “essential workers,” the majority of whom were women. Locally in Santiago de Compostela, women stood in columns, clapping and singing at a protest in Obradoiro square.

The protests are also to create awareness for women that have suffered from abuse and/or discrimination. The theme for this year is the impact that girls and women had worldwide as healthcare workers, caregivers, innovators and community organisers during the Covid-19 pandemic. This day should be well celebrated because everyone has rights no matter what gender you are. No one is superior just because they are born a certain way, everyone deserves to be treated the same way. Nobody is inferior. We are all equal.



Student Life



SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

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Saint Patrick's Day Celebrations.

Saint Patrick's Day is a festival of Christian origin that is celebrated on March 17th every year. Saint Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland who died on March 17, which is why it was chosen on that specific day. It is a national holiday in the Republic of Ireland and it is celebrated together with the national day of the founding of the Republic, all of this, combined with the great Catholic presence on the island, makes for big celebrations. It is an annual festival that is also popularly celebrated worldwide due to the extensiveness of expatriate Irish communities in countries outside of Europe such as the United States, Australia, New Zealand and Canada. In addition to drinking and wearing green clothing, watching or participating in a parade is the perfect way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.



Saint Patrick's Day at Colegio Miraflores.

This year at Colegio Miraflores we are participating in various projects to do with the European Union under the Erasmus + programme. One of these projects was to set up an info point at the school where people can observe different things happening within the European community. An example of this is the students from 6th of primary decorated the info point in a Saint Patrick's Day theme, it had the Irish flag and cut outs of both four leaf clovers or shamrocks and leprechauns, it was very popular.



Featured Sport



FOOTBALL

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Football or Soccer is a team sport that is played between two teams of eleven players. In its current form it developed in England in the middle of the 19th century. But alternative versions of the game existed much earlier and are a part of football history. These earlier versions of the game can be traced back to ancient China, Greece, Rome and parts of Central America.

It is widely considered the most popular sport in the world, with some 270 million people practising and playing it. The most popular international competitions are: The World Cup, Eurocup, America's Cup, and it is also an Olympic Games sport.

The Spanish First Division, known as LaLiga Santander for sponsorship reasons, or the men's top professional football division is the highest men's category in the Spanish league system and the country's most popular club-level competition. The best football teams of LaLiga are Real Madrid, Barça and Atlético Madrid. Nico, Dani and Christians favourite team of course is Real Madrid.

Recently due to the Covid-19 situation the students of Colegio Miraflores have been unable to play football during playground recess. But fortunately the rules have changed and now the teaching staff have been able to provide the students with a ball to play with, as long as it is cleaned with disinfectant before and after being played with. This was a big surprise for the students of Colegio Miraflores and they were super excited to be able to play football again.





Spotlight Interview

TEACHER MARIA ROMERO

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1: When did you decide to become a teacher?

When I was a child, my Mum is a teacher and I think that runs in the family.

2: Where did you study teaching?

I studied teaching in A Coruña, at The University of A Coruña

3: Do you like being a teacher?

Yes, I enjoy it every day.

4: Do you have a favorite book?

Yes I do, it's called The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry.

5: Have you ever lived in another country?

Yes, I have lived in The United States and in Hungary.

6: Do you have any pets?

Yes I do, I have one cat; and, his name is Luke Skywalker.

7: Do you practice any sport?

I practise Yoga.

8: Do you like travelling to different countries?

Yes, but right now no because of the Covid 19 situation.

9: Do you play any instruments?

Yes, the Ukulele and it's my favourite.

10: How many languages can you speak?

I speak 6 languages Spanish, Galician, English, Portuguese, Italian and French.

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