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OMICRON VARIANT

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Omicron is the new Covid 19 variant which is sweeping across the country at a fast rate this month.

It is already 50% of all cases in the Community of Madrid alone.

There is also a warning of an increase in the number affected in the coming weeks throughout all of Spain's Autonomous Communities.

This is no surprise; medical professionals are saying due to the high capacity of this variant to infect.

Omicron multiplies around 70 times faster than Delta in the lung airways but evidence suggests it is less severe than previous strains, especially compared to Delta.

The symptoms of omicron are similar to the other covid 19 variants for example muscle pain, fatigue and headache, but the loss of taste and smell is not associated with this variant at this moment.

As with other variants, the World Health Organisation recommended that people continue to keep enclosed spaces well ventilated, avoid crowding and close contact, wear well-fitting masks, clean hands frequently, and get vaccinated.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION VIDEO

BY JOSÉ LUIS SENRA MOSQUERA, GONZALO SEGUÍN FERNÁNDEZ
HUGO FERREIRO GONZÁLEZ AND ÁLVARO GUZMÁN DOMÍNGUEZ.

As it is the month of Christmas all courses of Colegio Miraflores collaborated on a Christmas celebration themed video, called 'Festival de Navidad 2021' which parents and friends can enjoy on the school's YouTube page.

Here in the 6th Primary class we decided to do our own interpretation of Silent Night Rock n Roll version. It was a lot of fun we dressed up in our rock n roll clothes and Santa hats, played an assortment of instruments and danced in different locations around the school.

At the time we had some of our class mates isolated at home but that wasn't a problem because they also recorded themselves from their houses and we were able to involve them in the video also.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

This Year in celebration of the festive season, teachers and students decided to design and decorate the Primary and Secondary schools passage way with Christmas related decorations.

In particular we had an advent calendar tree, and a model creation of the Nativity Story both designed by Priest Emmanuel and his students from his religion classes.





MAROON 5

BY ZOE DO PARK, MARÍA FERNANDA CASTRO ANAYA,
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Maroon 5 is a famous Pop band from Los Angeles, California, who have been on the billboard music charts since the early 2000s. In 1994 the original members formed a band called Kara's Flowers while attending Brentwood Highschool.

Some years later in 2001 the band Maroon 5 was formed consisting of lead vocalist Adam Levine , guitarists James Valentine and Mickey Madden, Keyboardists PJ Morton and Jesse Carmichael, and finally drummer Matt Flynn.

Maroon 5's musical style has generally been considered pop, but it can also be described as pop rock, funk rock, dance-pop, blue-eyed soul, neo soul, and soft rock.

The band has won three Grammy Awards and thirteen nominations since then, they have released seven studio albums starting with their first in 2002 called Songs About Jane to their most recent in 2021 Called Jordi.

The three favourite and recognisable Maroon 5 songs from the students of Miraflores 6th of primary class are Sugar, Moves Like Jagger, and Girls Like You.



SPOTLIGHT INTERVIEW: HEADMISTRESS MARIA

BY DANITZA VARELA VIDAL, ADRIÀN OTERO SALGADO
PABLO GARCÍA RODRÍGUEZ AND BRAIS GALLEGOS CID

Where are you from?

- I am from Mexico City, Mexico.

Where and what did you study at university?

- I studied Pedagogy at Universidad Panamericana in Mexico and a Masters Degree in Research and Education at Tampere University in Finland, Donau Krems University in Austria and Beijing Normal University in China

How many countries have you lived in?

- Altogether I have lived in 7 different countries: Mexico, The United States, Austria, Finland, Belgium, China and Spain.

What is your favourite book?

- My favourite book is *Where Angels live*, by Claudia Celis.

Do you like being the Director of Colegio Miraflores?

- I absolutely love it, and it is because of the students such as yourselves.

What did you want to be when you were a child?

- I have always wanted to be a Teacher

What is your favourite movie?

- A Mexican movie called *El Estudiante* or *The Student* in English.

What types of food do you like cooking?

- I really enjoy cooking Italian and Mexican food.

Do you like teaching workshops in English?

- Yes I love teaching Workshops as I learn a lot from my students.

