



## **NEWSLETTER MAY 2017**

Please drive EXTRA carefully through the streets of Cabo Blanco

### **EVENTS TO END OF TERM AND BEYOND**

<b>Monday 1st May</b>	School closed - National Fiesta
<b>Thursday 4th May</b>	Year 9 Option Evening at 7.00 pm in the school hall - Year 9 parents and students all invited
<b>Monday 5th May</b>	Year 11, 12 and 13 study leave commences
<b>Monday 8th May</b>	Last date of giving notice to safeguard school deposit - parents need to advise the school if their child is leaving at the end of term
<b>Wednesday 24th May to Friday 2nd June</b>	Internal exams for Seniors
<b>Friday 19th May</b>	All Infants including Nursery Class to visit La Maresia - El Sauzal
<b>Friday 26th May</b>	Dia de Canarias - celebrations will take place in school - Primary children may come in Canarian costumes
<b>Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th May</b>	School closed - National Fiesta
<b>Monday 5th June to Friday 9th June</b>	Year 2 Assessment Week
<b>Monday 5th June</b>	New Year 3 parents meeting 9.15 am and new children to visit Reception class 9.15 am to 10.00 am
<b>Wednesday 7th June</b>	New children to visit Nursery class 9.15 am to 10.00 am – Group 1
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	New children to visit Nursery class 9.15 am to 10.00 am – Group 2
<b>Monday 12th June</b>	New Year 7 induction for students at 9.15 am
<b>Thursday 15th June</b>	Junior Sports Day 9.30 am onwards Cabo Blanco Football Pitch. Parents welcome - please bring protection against the sun.
<b>Friday 16th June</b>	Year 11 Leavers Assembly 11.15 am. Parents welcome - please advise the school office if attending
<b>Saturday 17th June</b>	Year 11 Prom night
<b>Tuesday 20th June</b>	Infant Sports Day in Senior playground 9.15 am to 10.30 am
<b>Wednesday 21st June</b>	Reports to Infant and Junior parents
<b>Friday 23rd June</b>	Year 13 Graduation ceremony 1.30 pm. Parents and teachers welcome - please advise the school office if attending Infant end of term assembly and party morning Infant and Junior Open day 1.15 pm to 4.15 pm. Children finish at 12.35 pm. All parents are very welcome to meet their child's teachers. Senior students finish at 12.35 pm - Senior teachers inset pm. Year 6 children Prom - 7.00 pm
<b>Saturday 24th June</b>	Year 13 Prom night
<b>Monday 26th June</b>	Junior Excursion
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Reports to Senior parents
<b>Thursday 29th June</b>	Junior end of term assembly - 11.30 am - school hall Year 6 parents invited - Seniors 2.30 pm school hall Junior Party Summer Holidays commence at 3.45 pm
<b>Thursday 10th August</b>	CIE results for IGCSE and A Level via internet - please advise the school office if you wish to receive the results via email
<b>Thursday 17th August</b>	Edexcel IAL & GCE results available - please advise the school office if you wish to receive results via email
<b>Thursday 24th August</b>	Edexcel IGCSE results available - please advise the school office if you wish to receive the results via email
<b>Friday 1st September</b>	Uniform shop is open from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm
<b>Monday 4th September to Wednesday 6th September</b>	Appointments for the uniform shop to be made via the school office
<b>Tuesday 5th September</b>	Wingate Sixth - enrolment from 10.00 am
<b>Thursday 7th September</b>	Autumn Term commences - school finishes at 12.00 pm for Nursery children, 12.30 pm for Reception children and 3.45 pm for Years 1 - 13 students
<b>Monday 2nd October</b>	School closed - Arona Fiesta
<b>Thursday 12th October</b>	School closed - National Fiesta
<b>Friday 27th October</b>	Open day 1.15 pm to 4.15 pm. Parents to meet teachers - children finish school at 12.35 pm for half term break.
<b>Monday 6th November</b>	Children return to school
<b>Wednesday 6th December</b>	School closed - National Fiesta
<b>Friday 8th December</b>	School closed - National Fiesta
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Carol Concert for parents and families starts 7.00 pm. School Hall.
<b>Thursday 21st December</b>	End of Autumn Term
<b>Monday 8th January</b>	Return for Spring Term

\* these dates provided have been agreed as of May 2017. However, the school cannot be held responsible for any

modifications that may need to be made when further information becomes available.

\* please note the term finishes on the 29th June. Please complete a Leave of Absence form should your child/ren need to finish before this date.

### **School Office Hours During the Summer Holiday**

The school office will be closed during the month of July. Should you need to contact the school please send an email to [theoffice@wingateschool.com](mailto:theoffice@wingateschool.com).

From the 1st of August to the 18th of August the school office will be open every Monday and Wednesday from 10.00 am until 1.00 pm except for results days when the office will be open from 9.00 am until 12.00 midday.

From the 21st of August to the 1st of September the school office will be open every day from 10.00 am until 3.00 pm.

### **Year 10 and Year 12 Students**

Parents of students in Years 10 are reminded that GCSE courses take 2 years. Lessons will continue throughout June. New material will be covered in June which will not be repeated in September. As AS and A Level exams continue to the end of June this year, it has been decided that Year 12 will be set project work in their subjects. Year 12 teachers will be available as normal.

### **Staff & School Changes**

This year we say good bye and thank you to 4 members of staff.

Ms Desnee Mason has been a stalwart of Wingate School for 17 years joining us in 2001. She has been instrumental in the development of hundreds of young people in that time. It was Ms Mason who formulated the phrase "The Wingate Way" which is now so integral in the continuing development of our school. As the Head of Key Stage 3 and the Senior Teacher, Ms Mason has had a huge impact on the organisation, care and discipline in those classes and indeed across the whole school. As she heads into retirement, we wish her much love and much luck and thank her for her long and loyal service to Wingate School.

Mr Steve Basford has been at Wingate 10 years, joining us in 2007. When he came to Wingate IT was a minor part of the teaching and learning. As he departs to return to the UK, ICT is at the forefront of education and organisation across the entire school. His legacy to Wingate is an IT system comparable with any school anywhere in the world and most of it fitted with his own hands. We sincerely wish Mr Basford and his family Godspeed, good luck and thank him for his dedication to our school.

Mrs Sue Dowling has been a Teaching Assistant for 9 years joining us in 2008. Forever smiling, her support in younger student classrooms will be sorely missed by both staff and students. As she is returning to UK we wish her and her family the best for the future and thank her for the loyal and dedicated service to Wingate School.

Mrs Emily Grandis, one of our Year 2 teachers is leaving us after 2 years to return to the UK. Her happy disposition will be missed in both the staff room and the Infant School. We thank her for her important contribution to life at Wingate and the Year 2 children. We wish her the very best of luck as she starts a new teaching role in a school near Bournemouth.

Mrs Metcalfe will be leaving the Junior Department and take up the post as Year 2 teacher along with Mrs Edwards.

### **School Fees for the School Year 2017/2018**

Nursery:	€1380.00	per term
Reception, Year 1 Year 2	€1330.00	per term
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	€1330.00	per term
Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11	€1540.00	per term
Standard Course	€1750.00	per term
Years 12/13 Full time	€ 2106.00	per term plus €75.00 Chemistry and Art per term

### **Uniform**

Please arrange an appointment via the school office before the end of the Summer Term for the uniform shop which will be open on Friday 1st of September and Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th of September from 09.00 to 13.00 hrs

The Junior girl's uniform will be changing as of September 2017 and will be on sale as of the beginning of June.

We would recommend parents purchasing the new uniform before the end of the Summer Term to avoid disappointment.

However, the academic year 2017/2018 will be a transition period and the students will be allowed to wear their original uniform during this time.

All items of clothing should be purchased from the school uniform shop. Substitutes are not acceptable. Items such as footwear which are not stocked in the uniform shop must adhere to the rules stated in the uniform policy - please see the school website. Please label ALL items of uniform with your child's name and preferably class. It is incredible how much is left in the lost property shop at the end of each year which is unnamed!

### **Additional Points**

Could all parents please make sure that the school has your correct address, telephone number and email address.

In this rapidly-changing world it becomes increasingly necessary to have a quick and reliable means of communication.

Please send your telephone number and address to [theoffice@wingateschool.com](mailto:theoffice@wingateschool.com).

### **Building Work**

Our school is moving into a new phase of expansion to accommodate the demand for places. The purchase of land to the North of the school will allow us to expand outward and building work should begin in June with a 3 storey building which will eventually become the school entrance. However, initially it will be used as extra classrooms.

Another big change is to the Nursery, which is being expanded to take 24 children. The accommodation, above Reception, will be turned into offices and both Nursery and Reception classrooms will undergo considerable structural change. This is going to start as soon as school finishes. The Infant children will have a revised school timetable for the last week of term due to the preparations for this building work – details to follow.