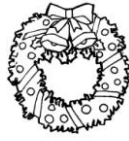




# Newsletter

Santo Tirso / Trofa / Riba d'Ave



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## DECEMBER

1 <sup>st</sup>	Sofia	B teens	T	16 <sup>th</sup>	Manuela	D teens	RA
1 <sup>st</sup>	Joana	B adults	T	17 <sup>th</sup>	Marta	D teens	ST
2 <sup>nd</sup>	John	A chn	ST	18 <sup>th</sup>	Pedro	B teens	T
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rita	A ch	ST	18 <sup>th</sup>	Guilherme	A ch	RA
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Joana	B adults	ST	20 <sup>th</sup>	Luis	F.C.E	ST
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Juliana	B adults	ST	20 <sup>th</sup>	Arminda	C adults	ST
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sara	C teens	T	20 <sup>th</sup>	Elsa	A adults	RA
3 <sup>rd</sup>	José	C teens	T	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Diana	C teens	T
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pedro	B adults	T	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Daniela	B teens	RA
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tania	F.C.E	T	23 <sup>rd</sup>	João	F.C.E	ST
4 <sup>th</sup>	Marta	C teens	ST	26 <sup>th</sup>	Diogo	Beg ch	RA
8 <sup>th</sup>	Carolina	D teens	ST	26 <sup>th</sup>	Luis	Beg ch	RA
9 <sup>th</sup>	Ana Rita	B teens	ST	27 <sup>th</sup>	Vasco	Beg ch	RA
10 <sup>th</sup>	Mario	B teens	ST	28 <sup>th</sup>	Bruna	C teens	ST
10 <sup>th</sup>	Isabel	B adults	ST	28 <sup>th</sup>	Manuel	B teens	ST
12 <sup>th</sup>	Mariana	C teens	ST	28 <sup>th</sup>	Fernando	F.C.E	RA
15 <sup>th</sup>	Nuno	B teens	ST	30 <sup>th</sup>	Maria	B teens	T
16 <sup>th</sup>	Ana Rita	B teens	T	31 <sup>st</sup>	José	B teens	RA



## Trip to London



London trip in the Easter Holidays.

Come with us to enjoy the magic of London ☺

For information, ask your teacher or at the front desk .

Friends, family and ex-students are welcome.

**HURRY AND BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!**

*Can you complete the titles of these Christmas songs?*

- \* Rudolph the .....
- \* Santa Claus is .....
- \* Rocking around .....
- \* Deck the .....
- \* I saw mummy .....
- \* Frosty the .....
- \* We wish you .....
- \* Let it .....
- \* Little drummer.....
- \* Oh come, all.....
- \* Joy to .....
- \* Jingle bell...
- \* The twelve ....

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### CHRISTMAS JOKES

- What did Adam say on the day before Christmas? - *It's Christmas, Eve!*
- What did the reindeer say when he saw an elf? - *Nothing, Reindeers don't talk!*
- Which elf was the best singer? - *ELFis Presley.*
- How would you scare a snowman? - *Get a hairdryer!*
- What do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus? - *Claustrophobic.*





# Student's Work



So do you think you know what martial arts are?  
Think again!

When people think about martial arts, they usually associate it to a violent sport, whose athletes are aggressive. Some might even imagine that they are almost unsociable people. So, when most of us are invited to start up martial arts, the answer is: Never in my life!

In fact, that was my reaction until I reached the decision of going to a lesson. I needed to practice a sport, I didn't know which one, but I knew I wanted something different from the usual. Then, I went to Alex Ryu Jitsu – Martial Arts.

When I arrived, I found a disciplined, respectful and self-confident group, who were able to help me. It's true, they do love to fight, but only when they are suppose to.

Little by little, competing started to be one of my main goals. That was the moment I understood how important this sport was. It simply started to grow on me. The incredible friends I made, the self-esteem I earned, what I have learnt, made me grow. Probably, it is what I enjoyed most about this experience: I grew up.

I definitely recommend it as a hobby. Sooner or later, it won't be just a hobby, it will be a life-style.  
(Catarina Varajão Borges – FCE – St Tirso)

## MY FAMILY

I live in a small apartment in Riba d'Ave with my dad, my mother and my brother.

In the morning I get up and I get dressed. Then I have breakfast and I go to school. It's my dad who takes us.

After school I have lunch and I study some school subjects. I watch TV, I play computer games and I do my homework.

Me and my family have dinner and after that I have a shower and I go to bed.

(Gonçalo Castro – A ch – Riba d'Ave)

## My family!

I live in a big house with my mum and my dad. I haven't got a brother or a sister but I have got a goldfish. Its name is Yellow. For me it is a brother.

In the morning my mum or my dad take me to school. At the school I talk with my friends.

After school I do my homework and watch TV.

My mother cooks dinner. She is a good cook.

I have dinner with my mother and my dad.

After dinner we watch TV and play games.

(Mariana Silva – A ch – Riba d'Ave)

Dear Stars,

I'm Cristiana Andrade, I'm fourteen years old, I'm going to tell you about my beautiful Planet Earth.

Here they are so many things to talk about, for example, I can talk about the cities, the fantastic landscapes, the rivers, monuments, the beaches, beautiful plants like roses or trees, or maybe I can talk about the evolution of technologies....

I really enjoy my free time searching in internet...there we can learn a lot of things about Earth, or about some other things, like planets. If we prefer we can also talk with our friends, even if they are on the other side of the world, it's amazing....

But there also are some bad things, like wars, catastrophes, cyclones or earthquakes.

I really like living on Earth, although I'd love to change these bad things.

I hope that the Earth will continue to evolve and become a more pleasant place to live day by day.

## My family

My family by Maria Isabel Araújo.

I live in a big farm with mum, dad, sister, brother and my grandparents.

My sister is a good artist. She plays computer games.

Ann has got a lot of friends. She usually goes out until late but she doesn't tidy her room.

My mum is working in a school and my dad is a farmer. They go to work very early. Grandma makes lunch and Grandad watches TV. In the evening, my mum cooks dinner for us. She's a great cook! After dinner, I watch TV or do my homework. And so is my family!!!

(A ch - St Tirso)



My family usually goes to Marrocos (Saidia) on holiday.

In the morning there is water gymnastics, beach, swimming-pool and a seaside stroll.

We have lunch and then play on the computer with my cousins.

In the evening we go to the swimming-pool and play games with my friends.

After dinner there is a show and we talk to my friends.

And then we go to sleep.

(Beatriz Almeida - A ch - ST Tirso)



(Cristiana – B teens – St Tirso)

The advantages and disadvantages of changing schools  
Many young people have to change schools. So does changing schools have a good or bad effect on young people?  
On the one hand, I think changing schools can be very frightening. Even though you may change to a nicer school, it can take a long time to get used to a new school. Also, if you move a long way away, you may have to start a new life and make new friends.  
On the other hand, I think changing schools can be positive. You can make new friends, learn new traditions, but keep in touch with the old friends.  
In conclusion, although I realize that there are both advantages and disadvantages, in my opinion I think that changing schools can be an amazing experience and a lot of good things can happen. (Beatriz – C teens – St Tirso)

### The impossible quest

Once upon a time, in a land far away called dragon Land, There was a queen, her daughter, called Rapunzel, a man, and his son called Mario. Rapunzel and Mario were in love, but the queen didn't like the idea, so he said that Mario's father had to do two things. The first was to catch a striped blue fish and to get an apple from dragon's garden. So he started his trip to the secret river in the middle of the two mountains. He went to the mountains but he got lost because those mountains were a labyrinth but he found the way to the river. He jumped to the river and he grabbed the fish then he went to the garden and there was a guard dragon. But the dragon love fish so he threw the fish to the middle of his legs, but when he was getting down he ran and grabbed the fish. He went under his legs and grabbed an apple. He got to the palace and gave the fish and the apple to the queen so Mario and Rapunzel get married and they lived happy forever.

(João Pedro / Henrique Ribeiro – B ch – St Tirso)

### FIVE MOONS

Penny and her friends wanted to dance so they decided to create a dance group. They just have to decide what kind of music they prefer.

Penny said: "Let's dance hip hop music!" meanwhile Maria and her friends said: "Let's dance pop music!"

Penny and the other members of the group agreed but Penny had a great idea, give a name to the group. They start thinking and how they were five, they decided to be called "Five moons".

Next day, they join together in the city park! Penny took a radio with her favourite songs and they started practising because they have to dance in public on the end of the classes.

The moment arrive and they were all nervous because they trained a lot and they were afraid to do a bad job.

But all went good and the audience enjoyed the show a lot! Penny and her friends continue dancing and performing in all the shows they can!

(Marcelo / Maria / Diogo N – B teens – Trofa)

### Diogo Machado

Diogo Machado is one of my best friends. He has brown eyes, brown and short hair. He lives in Ribeirão, like me. Diogo likes to play football very much. He plays in Dragon Force football school. He is forward. Usually he is the best striker of his team.

Sometimes he comes to my house and we play playstation and football. Our favourite games for PS3 are "Uncharted 3" and "FIFA 13".

We study at "Colégio da Trofa". We are in the same class.

I know Diogo since I was five years old. We study together since that time.

(Guilherme Garcia – B ch - Trofa)



### My Future

In the schools, the teachers will be robots and the school bus will be such as rockets and when we get ill we will see the class on the TV. There won't be meetings for the parents to say how we are at school on marks. We will live in the moon and transports will be rockets and planes only. The houses will rotate and they will transform in carousels. If we don't want to get out of home we say the destiny to a machine and the house will take us there.

In our free time we will choose what is on the TV and we will have a portable TV. The beds will be on the ceiling. All the people will have curly long hair. People won't have grey hair and the hair won't fall. Apple, the company, will be a country and will border with Facebook, Tumblr and Twitter. They will be countries, too: I will share the home with Miley Cyrus and Selena Gomez and our house will be a mansion with a pool and a tennis court and a room to do ballet. The celebrities will be all my friends.

It will be amazing!

This is my future! But it can change... just a little bit!

(Gui – B ch – St Tirso)

### Coldplay

My favorite band is Coldplay. I've liked them since I was born! Let me tell you why I like Coldplay.

To start with, their type of music. Their songs are brilliant and the singer's voice is great. They haven't got any bad songs.

Secondly, the instruments are the perfect option: the guitar, the drums, the piano... The drums are my favorite instrument.

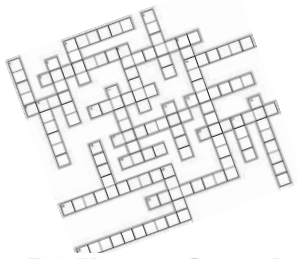
Thirdly, the words in the song tell us things about their life.

Finally, the video clips are always awesome, cool and very funny. ☺

My favorite songs are: "Every Teardrop Is a Waterfall", "Yellow", "Fix You", "Paradise", "In My Place", "Lost", "The Hardest Part" ...

I am not the only person who likes Coldplay, they are famous all over the world and my father likes them too. He has got all their songs in Cds! Although he likes Coldplay, he prefers Jack Johnson, another good singer.

Coldplay are the best! I have all the songs in my Cd player. Nobody likes Coldplay as much as I do. (Ana – B teens – St. Tirso)

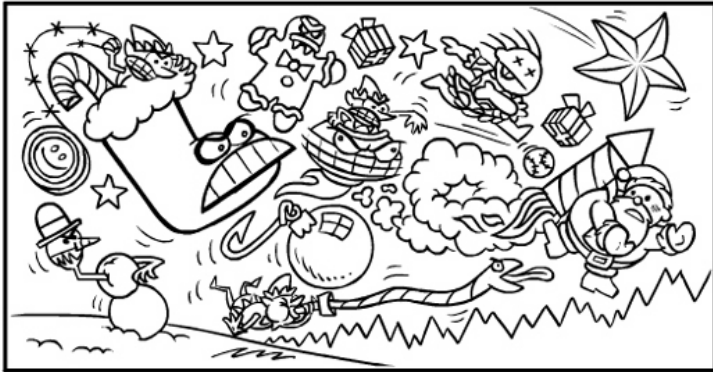


# Puzzle Page



## What's the Difference?

Find the seven differences between the two holiday pictures below.



## Santa Claus Word Search

Find the hidden words pertaining to Santa Claus.

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A	F	C	V	L	N	A	U	G	H	T	Y	D	Q	N	B	BEARD
R	G	H	Y	L	R	P	B	T	X	L	V	I	P	T	W	BLITZEN
E	N	I	D	S	B	E	E	Z	E	Q	F	P	S	O	O	CHIMNEY
C	O	M	Z	T	L	M	D	L	H	G	S	U	O	Y	R	CHRISTMASEVE
N	R	N	B	L	O	N	F	S	N	O	A	C	Q	S	K	COMET
A	T	E	S	C	Z	X	E	I	U	L	H	R	Y	D	S	CUPID
R	H	Y	F	R	I	N	K	Z	C	I	E	O	K	F	H	DANCER
P	P	J	Z	X	E	C	L	A	T	H	T	Y	H	L	O	DASHER
Y	O	W	I	A	O	C	T	I	S	I	H	V	B	O	P	DONDER
K	L	Z	E	T	N	N	N	A	S	V	L	B	O	D	D	ELF
K	E	C	S	F	A	M	D	A	N	T	C	B	X	U	O	HOHOHO
X	I	Y	L	S	T	O	R	I	D	R	A	E	B	R	N	JOLLY
N	E	L	C	H	R	I	S	T	M	A	S	E	V	E	D	KRISKRINGLE
X	D	L	F	L	R	Z	S	T	N	E	S	E	R	P	E	LIST
Q	P	O	Q	E	R	E	I	N	D	E	E	R	Q	S	R	NAUGHTY
P	F	J	N	C	R	G	Q	S	L	E	I	G	H	N	M	NICE

## Winter Word Search

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H Y SNOW BOARDING GLOVES U D  
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 N R P S L E D D I N G O N B  
 Y N Z I C W C C X S L I  
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| Boots       | Ice Skating | Snow Ball Fight |
| Coat        | Mittens     | Snow Flake      |
| Freezing    | Scarf       | Snowboarding    |
| Gloves      | Skiing      | Snowman         |
| Hat         | Sledding    | Toboggan        |
| Ice         | Snow        | Winter          |
| Ice Fishing | Snow Ball   |                 |

## Find the Presents Maze!

Help the kids & puppy find the Christmas gift of their dreams!

