



# Newsletter

Santo Tirso / Trofa / Riba d'Ave

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1 <sup>st</sup>	Maria João	Beg ch	RA
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4 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara	C teens	RA
6 <sup>th</sup>	Beatriz	Aa	ST
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12 <sup>th</sup>	Rita	C teens	ST
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13 <sup>th</sup>	Teresa	F.C.E	ST
15 <sup>th</sup>	Margarida	Beg ch	ST
16 <sup>th</sup>	Maria	B ch	ST
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20 <sup>th</sup>	Rita	F.C.E	T
21 <sup>st</sup>	Mariana	A ch	T
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Francisca	C teens	ST
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Diana	Aa	ST
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24 <sup>th</sup>	Manuel	F.C.E	T
25 <sup>th</sup>	Bruno	A ch	ST
25 <sup>th</sup>	Pedro	C.A.E	T
27 <sup>th</sup>	Bruna	Beg ch	ST
27 <sup>th</sup>	Hugo	F.C.E	ST
27 <sup>th</sup>	Renato	F.C.E	ST
28 <sup>th</sup>	Duarte	A ch	ST
30 <sup>th</sup>	Ana Maria	C teens	ST
30 <sup>th</sup>	Patricia	C adults	ST
31 <sup>st</sup>	João	B ch	T
31 <sup>st</sup>	Barbara	C teens	ST

(SORRY – February 12<sup>th</sup> Guilherme Beg ch T)



## Easter



Can you believe that it is almost Easter? You know that this means two things. First, it means you will have tests at the Institute. The week of 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> March is test week, so start your studying (or rather, continue studying – because all the students at the Institute are very dedicated and don't do last minute studying, right??). It also means HOLIDAYS! That's what you are all looking forward to, isn't it? Especially the students who are going on the trip to London. To those students, we want to wish you a fantastic trip. We know you will love it and you will have a great time with teachers Alex and Ana Bela, as well as your friends. ENJOY ☺

For all the other students, we hope you also have a great holiday, relax and prepare for the last term of school. As you have already seen, time flies, and before we know it, the summer holidays are here again. Eat chocolates, but not too many, or the English tradition, Hot Cross Buns.

**CHECK OUT the Institute's site on internet:**

<http://www.institutodelinguas.pt/>

### *Here is a bit of Easter humour*

Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg a joke? (*Because it might crack up.*)

How does Easter end? (*with the letter R*)

Why is the rabbit the luckiest animal in the world?

(*because it has 4 rabbit's feet*)

What do rabbits have that no other animal in the world has? (*baby rabbits*)

How do bunnies stay healthy? (*eggercise*)





# Student's Work



## HALLOWEEN PARTY

Come to our Halloween party.  
 Every year we have a parade of people with terrible masks and terrible costumes.  
 Don't miss the party.  
 Halloween is very popular.  
 You can also come to this party with your friends and parents.  
 Its lasts a day.  
 Don't forget to come with your masks.

(Fernando Maia – A chn – Trofa)

## MY HOUSE

I live in a house. It's got three bedrooms, three bathrooms, a kitchen, a living room, a garage, a hall and a garden.  
 In my bedroom, there's a bed, a desk, a chair, a window and a shelf.  
 In the living room, there's a sofa, a little table, a wii, a playstation, TV and there are two windows.  
 In my garden, there are trees and flowers.

This is my house and I like it.

(Mariana Neto – A chn – Trofa)

Dear Leote,  
 Today I'm London with my family.  
 London is great! There's a zoo here. It's very big and has lots of animals.  
 My favorite animals are the lion and zebras.  
 The with and black zebras are amazing!  
 They are herbivorous – they've got lots of teeth!  
 My other favorite animal is the lion. The lions live in Africa.  
 I wish I had a lion as a pet. They've got a long tail and big teeth. They are dangerous.  
 They are very funny but I think they're great!  
 Have you got a pet? Write soon!  
 Best wishes,

(João Pedro Pimenta - Beg ch – Trofa)

Hello!  
 My name is Ana Rita.  
 I'm eight years old.  
 I'm a student.  
 I live in Santo Tirso.  
 I have got a sister.  
 Her name is Sobia.  
 She is eleven years old.  
 I have got three cats.  
 They are ~~cuty~~ cuty, Kusky and Gefatuno.  
 I have got long, straight, brown hair.  
 I have got brown eyes.  
 I like sport, art and English.  
 I am a happy girl.



(Ana Rita Fragoso – Aa – St Tirso)

## Tower of Clerics ( Torre dos Clérigos)



Today, I'm going to talk about an interesting "old" place in my city. This is "Tower of Clerics" and this is one of the most beautiful places in Porto.  
 It was constructed between 1754 and 1763, from a project of an Italian painter and architect called Nicolau Nasoni. It's one of the most significant representations of the baroque style and is one of the most impressive works of Nasoni. Some experts say Nasoni worked hard on this project without receiving anything in return!  
 It has six floors, 75 meters high and 240 steps. At the time of the construction it was the tallest building in Portugal. It has also one of the best views of the city!

(Pedro Campos – B teens – Trofa)

What are the advantages and disadvantages of playing computer games?

Playing computer games is good because it can be fun. You can play with your friends and you can learn things from them.

But it is obvious that playing computer games can have disadvantages. When you have a test, you are so focussed on playing computer that you can't study. It can become addictive and you can't let it go.

So, in my opinion, playing computer games must be for a short space of time and it must be a controlled hobby and not an addiction.

(Rita Pereira - C Teens - St Tirso)

## Mobile phone generation

In twenty years everyone will have a mobile phone: young people, middle-aged and even old people. But like many things there are advantages and disadvantages.

There are a lot of advantages in my case. I'm used to having my phone close to me because I use it a lot. Every morning I wake up with it to the sound of jungle. A few hours later I send a text message to my husband to ask if he got to his job well because the road that he takes is very dangerous and I'm very worried about him. In my office there isn't a radio. Because of that I listen to music on my phone. During the workday, I usually need to take some photos, so I use my phone because it has a good camera and I save time. I don't need to go to the computer department and ask for their help. In the afternoon or at the weekend, if i'm going to a place and I don't know the road, I use the GPS system. It is very practical and I don't get lost.

I have a computer in my house, but it is easier to go to the internet on the mobile phone. We just need to turn on the button and there we are, on the net. The computer is slower. I don't remember using mine!

When I have birthdays, visit a doctor, have a special dinner or meeting, I put a warning on my phone. When I go to a doctor and need to wait for him or when I wait for my mum in the car, I play games in my phone. Myhjong is my favourite game.

At Christmas or someone's birthday a few years ago, we used to write a letter or a postcard or visit. In the mobile phone generation we just use the text messenger that some phones bring with them. Things became impersonal. These, for me, are the disadvantages to having a phone.

In our days, it is very difficult to live without a phone, but it is possible, even though there are advantages and disadvantages. We can do a lot of things with it!!

*(Arminda Novais - C Adults - St Tirso)*

## EXPOTROFA

Come to ExpoTrofa.

Every year in summer there is a big party inTrofa. It lasts for two weeks.

In the month of July, Trofa is always fun and amazing.

Don't miss the ExpoTrofa, it's very big and it's very popular here.

Every year the place changes.

You can also see all the information on the Trofa website.

*(Ana Claudia Costa - A ch - Trofa)*

## My school day

I go to school in Riba de Ave.

First my father or my mother drives me to school and I meet my friends until a quarter past eight.

Then I have lessons and after that at quarter past one I have lunch at the school canteen with my friends.

I sometimes have lessons in the afternoon but I usually go back home at a quarter to two.

Then, at my house I do my homework and watch TV. I have dinner with my parents and finally I go to bed.

*(Mariana Silva - A ch - Riba D'Ave)*

Hello! My school day starts early! I get up at twenty past seven and I go to school at a quarter to eight. I go by car with my dad and my father.

First, when I arrive, I talk and play with my friends. I have lessons in the morning and sometimes in the afternoon. My favourite subjects are English and Maths. I love them! We start lessons at eight o'clock, and after that I have lunch at home.

Then I do my homework and I study some school subjects.

At half past four I have a snack. In my free time I play computer games and I watch TV.

I have dinner at eight o'clock. Finally, I go to bed at half past ten. *(Gonçalo Castro - A ch Riba D'Ave)*

It's clear that texting has become much more important to young people than it was ten years ago. As we walk down the street, almost everyone is staring at their phones and typing, and it is becoming more often everyday.

Texting has some advantages, such as the low cost, unlike phone calls. It is also very good for those who cannot remember everything, because texts are stored on the phone and plans can be easily confirmed.

On the other hand, texting has some disadvantages too. It is very addictive and with the more habitual use of texting, people talk less and communication is becoming a lost habit.

Since we can't show our expressions while texting, sarcasm is often misunderstood and other people's feelings get hurt.

Personally, although I prefer talking directly to people, I believe texting is a very good thing because it is quicker. *(Diana Costa - C teens - Trofa)*

Nowadays playing computer games is one of the favourite hobbies of a lot of children, they have a big role in the children up-bringing.

In my opinion playing computer games has advantages and disadvantages.

One of the advantages is children can learn a lot with educative games or play in virtual games in which they can build their own city and learn how to take care of a house or farm.

But there are a lot of disadvantages which can be prejudicial. The majority of the games are very violent and can make its players violent and rude. Sometimes these games use rude expressions and provocative symbols.

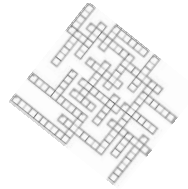
Children can become addicted to playing computer games too.

In conclusion I think this free time activity has many advantages but there are many bad points too. They can modify children's life in a bad way.

*(Vasco - Cteens - Trofa)*



# Puzzle Page



El español o castellano es una lengua muy hablada en todo el mundo. Existen 400 millones de hispanohablantes, entre los cuales 35 millones en Estados Unidos. En total se habla español como lengua oficial en 21 países en el mundo: España (Europa), Guinea Ecuatorial (África), México, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panamá, Puerto Rico, República Dominicana, Cuba, Bolivia, Ecuador, Venezuela, Colombia, Perú, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay y Argentina (19 países de Latinoamérica). Localiza 10 de esos países en la sopa de letras.



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## FATHER'S DAY WORD SEARCH

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| CARING      | HELPER   | PRESENT  |
| CUDDLE      | HUG      | READ     |
| DADDY       | JOB      | REST     |
| FATHER      | JUNE     | REWARD   |
| FATHERS DAY | KISS     | SURPRISE |
| FRIEND      | LISTENER | TEACHER  |
| GARDENER    | MAN      | TIE      |
| GENEROUS    | PAPA     | WORKER   |

Can you help the chick get to the bonnet?

