

#### Santo Tirso / Trofa / Riba d'Ave

No. 5 - February 2014

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY **February**

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$23^{rd}$	Isabel	B ch	ST			
$23^{rd}$	Joana	D teens	ST			
$24^{th}$	Raquel	Beg ch	RA			
$25^{th}$	Jose	B adults	T			
26 <sup>th</sup>	Daniel	B teens	T			
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## Hí everyone,

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#### Here are some funny and silly facts about animals!

- Snakes do not have eyelids.
- Cats have 23 muscles in each ear.
- Cows give more milk when listening to music.
- Adult bears can run as fast as horses.
- Crocodiles cannot stick their tongues out.
- Dolphins sleep with one eye open.
- Emus cannot walk backwards.
- Tigers have striped skin and striped fur.
- Chameleon's tongues are as long as their bodies.
- Goldfish have a memory span of 3 months.
- Porcupines float in water.
- Tarantulas can live up to two years without food.

#### And now some facts about HUMANS

- Children grow faster in the Spring than other seasons.
- Every second, 15 million blood cells are destroyed in the human body.
  - The human body has over 40 miles of nerves.
- Every human's tongue prints are as unique as fingerprints.
  - 8% of humans have an extra rib.
- Right-handed people live, on an average, nine years longer than left-handed people.
- During a 24-hour period, the average human will breathe around 23,040 times.
- A woman's heart beats much faster than a man's.
- Unlike other organs, a person's nose and ears continue to grow throughout life.
- The average cough comes out of your mouth at 96.5 km per hour, while a sneeze can travel INTERESTING FACTS, RIGHT??? as fast as 160 km per hour.



Famalicão News - 2025

Many cute and interesting things happened this week in our town, Famalicão.

In the city park, "Parque da Devesa", the well known and famous pop singer Rihanna sang in the outdoor amphitheatre and about 15 thousand people attended this concert.

The American singer Lady Gaga announced two days before she would give a concert in the "Casa das Artes" in Famalicão and in less than two hours the tickets sold out!

This week the firtst flying house in our country "Voateca" was inaugurated. Its inauguration was attended by well-known and influential people at international level. The feedback about the house has been very positive. Starting this week, you can take a rail trip which includes a visit to the underground city and make a circuit of 5 minutes in a limousine.

And these are the main changes that have happened in Famalicão and this is why I love my city!

(João Paredes - B Teens, St tirso)

#### I went on a talent contest!

Have you ever been on a talent contest? I have. I went on X Factor, and it was the best experience of my life. My family were very happy when I told them that I was going to the X Factor. I arrived at the studio 1 hour before the show and I met the other contestants.

We started recording the programme at night. I was the fifth of the competitors so I didn't have to wait too long for my turn. When they called me I felt very nervous. I could hear my heart beating fast. I went to the stage and I sang "Wrecking Ball" by Miley Cyrus. It was faster than I expected. Then I listened to the dges talking about my performance. They loved it! At the end, they made the counting of the votes and I was third! Although I didn't win, I had a fantastic time and I made new friends.

(Ana Inês Barros - C Teens, St Tirso)

#### Hi, Simon

One of the sports that are more popular here in Portugal, is football. I like to see the players in action in the stadium and on the TV, but I don't like to play this game. The most famous footballer in Portugal and one of the best players in the world is Cristiano Ronaldo.

There are many football teams in Portugal. The best teams in my country are FC Porto, Sporting, Benfica and Braga. I am from Santo Tirso, and the team that represents my city is Tirsense, but unfortunately it isn't one of the best. I am a big fan of FC Porto and for me it is the best team ever. FC Porto is the BEST!!!

There are others important football players from my country, like Eusébio, Futre, Figo, Moutinho, Nany ...

In Portugal there are football for girls too! Sometimes I play football with the boys in my school, at physical education, but they don't like to play with the girls, because they say that we don't know how to play it.

Football is a cool game.

Bye Simon.

Kisses and hugs from your friend Sofia Furtado. (Sofia Furtado – A ch – St. Tirso)

#### Who am I?

My name is Nuno. I'm nine years old. I'm from Portugal. My favourite food is pizza. My birthday is August the fifth. My favourite colour is blue. My favourite number is ten. My favourite day of the week is Sunday. My favourite month is August. My interests are computers and films. My favourite band is One Direction. My hair is short and brown. My eyes are brown. I have two sisters: Sara and Rita. I stand up at eight o'clock. My best friend is Tiago. My mobile phone number is \*\*\*\*\*\*\*. I like Barcelona football team.

 $(Nuno\ Lopes - Beg\ ch - Trofa)$ 

Hi. My name is Diogo.I'm 10 years old. I am from Trofa in Portugal.

My Birthday is 6 th August. My best freind is Tomás. He is 10 and he is im my class.

My interests are animals, music, sport and computer. My favourite football team is Porto.

My favourite thing are my books, my pet cat and...my mobile phone.

(Diogo - Beg ch - Trofa)

Well, reality shows aren't so bad. Sometimes it.... OK. Reality shows are horrible but it's not the contestants fault. And the program type isn't so bad,

What really annoys me are the producers because they have thousands of people they can choose and the chosen ones are always stupid people. Can't they choose some normal people?

I think that reality shows are losing a lot because nowadays people support smart contestants and not some guys who don't have any money left and want to be famous.

FAME! Another thing I can't understand! Just because they show their personal life and share their secrets they are considered famous? And receive lots of money every night? NO WAY!

At this moment I only can agree with the sentence: "Reality shows are horrible and should not be shown on television."

(João Neto – D teens – Trofa)

Weather, a cause of bad problems How would you feel if you were living in a place where you are always afraid of getting hit by a hailstorm?

Do you think I'm kidding? Here the weather is terrible and causes lots of problems like landslides that sometimes stop the regular traffic and destroy homes. Hurricanes that knock trees down and make electricity pylons fall, and this can cause damage and human losses. Sometimes it rains a lot and everything gets flooded.

Three years ago a terrible storm struck our region. It rained hard and the wind reached the speed of 200 km/hour. It was catastrophic. Some homes were roofless and the entire city was without electricity. It took a week so that everything could go back to normal. It was the worst experience of my life.

My country may have extremely bad weather conditions, but I enjoy living here and I wouldn't change it for anything in the world.

(Vasco Baurle – D teens – Trofa)

I played Fifa 13, it is a football game in wich we can Play with teams from all over the world, from all continents and we can also Play with national teams. Thanks to it graphics I think it is safe to say that Fifa 13 is one of the best games.

Fifa 13 is a football videogame in wich the goal is to defeat the opposing team. In my opinion coments and graphics are the most attractive characteristic because they offer the game a realistic perspective that we're seeing the game live in stadium. On the other side I think that the difficulty and complexity of controls can sometimes turn it into a boring game because it isn't simple enough. People need to spend too much time to play it nicely.

Secondly, Fifa 13 is a game that is adequate for not only adults but also for children, because it's a bout football. Many people love it because it is the most played sport in the world so it has a lot of fans.

To sum up, Fifa 13 is a great game for every age with wich we can get together with friends and people we like to spend some time and to have some fun. Thanks to its wonderfull graphics the game looks just like real life but on the other hand it can be complicated to learn how to play fast.

 $(Pedro\ Rocha - C.A.E - Trofa)$ 

#### Super Mario Bros

Super Mario Brother is just a simple video game where you jump, run, collect coins and smash enemies, but behind this brief definition there is one of the most entertaining video games ever, not talking about the fact that is the most sold game ever, in the world.

A lot of versions of the game have been made since the first original one launched in 1985, but they all have the same story: two plumbers (Mario and Luigi) that travel around the mushroom kingdom in a quest to save the Princess Peach, who is aprisioned by the mayor villan, Browser.

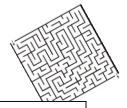
Even though there are plenty of similar games, where you have to complete a certain circuit by jumping on platforms and avoiding enemies, Super Mario has always been the best, probably because of its simplicity combined with the creativity and originality that the producers put into the game. Even when we talk about the graphic image. Mario's is excellent, obviously much better now than the true when it was first created but even then they were the best that existed.

In conclusion, I don't have a specific reason for this game being better than the others of its kind, but it simply is. I would recommend everyone to try it. However, it is probable that you already have, and you are wrong if you think it's just for kids.

(André Couto – C.A.E – Trofa)



# Puzzle Page



Last month's riddle: Neither is correct. Yolks are yellow.

WHAT BUILDING HAS THE MOST STORIES?

### VALENTINE'S DAY WORDSEARCH



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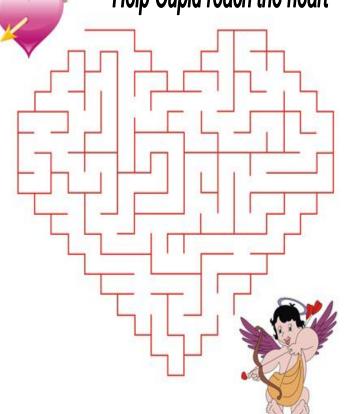


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