

Sunny View School

Since 1971



Mission Statement

Sunny View School provides quality teaching and learning following the British approach to education. We place a strong emphasis on the academic success of our students and we aim to equip them with the skills and knowledge they will need to succeed in an ever-changing world. We seek to develop creative, imaginative and enquiring minds within a caring, safe, healthy, multicultural environment.

At Sunny View School, we value our students' individuality by building on their interests and strengths. During their time with us, we want our students to enjoy learning, and we hope their desire to learn will continue throughout the rest of their lives.



Welcome to Sunny View School



Sunny View School is the leading British school on the Costa del Sol. Established by the Pettis family in 1971, we welcome students of all nationalities from 2 to 18 years of age. Our programmes of study are based on the National Curriculum for England and taught by a dynamic team of qualified, experienced and inspiring teaching staff.

We aim to provide the best of British education to our students, with a strong emphasis on academic success. Through the school ethos, lessons and activities, our students learn for life. We encourage them to develop habits of curiosity, initiative, rigour, and independence of thought.

Our School

Sunny View School was the first school on the Costa del Sol to be unconditionally approved by the National Association of British Schools in Spain (NABSS). We are fully authorised by the Spanish Ministry of Education and undergo regular inspections which can be viewed on our website.

The school is located just outside Torremolinos, Málaga, on a spacious site which boasts fantastic views of the surrounding area. We have dedicated buildings for Preschool, Primary, Secondary and Sixth Form, as well as shared facilities including two libraries, a school hall and various playgrounds.

Our sports facilities include a basketball and a volleyball court, a sports pitch, a gymnasium and swimming pool.

We pride ourselves on the special atmosphere in our school, with a particular emphasis placed on courtesy, caring and self-discipline following our school rules: ready, respectful and responsible. The success of the school is evidenced by the examination results our students attain which are consistently well above the UK national average.

All Sunny View School policies can be viewed on our website: **www.sunnyviewschool.com**







Preschool

At Sunny View Preschool, we provide the highest standards of education and care for children aged between 2 and 5 years. We believe that a safe, nurturing, and fun environment is crucial to happy and healthy development. Our Preschool building is purpose-built for young children and thoughtfully designed both inside and out to consider their learning needs at the varying stages of development. Preschool follows the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) play-based curriculum, where an emphasis is placed on the child as an active learner who plays a central role in the construction of their own knowledge, skills and understanding.

The final year of Preschool, Reception, for children aged 4 to 5, marks the beginning of more formal learning. By this stage, the children have developed many skills and characteristics necessary to be effective, independent learners.











Primary

In Primary, children are encouraged to approach the world with curiosity and creativity, to express their views and feelings, and to develop a real enjoyment of learning.

We aim for our students to achieve the highest academic standards, while we also strive to create an environment where children's strengths are allowed to flourish. We follow the National Curriculum for England in Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) and Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6). There is a strong emphasis on English and Mathematics. However, the curriculum is a broad one. We plan cross-curricular topics in each year group with an emphasis on enquiry-based learning.

We organise class trips and visits to local museums and places of interest as we believe this enriches the curriculum. Opportunities for learning about the world are provided by activities such as raising money for charity, being part of a performance or listening to a visiting speaker.







Secondary

Sunny View Secondary provides a full British education following the National Curriculum for England through Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 and 9), Key Stage 4 (Years 10 and 11) and Key Stage 5 (Years 12 and 13).

Key Stage 3 students, aged 11 to 14 years (Years 7 to 9), experience a wide range of subjects including English, Mathematics, Geography, History, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, French or German, Spanish, Art, Drama, Music, Computer Science, PSHE, Physical Education, Lengua Castellana y Literatura and Geografía e Historia. All students are supported by a form teacher who monitors their progress and wellbeing.

Key Stage 4, for students from 14 to 16 years (Years 10 and 11), is the last stage in compulsory education. Students are prepared for IGCSE examinations with Pearson Edexcel, including both compulsory and optional subjects. In addition, we meet the requirements of the Spanish Curriculum (Lengua and Geografía e Historia) so that students are able to gain both British and Spanish qualifications.

Key Stage 5 is for students studying a minimum of three International Advanced Level subjects in Years 12 and 13. This is a rigorous programme of study, globally recognised as an excellent means of entry to universities worldwide. Our Universities and Careers Advisor guides our Sixth Form students throughout their application processes to universities across the world, as well as those wishing to remain in Spain.













Sixth Form Centre

Our Sixth Form Centre was specifically designed for our older students. The centre boasts quiet study areas, as well as recreational areas, including an outdoor pool, seating areas and table tennis.



Spanish Curriculum

At Sunny View School, we are aware of the importance of the development of the Spanish language to a high academic standard in order to prepare students who choose to study, live and work in Spain.

In Years 1 to 11, all students have Spanish Language and Literature lessons, 'Lengua Castellana y Literatura'. In addition the Primary students study, Social Sciences, 'Ciences Sociales' and Secondary students study Geography and History in Spanish, 'Geografía e Historia'.

Our Spanish teachers are trained to deliver lessons in fun and engaging ways, including project-based learning. Our aim, whatever the students´ native language, is to equip all children with the skills they need to function in a multilingual society.

English Language Support

Our English Language Support (ELS) teachers help students whose level of English may make it harder for them to access the curriculum.

Depending on students' individual needs, classes may be one-to-one or in small groups.





Technology

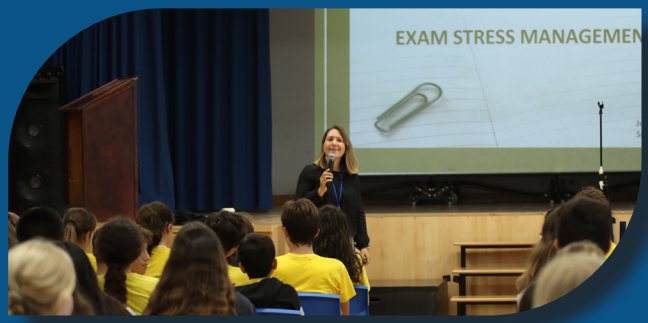
Technology is embedded into teaching and learning across the whole school, from programmable robots in Preschool, to the teaching of coding in Primary and Secondary. Students from the age of Primary are taught to use Microsoft applications such as Teams, to support their learning. We make technology accessible to all students and provide our Secondary students with laptops complete with carefully selected educational software.

Lessons are brought to life with our Promethean Smartboards, which are installed in all classrooms and laboratories throughout the school. A continuous professional development programme is in place for our teachers to ensure they remain up to date with new technology.

We are committed to continuously upgrading our technology to ensure students are well-prepared for the future. Our IT subjects support development of digital skills, such as coding and data analysis, which are increasingly important in today's digital world.

Wellbeing

Ensuring our students feel safe, valued, and respected is paramount to us. Our whole-school approach to wellbeing encompasses pastoral care in all stages of the school, a school counsellor and a dedicated safeguarding team.





Enrichment

Our Enrichment Programme offers comprehensive support to Key Stage 5 students as they define their post-A Level pathways, including guidance in university application processes throughout the world. We also encourage students to participate in a range of activities including in-school volunteering opportunities, debating, charity initiatives and organisation of school events.

Additional Learning Support

Our learning and support policy, which can be viewed on our website, sets out our approach to ensuring children receive the help they need depending on their additional support needs.





Educational Trips

Sunny View School offers a full range of exciting trips for all age groups, from visits to farms in Preschool to international destinations for older students. We understand the importance of educational visits to enhance students' learning experience and prepare them for the real world.

Our trips are linked to the curriculum and offer valuable experiences which include building self-confidence, developing teamwork and communication skills, whilst learning about cultures and perspectives. Residential trips have included Cazorla, Granada, Huelva, Sevilla, Almería, Sierra Nevada, and international destinations like Rome, Paris, Berlin.

School Services

School uniform
All students from Early Years through to Year 11 are required to wear a school uniform. This can be purchased online from our school uniform shop - see the school website for details.

Extracurricular activities
We offer students a range of exciting extracurricular activities to choose from. Activities take place from Monday to Thursday, 4.00pm to 5.00pm.

Early start and late collection service
We offer an early start and a late pick-up service for an additional charge.

School bus service
Sunny View School offers a school bus service that operates on two routes, one from Málaga city and one from Mijas Costa.

School meals
We are committed to offering children healthy, nutritious and balanced meals prepared here in school and which meet their individual needs and promote good health. The school cafeteria also serves sandwiches, healthy snacks and drinks.



School Hours

	Preschool	Primary	Secondary
Start time	8:50 - 9:00	8:50 - 9:00	8:45 - 9:00
Break	Staggered	10:40 - 11:00	11:30 - 11:50
Lunch time	12:00 - 13:00	12:30 - 13:30	13:30 - 14:20
Finish	15:50 - 16:00	15:50 (Y1-2) - 16:00 (Y3-6)	16:00

Term Dates

The school year is divided into three terms, with holidays at Christmas, Easter and in the summer.

Details of the current school calendar can be found on our website.

Next Steps

Up to date information about all aspects of life at Sunny View School, including school fees, can be found on our website: www.sunnyviewschool.com

Come and pay us a visit and see why Sunny View School is such a special place. Please contact **admissions@sunnyviewschool.com** to arrange a visit where we will be happy to answer any questions or queries you may have about Sunny View School.





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