

SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS

Sant Jordi

Sant Jordi is a typical celebration of Catalonia. Boys give a rose to their partners and girls buy a book for them.



In our school, students of primary do some typical dances from Catalonia. The teachers put tables around the playground where you can buy books. They also do a basketball match and they decorate the corridors. In our school we also do a writing contest. There are two different contests: the primary and the secondary contest.

In the primary contest teachers choose the best drawing (in the case of the three to five years children) and the best writing (in the case of the rest of the children) of each class. These children receive an award for the work, usually it is a book including all the winner writings and a rose. In the secondary contest the language teachers choose the best writing of each cycle (two years). They give to the first winner seventy euros and to the second winner forty-five. Also, some students make a theater play that makes us laugh a lot.



Tió

On 25th of December, the Christmas day, the children that have looked after the log since 8th of December, make the log shit. Before this, the parents put below the blanket covering the Tio presents for the children. Usually, they put nougats, hazelnuts and a type of cheese called *Mató*. They also put presents. The song that they sing to make the Tió shitting is:

Shit, log,
shit nougats,
hazelnuts and *mató* cheese,
if you don't shit well,
I'll hit you with a stick,
shit, log!



Saint Ponç

On 11th of May, in the school we celebrate this Saint's day in the afternoon. The grandparents come to the school to see their grandson dancing typical dances from Catalonia. Later, they eat the snack made by the grandparents.



Carnival

In our school, only the children celebrate the carnival. Each course dress up a different theme, usually the theme can be the sea, animals, types of people of different countries... The boys and girls of 1st of ESO go along the parade with the youngest ones. In the morning they prepare the costume and in mid-morning, they go out making an exhibition around Terrassa. In the afternoon they dance a lot with

all the teachers in the playground. They dance according to their costumes.



Castanyada

The last day of October, in school the oldest boys and girls spend all the morning cooking chestnuts. Also, some boys of twelve years old are responsible for bringing all the students the chestnuts. Then, in the afternoon all the students go to the playground and eat the chestnuts.

Later the oldest students sell the chestnut in a kind of store in the street to earn money for their final school-year trip.

Also, this day we celebrate Halloween. We give more importance to castanyada but primary students go around the classes singing scary songs with scary costumes, they recite poems too.



Theatre plays

During all the year, the children make theater plays like Cinderella, Saint George, The Three Little Pigs.... They learn the text and they prepare the decorations in the arts class, they rehearse and they finally make their play. The teachers make a lot of photos and they include them in a CD's. It is so funny to see it.



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