



# Newsletter

Santo Tirso / Trofa / Riba d'Ave

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### April

1 <sup>st</sup>	Ricky	A ch	T
1 <sup>st</sup>	Luis	A adults	T
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ana Rita	B adults	T
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ana Filipa	A ch	ST
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ana Cristina	D teens	ST
4 <sup>th</sup>	Ana Rita	B teens	ST
5 <sup>th</sup>	Ana Claudia	B teens	ST
6 <sup>th</sup>	Wilson	B ch	T
6 <sup>th</sup>	Diana	C adults	T
7 <sup>th</sup>	Guilherme	B ch	ST
7 <sup>th</sup>	José M	C teens	RA
7 <sup>th</sup>	Francisca	D teens	RA
7 <sup>th</sup>	Bia Nunes	FCE	RA
7 <sup>th</sup>	David	FCE	T
8 <sup>th</sup>	Nunes	C teens	RA
9 <sup>th</sup>	Maria	Aa	ST
9 <sup>th</sup>	Miguel	Beg ch	ST
9 <sup>th</sup>	Raquel	A ch	ST
9 <sup>th</sup>	Catia	A adults	T
10 <sup>th</sup>	Ana	FCE	T
11 <sup>th</sup>	Gonçalo	Aa	ST
11 <sup>th</sup>	João	C teens	ST
12 <sup>th</sup>	Inês	B teens	ST
12 <sup>th</sup>	Maria	B teens	T
13 <sup>th</sup>	Diogo	Aa	T
13 <sup>th</sup>	José	C adults	ST
13 <sup>th</sup>	Ana Rita	D teens	RA
14 <sup>th</sup>	Margarida	A ch	ST
14 <sup>th</sup>	Ana Sofia	C teens	ST
14 <sup>th</sup>	Luana	D teens	T
15 <sup>th</sup>	Susana	A adults	ST
15 <sup>th</sup>	Joe	CAE	T
17 <sup>th</sup>	Alice	Aa	ST
17 <sup>th</sup>	Carolina	C teens	ST
18 <sup>th</sup>	Joana	C adults	T
19 <sup>th</sup>	Gabriela	A ch	RA
21 <sup>st</sup>	Inês	C teens	ST
21 <sup>st</sup>	Vanessa	C adults	T
26 <sup>th</sup>	Fernanda	C adults	RA
26 <sup>th</sup>	João	C adults	T
29 <sup>th</sup>	João Pedro	B ch	ST
29 <sup>th</sup>	Catarina	B ch	ST
29 <sup>th</sup>	Inês	CAE	T
30 <sup>th</sup>	Filipe	C adults	T
30 <sup>th</sup>	Mary	FCE	ST

(RA) Riba D'Ave – (ST) St Tirso – (T) Trofa



WELCOME BACK everyone! Did you all have a good Easter? And a relaxing holiday (for those who had holidays)? We all hope so 😊 Now get ready for the final stretch of this school year. Some of you have exams this year, but don't leave your studying until the last minute.

**FUNNY** – look at these Portuguese expressions that have been translated literally to English. Can you guess them?

- It's eight or eighty.
- Head of rotten garlic.
- From very small the cucumber is twisted.
- Friends, friends, business aside.
- Here they're made, here they're paid.
- I'm in the ink.
- Go take a turn.
- You're letting water in.
- Monkeys bite me.
- By the yes, by the no.



**And what about these funny signs?**





# Student's work

Santorini is a beautiful, calm and romantic island to visit. I would like to do that or probably live there. This island is a place which combines natural beauty with the beauty of architecture. The island is shaped like a half moon. People seek this island because of its romanticism, or her landscapes.

Santorini is in the country of Greece, the most charming island there. This island belongs to the archipelago of the Cyclades islands in the Aegean Sea, 200 kilometres from Athens. It has 73 square kilometres of area for approximately 14 000 inhabitants.

The island is one of the corners of a volcano (still active) which was most active around the year 1680. In various parts of the island you can see the volcano surrounded by sea. People say this eruption inspired the legend of Atlantis.

The capital of Santorini is Thera (or Fira), the main tourist center. The most beautiful town of Santorini is Oia (pronounced "Ía") with a magical setting, during the sunset, when houses, all colourful, are bathed in an orange aura.

Many of the terraces of the houses have been turned into hotels, bars and restaurants, so from there you can have the most beautiful views.

There are boats departing from the harbour to take you for a tour of the volcano. The simple tour lasts 3 hours.

This is Santorini, the mysterious island of Greece which lives in legend. *(Rita Gonçalves – B adults – Trofa)*

## Environmental problem in Guidões

I've lived in Guidões, suburb of Trofa, since I was born.

I think it's a nice suburb, because it's welcoming and it has great people.

It's a beautiful place to live but there is a small environmental problem: water pollution.

The chemicals farmers used to produce vegetables and cereals are now in the water.

My family helps by recycling, saving water and producing biological food. I believe soon the problem will be solved.

*(Margarida Soares – B ch – Trofa)*

Dear mum and dad,

I'm having a great time with Ana and her family.

At the moment we are shopping in the mall. They bought me a dress. It's beautiful.

This evening we are going to the cinema to watch a film.

Tomorrow we're going to the beach so we can take a sunbath and swim in the sea.

In the afternoon we are going to the park and we are riding bikes.

In the evening we are going to the café.

I'd like to go to an Amusement Park too.

See you soon!

Love,

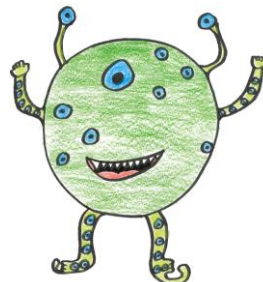
Inês.

*(Inês Xia Xu – A ch – St Tirso)*



This is my monster. She is a girl, her name is Stephany. She has got three green eyes, one nose, two mouths and brown hair. She has got four arms and three legs. Her dress is pink and blue.

*(Margarida Soares – Aa – St Tirso)*



Here's my monster friend. His name is Bubble Eye. He's got twenty-nine blue eyes, a big mouth, two arms, two legs and a green body.

His favourite food is fish.

*(Gonçalo Santana – Aa – St Tirso)*

## Music and Me

When we listen to music it can change our state of mind. The word "music" is used to express a variety of different types of music which have been created over a long time.

When I was little my parents used to put music for me to sleep, it was when I began to interact with music. Since then I have always been influenced by the music so much that my parents put a CD player in the car.

Nowadays I listen to music all the time, when I go to the gym, to the Institute, at home or on the bus. It is a way for me to relax and not to think about anything around me.

I don't have a particular type of music or song. I listen to what makes me feel out of this world. Sometimes I listen to music whenever I am angry, sad or happy. I listen and I sing at the same time to expand my mind. In general I just listen to it so that I don't think about anything else or to go to another "universe".

*(Rita Pereira – FCE – St Tirso)*

## THE GREEN HANDS (Part 2)

They told me the original way in which they met, having been married for thirty five years, with married children and grandchildren. Eve was a pretty doll of a woman, of daring taste sometimes. Her radiant kindness made her eye-catching, in co-ordinated overtones of purple, lilac, rose, blue and grey from her clothes, nails and face to her eye-shadow.... Adam was the prototype of the gentle new-rich, easy-going, well set-up in life. With a volumous and well-filled wallet and an open smile, he told of how he worked like a “war horse” during the week. During that month of August, they had already been in China, Palma de Majorca and, now, with us in Munich, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Vienna, Bratislava and Hungary...

Adam had the curious and mischievous talent of being able to tell jokes in his Brazilian-Spanish-Portuguese, in the midst of the attentive silence of the visitors and cutting through the voice of the guides. The most serious among us censured him with irritated glances, while others gave support with barely contained smiles.

On that trip along the long and wide avenues of Budapest reborn from the ashes of Communism, the couple (Adam and Eve) didn't stop to window shop as we all usually did. They looked for florists, seed stalls and rosebushes of strangely-coloured blooms. Adam bought all sorts of things. He was as happy as a joyful mobile garden.

At a certain point, I asked him:

- “Tell me, are you going to take all this to Portugal? There's so much with the luggage and all...”
- “What?! It's all going with me, even if I have to buy another suitcase!”
- “And when you get there?”
- “It will all take. I brought plants from Cuba, Canada, Brazil, North Africa, everything took! I have an enormous garden around our villa! It's full of plants which everyone admires. Oh, my dear Eve, I'm looking forward to seeing if those bulbs from Thailand have taken...I'm sure they have...”

He winked at me with an affectionate and mischievous smile.

- “Do you know? I was born with green hands...”

*(by Prof. Adelaide Calheiros – St Tirso)*

Once upon a time in a small village in Madeira, there was a little boy, who dreamt of being the best player in the planet.

He came from a poor family and when he had the opportunity to follow his dream, he left his family to start a new phase of his life in Lisbon, even though he was still very young.

In Lisbon he cried, he smiled but never gave up.

His first dream of becoming a football player came true. But he wanted more, much more.

After playing high quality football in Portugal, one of the best clubs in the world signed him up. He continued playing great football and beat many records, which led to him being considered, for the first time, the best player of the world.

After six years, he transferred to a bigger club. The cost of this transfer is the most expensive to date.

In this club, he beat records again, and again was considered the best player in the world (2x)

Once upon a time, in 1997 a little boy's dream of playing football in a great club came true ...and he always believed in his dreams from that day on.

*(Conversation class – Trofa)*

## Essay on Fashion

The importance of the fashion industry has always been significant in people's lives, but in my opinion, it is in a negative way.

In the fashion industry, appearance is everything. For example, it is much easier for a person wearing a nice suit to get a job than someone wearing a simple shirt, regardless of the person's abilities and skills.

Regarding the price of clothes, it is often excessive what people buy just to be able to say they are wearing designer clothes, because according to our society's mind, that makes them more important and fashionable, when it is often not the case.

Additionally, no matter the cost of the designer labels, these clothes may not have the quality that you would expect from such an expensive clothing item. Often, we find much less expensive clothes for the same quality as many brands have to offer.

To conclude, the fashion industry should not be given as much importance as it is nowadays, because we should focus more on someone's personality traits.

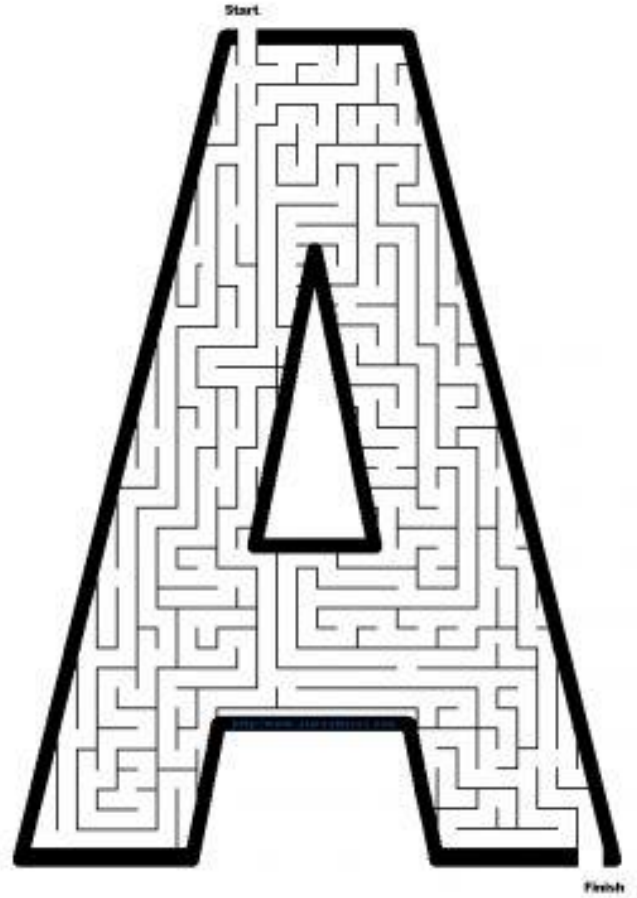
*(Diana Costa – FCE – Trofa)*

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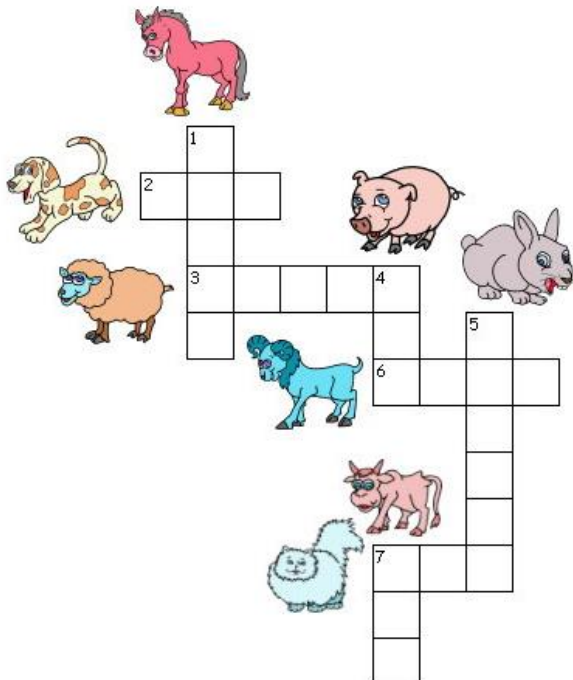
## Word Search—Wild Animals

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| Buffalo    | Giraffe      | Monkey     |
| Chimpanzee | Gorilla      | Parrot     |
| Cougar     | Hippopotamus | Porcupine  |
| Crocodile  | Hyena        | Rhinoceros |
| Eagle      | Leopard      | Tiger      |
| Elephant   | Lion         | Warthog    |
| Gazelle    | Mongoose     | Zebra      |



## Write the names of the animals



## Put these words in the right place

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| BEAN     | LETTUCE  | POTATO  |
| BEEF     | MUSHROOM | PUMPKIN |
| BROCCOLI | ONION    | SPINACH |
| CABBAGE  | OKRA     | TOMATO  |
| CARROT   | PEA      | TURNIP  |
| CELERY   | PEPPER   | YAM     |
| CORN     |          |         |
| CUCUMBER |          |         |

