



An expupil sent a photo of himself wearing his England shirt.

## Cold Weather

Dear Friends,  
Greetings from Asuncion where we are wanting to ask for our sun back!! It's been cold and miserable for weeks now and in Paraguay the sun hasn't made much of an appearance! We hear it's gone to Europe. Hope you're enjoying it!

Grey skies and cold winds!!!



## Holidays

Many of the older pupils had left before the end of term. The 6th form to take a trip to Cancun- a tradition of theirs that we're not keen on! They seem to have enjoyed it anyway. Some of the 15 yr olds went to language school in England and are still there. They are really enjoying themselves in Dorset. Other families went off on holidays early and some were even in Russia for the world cup! The Ministry of Education won't set rules for absences and so we have no authority to stop them missing school.



Two successful pupils

It's winter here and we have just had our 2 week Winter break. We have now been back in school for a week and it seems much longer! Before we broke up we had reports to write and send out. The infants did a little show for their parents where they sang and danced. It was quite amusing as some are very enthusiastic! This had to take place in the cathedral as we still haven't got a school hall. Therefore the show was on a much smaller scale than usual due to lack of space. The parents enjoyed it anyway and left happily.



Angeles winning Bronze in a Physics competition



Sebastian representing Paraguay in the World Youth sailing championship.



*Accident Prevention*

The last Friday before the holidays started we had staff training on Accident Prevention. This is required by law now. Apparently we are the only school to be fully registered for it. Our school lawyer keeps us on our toes with all the new rules and regulations!



As the holidays started we went in search of some sun! We took a 5 day break in Recife in the north of Brazil. It's known for its reefs and so we were able to go snorkelling and enjoy some sunshine. We came back in the middle of our break and so we were able to do jobs round the house.



The PE staff couldn't resist sneaking a look at the World Cup.



## *Back to school*

It was back to school on the 23rd.

The week seemed very long but it went fine. Most of the pupils were back in school. The builders are still working and are mainly on the new land and in the school hall which has been separated off from the rest of school. There are still jobs to be done round school too. We still need staff rooms and offices. We both share an office at the moment and it's a bit cramped but we manage. On the 30th we celebrated Friendship Day with a staff breakfast starting at 6.45 am! That was followed by other celebrations with pupils. It also included Mags' birthday.





Beautiful owls at the Sports Ground



# Ex-pupils

The new president will be sworn in on August 15th. It's interesting to see how many ex pupils he has chosen to work with him. Some are ministers and others working with the ministers. Please pray for them all. They have all heard the gospel over their years in school and are all good people and we pray that they won't be marred by politics. Pray too that they will be able to stand up for what is right.

## President and Ministers

1st form pupils chatting with the 3rd graders to practise their English



Nadua soon to be heading to Taiwan



We have been very impressed with many of our ex pupils recently. One of them has just won a scholarship from the British embassy to do his masters degree in Cambridge. He was then given a Commonwealth scholarship as well.

Many of them are also going to Barcelona to do further study after their degree. One of the girls who left school in 2016 has just gained a full scholarship to study in Taiwan for 5 years. The first year is to learn Chinese. One of our older ex pupils is just finishing his 5 years in Taiwan. Both study electrical engineering and will have a great advantage in world markets later on.



where she will be joining Gonzalo who is starting his final year there.

Never been seen before: people queuing to give in CVs for jobs in a chemist chain.



The two ex pupils who set up a charity to make prosthetic hands on a 3D printer were on the front page of the newspaper today with their new prosthetic leg/foot. A number of other ex pupils have set up charities too. Many have set up businesses and we have just heard of an ex pupil who wrote a children's book and is going to New York to receive an award.



9th Grade gardening in the cold one zucchini grew really big



We haven't been involved in taking the services in church this month but we are back into the swing of it now and it will be our service the first Sunday in August.

Many thanks for your continued prayers and support. We really do appreciate them.

God Bless and love from,  
Gwen and Mags xx

The new part of the road by the river has been opened making it much quicker to Surubif

