



The Formentera Council reported today on maintenance operations this summer at the island's three public primary schools. Education secretary Susana Labrador said upkeep at Sant Francesc's Mestre Lluís Andreu and the schools of Sant Ferran and el Pilar de la Mola, requested by school administrations, local parents' groups and student councils, was intended to get educational centres primed for the return of pupils tomorrow, 13 September.

### **Sant Francesc**

In Mestre Lluís Andreu's lower building, the Council's maintenance brigade prepped an existing courtyard structure for storage use, cleaned the courtyard and boiler room, repaired damaged shutters and window tracks, scraped and painted inner doors and performed checks of electrical fixtures.

An outside firm was brought in by the Council to repair leaks and paint the hallway and entrance of the early-learning centre. The work cost €12,251, VAT included.

Council crews also carried out regular maintenance and fixed a leaky boiler in Mestre Lluís Andreu's upper building.

### **Sant Ferran**

In Sant Ferran, the maintenance brigade painted classrooms, doors, railings and window bars, mounted a wooden shed in the courtyard of the toddlers' school, built new furniture and conducted regular upkeep.

Outside companies were tasked with filling cracks in the roofing over classrooms and building numerous structures: a partition to create a natural light area in one room, accessible wheelchair ramps on multiple outdoor walkways and walls around the sides of the school's sandbox, to keep mess to a minimum and improve conditions for play.

Other upgrades included new, earth-friendly artificial turf in the toddlers' swing area and cost €9,998.90, VAT included.

Painters were brought in to clean and paint the deteriorated outside walls of the building's central area for €9,005.52.

### **La Mola**

In la Mola, crews spruced up paint jobs on the school's inside and outside walls, performed checks of air-conditioning units and electrical fixtures and did other regular maintenance.

The education secretary asserted that it is the Council's job to see to upkeep in schools and, for that reason, two individuals on the administration's work crew are tasked specifically with overseeing year-round regular maintenance.