



Today the Formentera Office of Youth (*Conselleria de Juventut*) unveiled its programme of activities to celebrate World Children's Day on 20 November. All month long special activities will help children and young people to celebrate their day, a commemoration of adoption of the Universal Declaration of the Rights of the Child (1959) and the Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989).

Councillor of Youth Affairs Vanessa Parellada described the programme as "extremely varied" and insisted, "We want all kids and teens on the island to celebrate their day in one way or another, but we want all islanders, no matter their age, to participate as well". "Protecting children and young people and defending their rights are cross-cutting issues, and diverse activities bills such as the one we are presenting today are a testament to that".

Skate park activities

For the first time ever, the Casal de Joves has put together a day of activities at the Sant Francesc skate park. The event will take place Saturday 6 November between 5.00pm and 8.30pm. Experienced skaters will face off in a tricks contest with a prize for the two finalists. There will also be an exhibition by ten-year-old Leonardo Vinicius Cuervo and Naia Laso, Spain's 12-year-old champion of park skateboarding.

Monday 10 November at 3.00pm Xènia Fuertes will post a storytelling session to the Facebook page of the Marià Villangómez Library. Friday 26 November will be a day for the environment. From 3.00pm islanders can connect to Marià Villangómez Library's Facebook page again to see Maristela Bell host an activity on recycling.

Talks

On Tuesday 11 November, as part of the Formentera Office of Social Welfare's lecture series for parents and teachers, islanders are invited to attend Lydia Micó's "Intentional Eating: The art of being present while at the table". The talk starts at 5.00pm in the Sala de Plens (next to the Formentera Day Centre). Thursday 25 November, Cristina Costa will give a presentation called "With positive education, everyone's a winner!", also in the Sala de Plens from 5.00pm.

Interested parties must reserve space in advance by calling 971 321 271 or emailing educacio.social@conselldeformentera.cat

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Friday 12 November at 6.00pm, the Casal de Joves invites youth to an evening of star gazing where activity leaders will lead participants on a walk to the Molí d'en Mateu windmill to observe stars and constellations.

Fitness day

On Saturday 13 November, the Formentera Office of Sport has put together a day of fitness at the Antoni Blanc sports centre. From 9.00am to 2.00pm there will be kids' circuits, guided classes, a demonstration of flow dance and demonstrations by local sport clubs.

Clown show

The cultural part of the programme kicks off Saturday 13 November with clown extraordinaire Marcel Gros's production "Contes Amagats". The show is organised by the Formentera Office of Culture and will start at 6.00pm in the Sala de Cultura (Cinema). Tickets cost €4 and can be purchased at www.entradesformentera.cat .

World Alcohol-Free Day on Monday 15 November will come with games and dynamic activities hosted by Formentera Marxa. The event will take place from 5.00pm in the courtyard of Sant Ferran's new Espai Cultural (formerly the Sant Ferran school).

Children's Parliament

Friday 19 November will be the occasion for the tenth Balearic Children's Parliament. Representatives from Children's and Youth Councils across the archipelago will appear before the Balearic Parliament to present a manifesto regarding their efforts around Sustainable Development Goal number 11 of the UN's 2030 Agenda: "Sustainable Cities and Communities: Is our municipality sustainable?". The presentation happens with support from the regional chapter of UNICEF and the Balearic Office of Children and Adolescents (*Oficina Balear de la Infància i l'Adolescència/OBIA*). All Formentera schools will participate in the event.

On the morning of Friday 19 November, the Sala de Cultura (Cinema) will play host to **Vívete**. It will be the first time the conference is held in an in-person format on Formentera. Geared toward young people in general and students of Marc Ferrer High School in particular, the idea behind

Vívete

is to reflect on attitudes, values and emotions with speakers who share their own personal experience.

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seeks to promote human values and tools for sound, conscious personal development.

World Children's Day

For young people Saturday 20 November will be a day of reflection. From 5.00pm, under the banner "Universal Children's Day: Know your rights!", the Casal de Joves team will discuss the rights enshrined in the Convention on the Rights of the Child. The convention establishes the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights of children and was adopted by the UN General Assembly on 20 November 1989.

Also on Friday 26 November, from 5.00pm, Formentera Marxa will present a workshop on alcohol-free cocktails at the Sant Francesc skate park. And lastly, Tuesday 30 November from 10.00am, the Formentera Children's and Youth Participatory Council will meet for the group's full-house virtual assembly.

Full public health protocol will be enforced at all activities per current regulations.

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