

## Y7 & Y8 Malaga Trip July 2024

In the early hours of Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July, Mr Vera, Miss Williams, 27 students and I left the school car park at 3.30am to travel to Manchester Airport.

We flew to Malaga, arriving around 1.00pm and headed straight away to the Playa Language School, a language school, right on the beach. Students enjoyed a one-hour Spanish lesson, covering the basics taught in school this year, then we headed to the hotel Kristal in Torremolinos where we checked in and showered, ready for our evening meal.

After dinner we enjoyed an evening stroll around Torremolinos and students discovered the amazing Alehop shop where many euros were spent. We also walked down the steps to the beach to put our feet in the sea.



### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday was our day trip to the beautiful city of Granada and the Alhambra Palace, a world heritage site and one of the most beautiful places on earth.

The students were amazed by the intricate carvings and mosaics and the beautiful gardens with roses and orange trees. We had lunch in the gardens and then walked down into the town of Granada to spot the pomegranates (Granada means pomegranate).

The temperature soared to 41c, and we took refuge in an air-conditioned shopping centre before catching the coach back to Torremolinos.

We still had just about enough energy to walk to Alehop again after dinner.



### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Thursday morning we explored the Gibralforo Castle and Alcazar Fort in Malaga. We enjoyed some free time in Malaga city centre then headed back to La Playa Language School for another one-hour language lesson, followed by a Flamenco show and workshop.

During our last evening in Torremolinos we walked down the steps again to the beach where we, once again, put our feet in the sea.





### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

We had a moment of panic on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July when we heard that the Microsoft Outage was grounding flights all over the world.

Fortunately, our flight was not affected and we arrived back in Manchester with only a one-hour delay, arriving back at school at our expected time.

What a privilege it was to spend the last week of term with such a well-behaved and enthusiastic group of students!

A wonderful end to the academic year with memories that will last a lifetime.

Thank you to Mr Vera and Miss Williams for all their help during the trip and to the students who were a credit to their school and families, conducting themselves sensibly throughout the visit.

Have a great Summer everyone – see you in September!

