

13.- LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

FEMALE PUPIL READS A POEM

I am the Head of Department for Spanish. I wanted to introduce our students to you in an everyday class in our school because one of the things we do from time to time is to bring them to this part of the library, because we want to get them used to the valuable materials that are books. One of our main aims for our students is that they learn to read, and also that they feel comfortable when working and studying.

Besides, the normal running of a class is to show how important Spanish language is for communication and to instigate the process by which we become integrated in our society and our groups – thus we see how important it is.

And we work in a number of ways to achieve this, always taking into account that we have to create real situations when we study Spanish. We then study lexicon, vocabulary, also grammar, the rules, and of course reading comprehension and self-expression.

FEMALE PUPIL: For all the subjects, I have a notebook, and also a file to separate each subject, and for Spanish I like to have the exercises which are my homework in order. In class, I use capital letters and I highlight the title of what we are learning, and also the topic and the date. As for exercises, I put the title in black, and then I write the answers in blue so that they can be clearly seen. I write the date on the upper side of the paper when I do the exercises. We also do grammatical analyses of speeches. Everything is clean and in order so that it can be easily seen, and so that I can study them after working on them.

I think it is also important to make public the work that our students do in class, because, later, it is in the school magazine that that work and all those creations will find their public.

Basically, it is me speaking during the Spanish lessons, but there are activities done in other subjects that are also published in the magazine because the magazine functions as the school's cultural voice.