







#### INFORMATION SHEET FOR LANGUAGE ASSISTANTS

SCHOOL DATA	<ul> <li>School name: CEIP Fernando Gavilán</li> <li>Address: Avenida Herrera Oria (no number), 11600, Ubrique</li> <li>Telephone number: +34 956 12 88 01</li> <li>Email: 11008033.edu@juntadeandalucia.es</li> <li>Google maps: <u>https://goo.gl/maps/3yiUA8RedoW8pXK26</u></li> </ul>		
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Education level	<ul> <li>Early Childhood Education (students from 3 to 5 years old)</li> <li>Primary School Education (students from 6 to 12 years old)</li> </ul>		
Collaboration subjects/modules of the Language Assistant	- Social Science - Natural Science - Visual Arts		
Information about the town and/or neighborhood	<ul> <li><u>https://www.ubriqueturismo.es/oficina-de-turismo/</u></li> <li>In the link above you can find information about Ubrique: Leisure, reading clubs, cinema clubs, language exchange, council/district courses, sports clubs, hiking trails, nature, culture, gastronomy</li> <li>Ubrique Council promotional video:</li> </ul>		
Getting to school	<ul> <li><u>https://youtu.be/gzAnj2l8TB0</u></li> <li>Ubrique is a small town and therefore everything is accessible by foot. You do not need public transport.</li> </ul>		
	- To travel to towns or cities outside of Ubrique, there is a bus service: <u>https://www.ayuntamientoubrique.es/images/stories/documentos/</u> <u>servicios/horario_autobuses_verano_ubrique.jpg</u>		
Accommodation - Where to live in town?	- Links to rental websites: <u>La Sierra</u> <u>Movegestion</u> <u>SM</u>		
- Possibility of staying with a family?	- Every year new teachers come to Ubrique and need to find a flat to rent. We recommend contacting the school and/or other/previous language assistants to enquire further about finding somewhere to stay.		
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- Possibility of teachers?	sharing	a flat	with	
Contact with Assistants	other	Lanç	juage	- Jo McQueen is the assistant who has been collaborating in the school this year: <u>jo.mcqueen10@gmail.com</u>
				- Facebook group for ELA Spain: https://www.facebook.com/groups/britishcouncilelasspain/?ref=sh are

Previous Experiences with Language Assistants

A continuación se detalla una PRESENTACION realizada por nuestra auxiliary de conversación:





## Advice for the next Auxiliar

#### CEIP Fernando Gavilán Ubrique



#### Welcome!

Hello! Welcome to Ubrique and to the Aux community! Ubrique is a very scenic and tranquil white town, and yet it is also very energetic with great nightlife and festivities, so you will be sure to have a great time here.

There are a handful of auxiliares from all over the world working in the local schools, with everyone experiencing the same situation, so I recommend that you join the local aux whatsapp group chat to get to know them all and make friends.

Additionally, I would urge you to be confident and befriend locals from the town and integrate yourself into society... not only will you improve your Spanish, but you will enjoy an authentic experience during your time in Ubrique.

# Suggestions about finding housing and where to live.

Ubrique is relatively small and therefore everything is within walking distance. Unless you have a car, I would suggest staying in Ubrique as currently there are only a few buses a day to other towns/cities.

La Avenida is the main central street where everything happens, however living on it is not ideal due to noise from the pubs and bars. I live on Avenida de Andalucía, which the locals consider far from the centre, but in reality it is a 5-10 minute walk to the centre as well as to the school, and offers peace and quiet at night time.

You can enquire about places to rent in Ubrique on rental websites, however, your best bet is asking around. I found my flat (rather informally) through word of mouth a couple of months before arriving, as I contacted a previous aux, who messaged his old landlord on my behalf to enquire about available flats. You can also ask the school to help, or other auxiliars.

#### **General Advice**

The students at this school are lovely. They will totally adore you and will greet you everyday with enthusiasm, especially the younger classes. A lot of the children attend english classes in local academies so overall they have a good level of vocabulary and confidence.

In regards to preparation, most classes do not require a lot of work beforehand. The teacher will most likely have prepared the class and you are just there to help out. Occasionally you will be asked to make a presentation on something like your life at home and your country, christmas / halloween / easter traditions, or to prepare an activity and video, or find a worksheet. ESL worksheets is a great resource, you can make a free account and everything is printable.

If you want to make extra money, it is common for teachers and parents to approach you about private tutoring sessions with them and/or their kids. You can also enquire about working in the local english academies. I have been working as a teacher in Multimedia English Academy this year, who are always happy to have a native English speaker in their company. I work with both kids and adults. If you do decide to work a second job, make sure you ask for Friday permanently off, to match your school timetable, and then you can really utilise your long weekend for travel!

#### **Specific Teachers**

**Pepe** (the director) - Very lovely and charismatic. You will not have class with him, however, he is often in the staff room with €0.50 in hand, ready to offer you a coffee from the coffee machine. If you don't use your break to go to a local cafe with friends, you can spend it chatting away to Pepe whilst practising your Spanish.

**Loli** (school supervisor) - I call her the heart of the school, she is great and such a sweetheart! She does everything and is super friendly. She goes for a coffee in a nearby cafe every break so feel free to join her!

**Mari Carmen** (secretary/bilingual coordinator) - Mari Carmen is your main point of contact whilst at the school. She will correspond with you prior to your arrival, and will be the one who sorts out your papers, money, and who to ask if you need a day off for sickness etc. Additionally, you will have class with her where you will prepare material beforehand. She is a very busy lady!

### Specific Teachers (continued)

**Inma** (english teacher) - You will really enjoy your classes with Inma. She is the English teacher for every year group however, you will only help her with the younger kids. Her classes are filled with songs, videos, singing, rhymes and colouring in. As the students are young, you focus on easy vocabulary, whilst having a good chat with Inma.

**Cinthya** (teacher) - Cinthya is a great teacher who puts a lot of effort into her classes. She follows a class book and activity book which is accompanied with games, listenings, songs, flashcards etc. She balances having fun in class with efficiency and authority very well, which makes it great for both you and the students, and she has a great English level herself.

**Priscilla** (music teacher) - You will not have music classes with Priscilla, instead you will accompany her in bilingual class. Much like the classes with Cinthya, you will really enjoy class with Priscilla as she is organised, very nice and speaks good English. She will prepare the material beforehand such as the book they are following or a worksheet, and you will be a helping hand. Her classes sometimes include songs and dances, and also colouring in.

### Specific Teachers (continued)

**Amalia** (teacher) - Amalia is another lovely bilingual teacher that you will assist in class. Her classes are often creative and the students work on projects such as posters. Additionally, she does oral tests with the students, where you will mark them on their effort and pronunciation of the subject.

**Soledad** (teacher) - This may not apply to you if the teachers change classes each year, but as it stands, Mari Carmen and Soledad are the teachers of 4A and 4B. Whatever I do in Mari Carmen's class on the Monday, I then repeat on Tuesday for Sole's class. Sole herself has a high level of English.

All the teachers in the school are very welcoming and friendly. The teachers that you do not have class with you will see in the staffroom and in-between classes, and are also lovely. You will spend a lot of time in the staffroom/patio getting to know them, practising your Spanish, discussing weekend plans, or asking them for recommendations in Ubrique as the majority of them are locals. Make the effort to befriend them all to make the most of your time in the school :)

#### **Final Words**

The academic year flies by, so be sure to really make the most of your time her in Ubrique and in the school. Spend your weekends making friends in the town, travelling to new places, attending local festivities/events, enjoying the sun and the surrounding beautiful landscape.

I am more than happy to assist you further via email or whatsapp if you have any questions, or want help with anything, or if you ever just want to chat with someone who was in your position last year. I became friends through whatsapp with the previous aux before me, who has since visited Ubrique this year, and we met up which was sweet. If I visit Ubrique next year I am sure we will meet! Ask the school for my contact details.

Good luck, and have as much fun as you can!