
OUR HIGH SCHOOL AND ITS CONTEXT



INS FRANCESC MACIÀ STUDENTS



Our school is in **Catalonia (Spain)**.

Spain is a country with 17 Autonomous communities.

Catalonia is one of these communities, and a nation inside in this country



Catalonia

CATALUÑA-CATALUNYA



GEOGRAPHY



MOUNTAINS:

There are many mountains in Catalonia.

- » Pirineus are situated in the north of Catalonia. In winter the mountains become very attractive for the tourist. You can practise snow, ski and other winter sports.



COASTS:

The most famous coasts in Catalonia are:

» Costa Brava, in Girona



» Costa Daurada, in Tarragona.



They are famous because their marine fauna is amazing and we can go diving.

SOME FAMOUS BUILDINGS IN BARCELONA



There are many buildings of great architectural value in Barcelona:
Medieval buildings,
Modernists, Modern, etc



Arquitectural

- » Sagrada familia: It is a big church in Barcelona built by Antoni Gaudí in 1882. They are still building it and it is one of the most important temples in Catalonia. It is a symbol which represents Barcelona.
- » The most important concert hall in Catalonia is the Palau de la Música Catalana. It's a modernist building of great architectural value. In 1997, the Palau de la Música Catalana was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site along with Hospital de Sant Pau.



Catalonia languages



- ✘ The language spoken in Catalonia is Catalan and Spanish (or castilian). Both are officials.
- ✘ Catalan is a Romanic language and is spoken by ten millions of people, in Spain, France , Italy, and Andorra (In Andorra is the only place where is the only official language)
- ✘ Spanish is the third more spoken language in the world ,after english and chinese.
- ✘ Practically all catalan people talk spanish and catalan indistinctly

NATIONAL DAY



- ✘ Catalonia's national day is celebrated every 11th of September and commemorates the defeat of Barcelona in Succession War against Borbon's Dynasty in the year 1714...just 300 years ago...
- ✘ Sant Jordi (23 april) is other very important day.

CORREFOCS

A photograph showing the silhouettes of people holding up scythes against a background of exploding fireworks at night. The scene is dark, with the bright light of the fireworks illuminating the figures and the scythes.

✘ One of the most interesting tradition is “Correfocs”

People disguised as as devil run while shooting fireworks. It represents happiness, and they dance while drummers play. In Barcelona you can see them in September at “the Mercè”.

CASTELLERS

A large crowd of people, many wearing red shirts, are gathered for a human tower performance. A person in a red shirt and white mask is standing on a high platform, surrounded by a dense crowd of people. The scene is filled with energy and excitement.

- That's a Catalan word that means castles – they are a cultural phenomenon particular to Catalonia and consist of erecting human towers. This tradition originated at the end of the 18th century in Valls, Tarragona, when rival groups of people called colles, compete in constructing the different kinds of human towers.

POPULAR DANCES OF CATALONIA

- This place has a lot of traditional dances:

- Sardana:



- Ball de bastons:



THE MOST POPULAR PEOPLE IN CATALONIA

- Pau Casals was one of the world's best Catalan musicians. He played the violoncello...and he was exiled after civil war...he died in Puerto Rico ...far from home.



Salvador Dalí...Painter

Antoni Gaudí...Arquitect

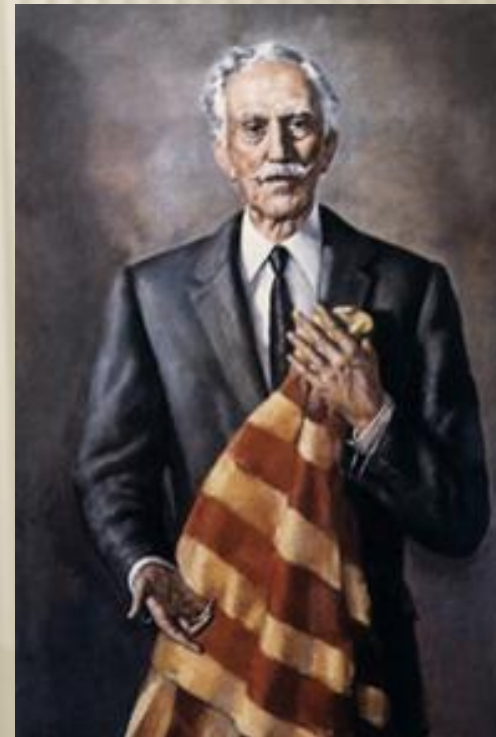
Ferran Adrià...Cooker

**Pau Gasol, Xavi, Victor Valdés... Sportive
Etc...**

FRANCESC MACIA:

- ✘ The name of our school is Francesc Macia because he was a President in Catalonia.

- ✘ The name of our school is **INSTITUT FRANCESC MACIÀ**



LOCATION : CORNELLÀ

- ✗ Now we are talking about the location of our highschool. Our highschool is in a perfect position in the city of Cornellà.
- ✗ Barcelona it's only 15 minutes by train...



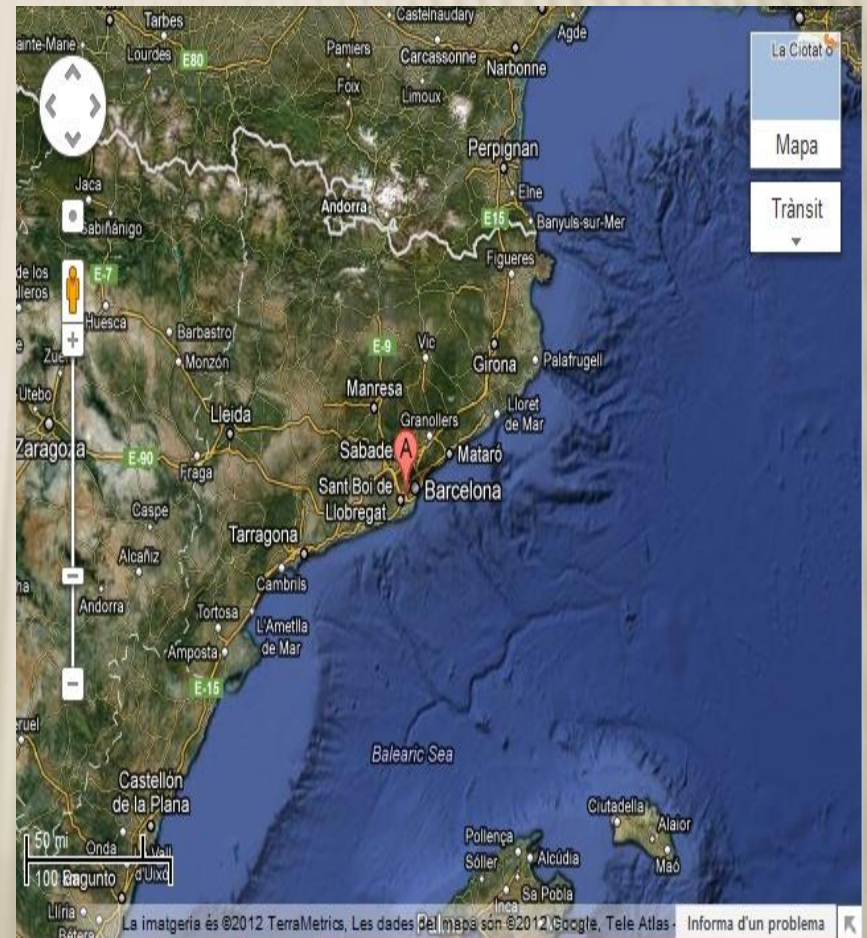
LOCATION IN SPAIN

- ✘ In conclusion, our high school is placed in Cornellà, near Barcelona, which is in Catalonia. Therefore, it is in the north east of Spain.



LOCATION IN CATALUNYA

- ✗ Cornellà is very near Barcelona, which is the condal city of Catalonia. This region is located in the north east of Spain.



IN OUR SCHOOL WE HAVE...

- ✘ We have a gym. Our gym is also a show room where we celebrate special days like carnival or different meetings



AND THE PLAYGROUNDS

