

The Formentera Department of Youth reports that registration for the Escola d'Estiu will start tomorrow, Thursday 18 June. Signups extend through 24 June and can be completed online on the Virtual Citizen Information Office (OVAC) or in person and by appointment at the Citizen Information Office (OAC, tel: 971 32 10 87).

The Consell de Formentera's summer programme for children ages 3 to 12 starts 1 July, with campuses at schools in Sant Francesc, Sant Ferran and La Mola. Priority will go to families for whom balancing work and childcare is problematic, those at increased risk of social and economic hardship and those in which children are receiving special protective attention. Special tuition assistance is available for households particularly affected by the Covid-19 crisis.

Staggered drop-off and pick-up

The Escola d'Estiu daily programme runs from 8.00am to 2.30pm. This year, a system of staggered drop-off and pick-up times will be in place in order to avoid crowding. On registration forms, parents must note their preferred time for drop-off (8.00-8.30am, 8.30-9.00am or 9.00-9.30am) and pick-up (1.30-2.00pm or 2.00-2.30pm).

The main theme of the 2020 programme is health, and the watchword—"Ens cuidam"—centres on personal care. Youth department consellera Vanessa Parellada described the Escola d'Estiu as a crucial resource for local families whose workload typically surges in the high season months of summer, and highlighted the positive impact that educational recreation has on children. "And after three and a half months without school, this year the prospect of an environment where safe socialising, games, leisure and value-based learning can take place is more important than ever".

Special safety protocol

Special protocol will be in place to prevent the spread of Covid-19. Group size will be reduced and counsellors will interact exclusively with their assigned groups, abstaining from contact with other children to keep transmission risks to a minimum and forgoing trips outside the centre for the same. Cleaning and disinfecting measures mandated by the authorities will likewise be respected.

For more information, call 971 21 10 87 or email joventut@conselldeformentera.cat.

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