

# SKYLINE

*Magazine*

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# Welcome **SKYLINE** Magazine

*Everybody was coming back from their holidays more than one year ago and a wonderful adventure was timidly starting. This last year has been full of surprises, our students have become more than that, both students and staff have created what I like to call the Skyline family, a family that is continuously growing, in number, variety and quality.*

*It is for them that we have designed Skyline Magazine, including some of the fantastic work that our kids do everyday and we hope the adults will do likewise in the future. Our aim is to share with you how proud we are of the hard work of our family members and to give you some special articles about culture of English speaking countries as well as some news from our own city.*

*If our magazine was a TV show, this first issue would be the pilot episode, so it is up to the readers to decide if we continue, and if so, we invite you all to help us do it, giving us some feedback, ideas, what you would like to read about...*

*Personally, I would like to thank all the contributors, not only in this first issue but also in the future ones. Besides, I am truly grateful to those who trusted us from the beginning and who continue trusting us today.*

*I must also acknowledge the effort of all the people working here because without them I would not be able to get this off the ground.*

*Finally, to our readers, enjoy the magazine, we are trying to give you a tool for your English, remember that teaching you is our priority, you inspire us everyday.*

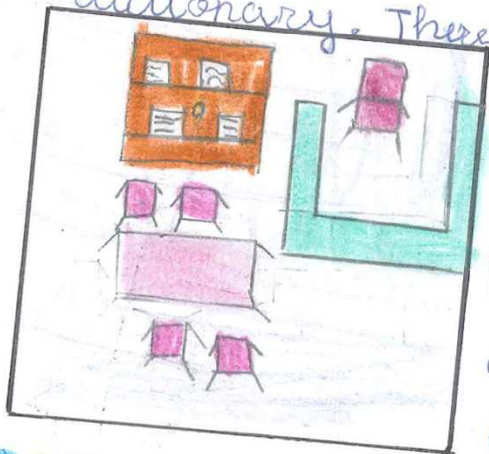
*Learn well*

*María Menéndez*  
**Skyline English Centre**

## MY ENGLISH SCHOOL

My English school is Skyline. My class is Ireland. There is one brown table. There are eleven chairs. There is one poster. My classroom is very big. My teacher is Maria. There are four girls and one boy in my classroom. There is one black dictionary. There are five books.

There are three pencilcases. There are twenty crayons.



Lidia, 8

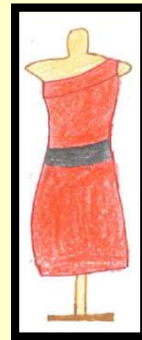
## My perfect job

I really like designing houses, so I would like to be an architect. I love creating houses and flats and also I love decorating the interior of my building.

My godfather is an architect, so I listen about this since I was a little child.

I also like designing clothes, so I would be a designer. Three years ago my parents gave me a kit for designing.

Always I draw my creations



I love singing too. I would really love to be a singer. When I was little I sang all day and sometimes my mum tells me "You learned to sing before you spoke".

When I was six years old I began to go to a choir. Now I go to the choir of my school.

I hope I become a designer, an architect or a singer!

Laura, 13



*Steve Jobs*

*Steven Paul Jobs, more known as Steve Jobs, was an American inventor. He was born in San Francisco (California) on the twenty fourth of February in 1955. He invented Apple Inc. with a friend in 1976. When he was 26 years old, he was a millionaire. In 1985 he received the technology medal.*



*In 1997 he returned to Apple because it had a problem with the money. He was the director. That summer Apple overcame Exxon. His fortune is around \$8,300 million. In 2001, Apple launched the iPod and the iTunes in 2003. His religion was Buddhism. He died on the 5<sup>th</sup> of October in 2011*

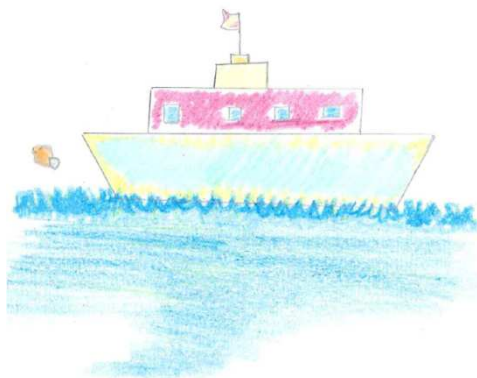
*Mario 44 GG*



## The tourist boat

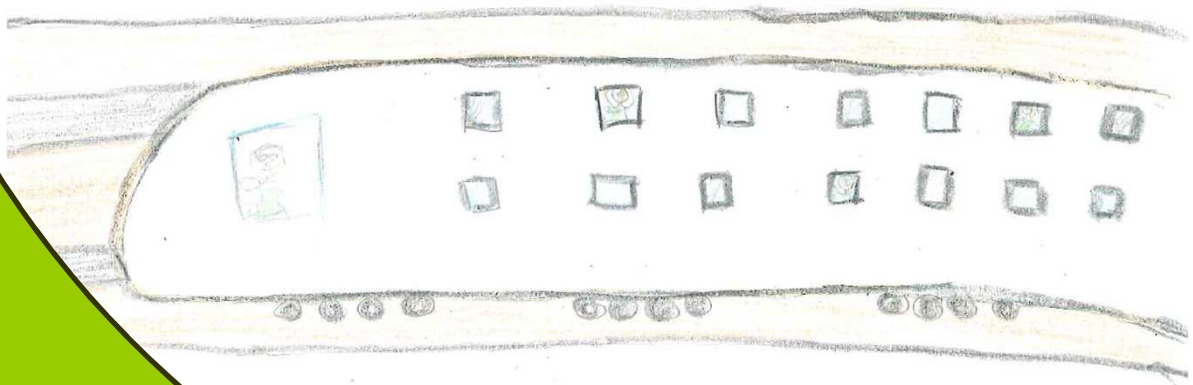
Does a touristic boat of Valladolid interest you? Try the Valladolid boat tou. It's differenc. You see a white and blue boat along the river Pisuerga. It is in the water! Yes, exciting? The boat is fantaastic. They carry 30 passengers, a driver and a guide. It's very fun. I can see the fish and ducks. The boat passes the bridge, it is fantastic. I can see the beach of Pisuerga.

Marina, 11



## East Japan Railway Co.

Japan invented the first hybrid train in Tokyo on eighth of September. The opening ceremony is performed in the Ueno station to see this new diesel, electric train. It started in Nagano on second of October. It has a Diesel engine combination and the storage lithium battery. This train is more economic and better for nature than other trains. The train not is the last hybrid train they will use in Japan. This train is fantastic!





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## Tweets of the month



**TheRock** Dwayne Johnson

"Here's to the crazy ones.. who think they can change the world.. the ones who do." - Steve Jobs (1955-2011)

6 oct



**bobsaget** bob saget

I thought my girlfriend told me I was her soul mate, but what she said was 'cell mate.'

18 de oct



**BillGates** Bill Gates

Innovation is one of the most powerful forces in the world. It can make the impossible possible. [#endmalaria](#) [b-gat.es/o0mlZW](#)

20 Oct



**TylerL\_Hoechlin** Tyler Hoechlin

Just realized that I really miss people telling me that I CAN'T do something, there's truly nothing more motivating than that.

21 de oct



**aziamyoga** AZIAM Yoga

"Be careful how you speak to your children, one day it will become their inner voice." ~ Peggy Omara [#AZIAM](#)

25 de oct



**jimmyfallon** jimmy fallon

I got a flu shot and it gave me the flu. How did I not see that coming? [#idiot](#)

27 de oct



Send us your favourite tweets  
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# News

Renault has already started the manufacture of the first full electric car, the **Renault Twizy**. Price Philip open the factory on October 17th. A manufacture of 20.000 vehicles a year is expected (according to DiCYT). This opening is particularly important for the country because it will be the only place to produce this type of car in all Europe.

The car only consumes 2.5€ /100 km in urban thoroughfare. The vehicle will be out in the market in March 2012 urban thoroughfare.



Maribel Verdú received on October 29th the **Honorary Spike Award** at the Valladolid International Film Festival after more than 25 years acting. In her speech she admitted to be very nervous but extremely grateful for being given this award.

## What to do

- ✓ Try different portions of elaborated food. The winner will be known on November 9th
- ✓ Solidarity project meeting (Feria de Valladolid) from nov. 10 to nov.12. The aim will be to exchange opportunities and projects.



- ✓ The **Pen Squad**: you can recycle your plastic pens with this initiative: [www.terracycle.es](http://www.terracycle.es)



# News

## Alonsize

### CURSO DE ASESORÍA DE IMAGEN

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PONENTE:

José Manuel Alonso "Diseñador de la firma de lujo ALONSIZE"

- ¿Quieres saber cuales son los colores y tejidos que mejor te sientan?

- ¿Y la ropa? ¿Sabes resaltar tu figura?

- Tendencias y complementos

- Descubre las últimas novedades de belleza

*Plazas limitadas*

**Fechas del curso: 19 de noviembre de 2011**

**Horario: Sábado de 10 a 14 horas**

**Lugar: Hotel Lasa Sport \*\*\*\***

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## Movie of the month

### The Adventures of Tintin: Secret of the Unicorn

It all starts when Tintin finds a ship mock-up that contains a great secret. From this point, Tintin will be taken around the world with the help of Captain Haddock and his dog Snowy. The plot is based on The Secret of the Unicorn although elements from other adventures appear. Steven Spielberg discovered Tintin back in the 80s and he started thinking about the idea of a movie. However, it hasn't been until now that both schedule and technology breakthroughs have made it possible. There is no doubt that this movie has been a technological challenge; Spielberg calls this specific technique "performance capture", first seen in Polar Express by Robert Zemeckis. The goal was not only to make a Tintin movie but also to

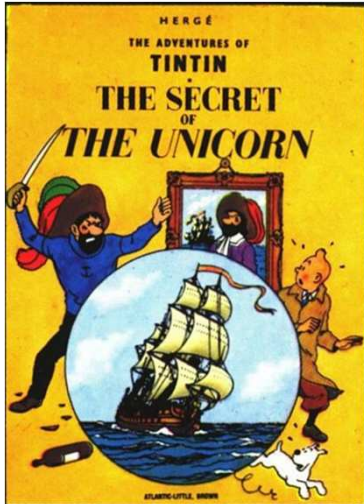


recreate Hergé's hand-to-paper art, this is why Spielberg asked Peter Jackson (Lord of the Rings) and his animation company, Weta Digital, for help.



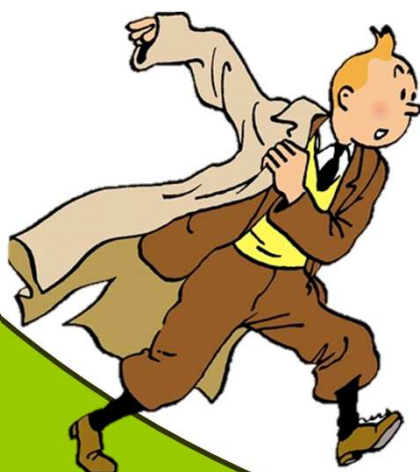


# Movie of the month



This has been quite an experience for Spielberg due to the fact that this is his first animated film as well as his first 3D production. In terms of aesthetics, the most important thing was the colour palette, when Hergé drew the comic he created the style known as *ligne claire* or clear line, making Tintin's face simple and elegant on paper.

Spielberg and Jackson wanted to show this style and they spent between two and three years developing just the face. Actually, the technological preparation took almost five years while the shooting only took 31 days. After the face was finished, they looked for an actor with, as Jackson says, "Tintinish qualities"; they found Jamie Bell whose movements and voice will be Tintin's.







# Halloween

Halloween is a holiday celebrated on October 31<sup>st</sup>. It has its origin in Ireland and the British Islands. Back in the time, the Celts considered this night to be the last of the year and the beginning of the winter.



It was a very special night, perfect for supernatural activities such as fortune telling. Legend says that the line separating the underworld and our world was blurry that night and the Lord of Darkness allowed the spirits to cross the boundary so that they could walk among us. It was believed that if the spirits saw you, you would be taken with them; as a protection, people started to wear masks that night to avoid being seen.



The origin of the name, "Halloween", comes from All Hallows-Even (evening) derived from Middle Eng. Alholowmesse (the word *hallow* refers to something sacred). This holiday was taken to America by Irish immigrants, that is why Halloween is known all over the world.

## Trick or Treat





Through the years, a lot of traditions have been created:

**Jack O'Lantern:** this is the name given to a pumpkin with a carved face and a light inside, usually these are placed in the

houses so that children know where to stop.

**Trick or treat:** children in scary costumes go from door to door asking for candy. The word *trick* refers to a practical joke on the owner of the house where they don't get their treat, that is, their candy.

**Apple bobbing:** it is a game played by filling a basin with water, placing some apples in it and trying to catch them with the players' teeth.

**Costumes:** not only children dress up this night, a lot of adults go to Halloween parties and dress up as any kind of spooky creature.



**Movie marathons:** more and more often, TV channels have their Halloween marathons, not only they put scary movies but also special programs, even for children.

**UNICEF:** since 1950 there is a campaign to raise funds for different projects. (more info: <http://youth.unicefusa.org/trickortreat/>)



# TRAVELLING CORNER



## Burgos

As I was walking along its cold streets, I could feel the importance of the city in the history of our country, from the times of Alfonso III the Great to the enlightened despotism, from the Visigoths to the Spanish Civil war. Burgos combines historical monuments with modern architecture making the city a perfect location for a cultural day trip.



The Burgos Cathedral is a must in your visit, whether you are an art fan or not, you will appreciate the construction, both the façade, inspired by the pure French Gothic style, and the treasures found inside. This magnificent building is the only Spanish cathedral declared as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. One of the greatest attractions of the building besides the architecture is the presence of the tomb of El Cid and Doña Jimena as well as a very peculiar articulated statue called the Flycatcher.



Another UNESCO World Heritage Site situated close to the city is the Archaeological Site of Atapuerca, 10 miles from this impressive location, in the city, you can visit the Museum of Human Evolution where you

can find faithful reproductions of the mountains in which you will see some of the most important human fossil finds in the world.



Burgos is a very attractive city for tourists of all ages, if you happen to go there with your children, take a ride in the touristic train that goes around the whole city explaining some interesting facts about the different areas. Perfect to go sightseeing, just one tip: wear some warm clothes!



# COOKING CORNER

## Maryland crab cakes



### Ingredients

150 g crabmeat	1 onion
3 slices sliced bread	1 teaspoon yeast
50 ml milk	Flour
1 teaspoon mayonnaise	Butter
2 eggs	Oil
50g parsley	Salt
	Pepper

### For Soho sauce

100ml mayonnaise
50 ml ketchup
20 ml Dijon mustard

Put the crabmeat in a small bowl, cover with the crumbed sliced bread and soak with half a cup of milk. In a large container thoroughly mix in the mayonnaise, eggs, parsley, chopped onion, yeast, a pinch of salt and pepper and add the soaked crab meat. Work the mixture until it becomes a homogenous paste and then split into ten discs and refrigerate for an hour. After being allowed to set, heat some teaspoons of butter and oil in a skillet over medium heat, flour the cakes and fry for four minutes or until toasted on both sides. Serve with a well-beaten sauce compiled of mayonnaise, ketchup and Dijon mustard.

Typical from Baltimore, Maryland. There is even an annual competition





# LEARNING CORNER



## IDIOMS

- ✓ **Add Fuel To The Fire:** Whenever something is done to make a bad situation even worse than it is

*If your mum is angry, don't say anything. You'll just be adding fuel to the fire.*

- ✓ **Run out of steam:** To be completely out of energy.

*Ronaldo started the game well, but he ran out of steam towards the end. He should train a little harder*

## PHRASAL VERBS

- ✓ **Show up:** Attend something or arrive somewhere

*He finally showed up at 10.00*

- ✓ **Mark up:** Increase the price of something

*They marked the bill up by 10% last month*

## IN OUR NEXT ISSUE...

- Skyline Food Race: Help us bringin some food
- Culture Corner: Guy Fawkes Night
- Movie of the month: Breaking Down: Part 1

