

The Formentera offices of education and island services report that this summer crews traversed the island to prepare local schools for returning pupils and teachers this Thursday. The work happened in response to requests from school administrative teams, parents' associations and student councils.

This year, per new pandemic protocol, the Consell de Formentera has hired additional cleaning and maintenance personnel in an effort to guarantee uninterrupted compliance with sanitary measures. Such workers will be on school grounds to disinfect facilities during class time, reinforcing the efforts of evening crews.

CEIP Mestre Lluís Andreu
With the Consell maintenace brigade setting the foundation, uneven walkways were graded near a number of outdoor play areas. Two 6x8-metre sheds, paid for by the parents' association, were installed as well—one at the northern side of the lower building, another by the upper building.

Social distancing signage was also set up, painting was touched up in the school's interior, water fountains were removed, and unsafe branches were trimmed from several trees.

CEIP Sant Ferran
Fresh paint went up outside Sant Ferran classrooms and across the school's exterior. Water fountains were taken out, fluorescent lamps were swapped out for improved lighting and work was done to free up additional spaces inside the school. Air conditioner filters will be replaced in the days ahead.

CEIP El Pilar de la Mola
New paint was applied indoors and out and repairs were performed on one of the portables. The outdoor water fountain was removed, the locks were checked (new fencing is in the works) and excess brush was removed from the garden, where a general cleanup was performed. Three-hundred metres of rope went up round the outdoor play area to separate it from

surrounding woods.

The Consell has lent canopies to the schools for use as shade-giving structures.

Cleanup and sanitising at school entrances
In the hours before classes begin tomorrow, employees of the company contracted by the Consell to oversee cleaning will disinfect and clean areas with a specific product outside school access points. The task will be repeated on the 14th ahead of the start of classes at local nurseries.

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