



APRENDO HACIENDO IN MALAGA

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AprenDo Haciendo, Learning by Doing, is the name of a new project started by Soroptimist International Costa del Sol to help schools along the Costa del Sol. The very first activity carried out by the association was inaugurated on Tuesday the 12th June 2018, at the IES Miraflores de los Angeles in Malaga to help a special needs class. Part of the school grounds has been converted into a wheelchair accessible garden so that the schoolchildren have hands-on experience with cultivation. They are already using and enjoying the garden.

“Education is one of the cornerstones of Soroptimist International,” said Amelia Martínez Hockley, president of the association. “One of the friends of our association had told us about this school that was having problems getting funds to improve classrooms and organise extra-curricular activities.”

Having visited the centre and met with the teachers, the Soroptimist members decided to build an enclosed garden so that the children had a chance to learn through cultivating their own vegetables and plants.

Two Soroptimist members, Ann Mason and Larysa Blai, obtained the help of the construction company ProMas Construction and Design SL. and financial support of the Age Care Association, and work began.

“With the collaboration of family and friends we bought fencing and started painting,” said Ann at the inauguration. “We are very grateful to Ardian (Andy) Prozhmi and his team for their design and construction work, all of which they have given for free, to help the kids in this school. We are so pleased with the way it has turned out and hope that they will enjoy it for many years to come.”

Soroptimists are professional women working together locally, nationally and internationally to educate, enable and empower women and children to improve their lives. Soroptimist International Costa del Sol is part of this international network of women with some 75,000 members in 132 countries, all working to defend the rights of women and children.

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