The Formentera Office of Culture is pleased to report that as part of this year's Sant Jaume celebrations, from 7.30pm on Thursday 21 July, The Penguins will offer a children's concert at Plaça de la Constitució in Sant Francesc. After three years and a global pandemic, the band are back with a new album, *Quadern de Bitàcola*, the fifth instalment of the family-focused *Reggae per Xics*
project.

Susana Labrador, councillor of culture, invited Formentera families to "enjoy this magnificent show and guaranteed good time for kids and parents alike". "After their last local performance and requests for them to return to liven up the festivities, we are very happy to be able to offer this concert designed especially for little ones", she said.

The new album consists of twelve songs, eight of which are originals expanding on The Penguins' contribution to pop culture. Of course, they still infuse Jamaican rhythms into the traditional repertory, staying true to the tack that previously cemented their success among family audiences. The artists call their latest release "a deep-dive into the logbook of this new and fascinating journey".

Aboard the *Calypso*, The Penguins take audiences on a series of extraordinary adventures in search of a mysterious island, apparently not on any navigational chart or map, which has suddenly popped up in the middle of the ocean. Besides discovering oceanic fauna and flora, crowds learn about the environmental consequences of living in a productive society that is still unable to manage its waste.

The group cast *Quadern de Bitàcola* as a "revival of the oceanic imaginary of Jules Verne, Hergé and Captain Nemo aboard the *Nautilus*" and say the album highlights "the infinite wealth that the oceans hold". The foolproof formula? A blend of music, rhythm, humour and education characteristic of the other
Reggae per Xics
releases. Above all, the group points up "the emotion of an unforgettable collective experience" and insist that "after this long voyage aboard an old ship, which despite being a bit rickety, is still capable of sailing the seas and navigating storms, reefs and towering waves, camaraderie and friendship are key to finding safe harbour".

The show starts at 7.30pm on Thursday 21 July in Plaça de la Constitució in Sant Francesc.

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