July 23, 2023, Denia

Dear Concha,

Please accept my sincere apologies if I caused you any pain.

Perhaps you already know, but the provocation had already started before the trumpet teacher arrived in December last year, and I suppose I gave them what they wanted, albeit in a rather unorthodox manner, and with some unexpected extras. It was a very, very stressful time for me, as intended.

For what it's worth, my Twitter account is totally anonymous and I never mentioned anyone's identifying details. Moreover, I only thought I was communicating with *one person*, and more often than that I thought I was communicating with **no one at all**! It's surely unreasonable to expect a human being not to get angry from time to time under those circumstances?

Even though I was aware I was being teased and bullied, it was very shocking to me to find out that everything I had said had been relayed to the whole world, and this had been going on for months *without my knowledge.*

They set the mob on me.

Had I known the true extent of the deception, things would have been different. There is a maturer and more immediate way to deal with a student reaching out to a teacher on social media but, evidently, my actions served a wider and more *traditional* purpose, and so they let it continue.

My hope is that it is over now, and we can all have some healing and peace.

I'm truly sorry if you or anyone else got unnecessarily hurt in the crossfire.

Please accept this little gift as a token of my affection and a request for forgiveness.

Katharine