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# TWO NEW CLASSROOMS ACROSS OUR CAMPUSES

# **EMC SCHOOL OF ARTS**

Afterschool activities start in October!



# 2024 IGCSE RESULTS 100% pass rate



**MATH** Higher Tier



**ENGLISH** First Language



**FRENCH** 



**ART** 



**ENGLISH LITERATURE** 



**SCIENCES** 

1 STUDENT ACHIEVED 100% A\*/A

#### **NEWS FROM HOY**

#### **IGCSE RESULTS**

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A third of all IGCSE examinations taken by EMC students were graded at A\*, and almost two thirds at A\*/A. One student excelled and scored A\*/A in all subjects for which they sat.

"Cheers to our school's very first IGCSE graduates! Their dedication and hard work over the time spent at EMC, along with the guidance provided by their teachers and supportive parents have led them to achieve excellence.

These students are living proof that a Montessori education is the right choice—not just for academic excellence, but for fostering essential life skills like adaptability, resilience, confidence, and the drive to reach for the stars. We couldn't be prouder of them!» said Aicha Sajid, Head of School of EMC.

Our IGCSE graduates will now progress to the A Levels in Years 12 and 13.

The IGCSE programme helps students build a strong foundation for the A Levels which is designed to give students a qualitative education and develop the skills needed for success at university and beyond.



### EMC 2024 2025

EMC has expanded with the addition of two new classrooms across our campuses.

At the Californie campus, we've unveiled a wonderful new space in the Geranium environment, designed specifically for our primary children. Meanwhile, at the Bouskoura campus, the House of Youth welcomed new students, and we're excited to introduce a new classroom for our Year 7's!

The environments have settled quite smoothly, children have delved right back into their work routines and are off to a promising school year!

























#### **EMC'S PEOPLE**

Each year, EMC continues to draw people from around the globe.

We are thrilled to welcome back the exceptional Ms. Tianka Scott Morrison, from the beautiful Jamaica, as our House of Youth coordinator and KS3 teacher.

New additions from the United Kingdom also ioined the HoY programme.

Kirsten Lashely, Head of English and Litterature

Darcy O'neill, Humanities Teacher Giash Miah, Head of Mathematics

Cristian Popa left his country, Spain, to work with our A levels Art and Design students.

Jyothisree Venugopal & Vineeth PARAMESWARAN came from India, supporting Computer science and Humanities.

in Germany after he left Australia. He is the Head of Science and extracurricular programme at HoY. Lili Testemale from France, is coguiding in the Jasmine environment at the CIL campus, and Kayla O'Drisceiol from the USA is leading Geranium in

Finally, we are pleased to work with new fellow Moroccan teachers, Assia Ammor, Ikram Elkhoyaali, Zineb Errazi who are supporting the students in French, Arabic and Sports.

EMC will say goodbye to Ms. Houda, who taught French last year at the Elementary and Secondary levels. We wish her good luck for her future endeavours.

If you want to know more about our staff, visit our website!

https://www.montessoricasablanca. com/meet-our-staff









# MS DAMMY HAD A BABY!

Congratulations to Ms Dammy for the new addition to her lovely family! While Ms. Dammy enjoys time with her beautiful baby girl, Ms. Luisa is stepping into Mimosa Moon until her return.



#### **AMI PRIMARY ORIENTATION**



The Primary Orientation Certification is an introduction and orientation to Dr. Montessori's educational pedagogy and practice to support the development of the child from 3-6 years.

This course is designed for educators, parents, caregivers, administrators, classroom assistants and anyone who is interested in human development during the child's most formative and creative period of life.

The course will highlight Montessori philosophy as well as offer practical

guidelines on how to support the child's developing potentials at home and in the classroom.

The course is 60 hours online with 25 hours synchronous and 35 hours asynchronous.

All details and admissions process here.

# GARAGE SALE BY LUNA AND MELIA'S PARENTS

This month, Lucie and Nicolas, Luna and Melia's parents, organized a garage sale, where children and adults sold and bought books and toys.

EMC thanks them for the initiative and organization of this event for EMC 's parents and the extended community.



#### PARENT EDUCATION



3-6 EMC Parent ED

Explore the key Montlessori principles and discover how you can integrate from intry your home life to create a ochesive learning experience. Learn practical stategies for lostering independence, concentration, and self-discipline in your child. This workshop emphasizes the power of parent-school partnership, offering tools for effective communication, earlier juvishment, and a shaped vision for your childres an activi-

Whether you're new to Montessori or seeking to deepen your connection with the learning process, this session will equip you with valuable insights to make a lasting innect on your chiefs educational forumes.

@CALIFORNIE : September 27th, from 4:00 to 5:00 PM

EMC has offered a workshop tailored specifically for parents, focusing on the crucial role of collaboration between home and school in Montessori education. In this session, parents gained a deeper understanding of how their involvement not only strengthens their child's academic progress, but also nurtures their emotional and social development.

Parents explored the key Montessori principles and discover how they can integrate them into their home life to create a cohesive learning experience. Practical strategies for fostering independence, concentration, and self-discipline are shared. This workshop emphasized the power of parent-school partnership, offering tools for effective communication, active involvement, and a shared vision for the child's education.

# PEACE DAY @ HOY

On September 20, 2024, House of Youth came together to honor International Peace Day by watching a powerful mini-documentary about the origins of the global peace initiative and its evolution worldwide. The film highlighted the vision of its founder and inspired us all to become advocates for peace in our community and beyond.

Students and staff dressed in white as a symbol of unity and shared commitment to peace. In a special moment, we pledged to create a peace pole project, which will be installed and surrounded by a peace garden in time for Peace Day 2025. This initiative will serve as a

lasting reminder of our dedication to promoting peace in our school and beyond.







# **HOY'S NEWSLETTER**

View the first issue of the HOY Newsletter.

# **EMC School of Arts**

#### Afterschool activities start in October!

All details on our website.



















#### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



11 OCTOBER 3-6 BOOK CLUB @CALIFORNIE



12 OCTOBER
1-3 READ & PLAY
@BLOOM BOOKS



15 OCTOBER CULTURE DAY Toddlers, Primary, Elementary



16 & 17 OCTOBER
1-12 PARENT TEACHER
CONFERENCES (NO SCHOOL)



18 OCTOBER STAFF DAY (NO SCHOOL)



21 TO 27 OCTOBER FALL BREAK (NO SCHOOL)



29 OCTOBER
1-3 PARENT ED
@CALIFORNIE & CIL



5 NOVEMBER
ELEMENTARY
GREEN MARCH CELEBRATION



6 NOVEMBER GREEN MARCH DAY (NO SCHOOL)



9 NOVEMBER SILENT JOURNEY (PARENTS)



12 NOVEMBER 1-3 READING CLUB @CALIFORNIE & CIL



15 NOVEMBER 3-6 PARENT ED @CALIFORNIE & CIL



18 NOVEMBER INDEPENDENCE DAY (NO SCHOOL)



22 NOVEMBER 6-12 PARENT ED @CALIFORNIE



25 to 29 NOVEMBER ELEMENTARY
ASSESSMENT PREPARATION



2 to 6 DECEMBER ELEMENTARY
ASSESSMENT WEEK



12 DECEMBER
1-3 PARENTS & KIDS
COOKING WORKSHOP



16 & 17 DECEMBER HOY PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES



COMMUNITY
WINTER WONDERLAND



20 DECEMBER TO 05 JANUARY (NO SCHOOL)

All the important dates for this school year can be found on KEY DATES page of our website. Check it regularly!