



Parent conferences

Parent-Teacher conferences were held for the toddler, primary, and elementary environments. These conferences are a wonderful opportunity to learn about what a typical day at school is like for your child, develop stronger connections with your child's teachers, and gain insights into your child's development. By participating in these conferences, you are showing your child that you are interested in what happens at school.

You also are modeling the importance of open communication, and you are building the bridge between home and school to promote your child's success as a student.

This year marked EMC's first parent-teacher conferences involving the students at the elementary level. Their participation in the conferences has empowered them with the responsibility of taking ownership of their learning process. They have discussed their challenges and successes, any area of support they need (academic, social, and emotional), and have defined their personal goals with their parents and teachers as partners in their educational journey.

Warm Welcome to Ms. Elena!

Our Mimosa team has officially welcomed a new staff member this week. Ms. Elena has extensive experience as a Montessori Guide since 2007, and we are delighted our students will benefit from her wide range of skills and knowledge.



Ms. Elena will be based in Mimosa Sun, yet will be supporting students in both elementary environments in different capacities.

We wish her a warm welcome to EMC!

Lesley is back in town!

We are delighted to greet Lesley Ann Patrick, EMC's Adolescent Consultant and Trainer.

Lesley will be supporting our adolescents and their parents for the next couple of months. We are truly grateful for her utmost dedication to the wellbeing of our students and the adolescent program as a whole.



Observations open in the Elementary

The elementary guides have been working extremely hard to get the students settled into a peaceful routine rhythm by a momentum of hard work and perseverance to achieve higher standards. We are delighted to open the doors of our elementary environments for observation starting the month of November. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to experience first-hand how learning unfolds in a Montessori environment. You are welcome to book an appointment [here](#).

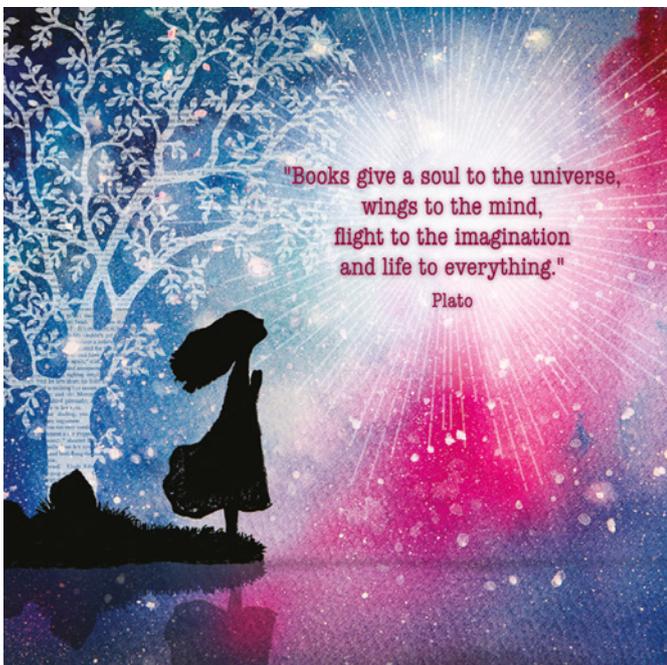


Moroccan History

November represents an important month in Morocco's historical blueprints. Discussions will be held with our elementary and secondary students about the history of the Morocco's Green March and its steps towards independence.

EMC Book Resource Center

We are in the process of building a book resource center to enrich our selection of books to read and use for research projects. Thank you to our parent community for all your contributions this year. The guides and the elementary students are checking out books to bring into the environments and ensure a nice selection is rotated regularly. Ms. Kheezran is our designated librarian.



English at the Primary Level

The focus this year is to elevate the mastery of the English language at the primary level. To achieve this objective our guides and assistants are equipped with quality resources to support the language enrichment. In addition, the children who would benefit from extra exposure are offered targeted instruction offered by Ms Kheezran. We are in the process of evaluating this new approach and will adjust based on the outcomes. In order to achieve the desired outcomes in English, we are holding off the French and Arabic instruction at the primary level for the moment.

Parent Education

The start of the school year has been dedicated to and focused on our children. Our team has worked extremely hard to settle them into their environments, and ensure they are off to a strong start towards a productive school year. Parent partnership and alignment with our school vision and values is an essential element for our childrens' success. This is why we offer a rich parent education program at EMC. We kindly ask our parents to make their attendance to any workshops offered a high priority in their calendars. We cannot stress enough on the importance of these opportunities to deepen your understanding of the Montessori approach and our collaboration as parents and educators.

In the meantime, you are welcome to consult *The Montessori Dictionary* to get acquainted with the Montessori jargon.

Safeguarding at EMC

EMC commits to act in the best interest of its pupils and staff members. We recognise our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all pupils. We endeavour to provide a safe and welcoming environment where pupils are respected and valued. We are alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow our procedures to ensure that pupils receive effective support, protection and justice.





EMC believes that our responsibility as a school is to keep our pupils, young adults, and adults safe. We take into account each member of our community's sensitivities and needs, and protect them from all types of harm and abuse.

The safeguarding meetings have started at the Elementary level this week. The DSL has had very interesting conversations with the groups of students about how to stay safe at school and outside school, primarily by identifying the types of abuse that could be encountered or witnessed.

It was very pleasant to witness that the returning Elementaries had a very good grasp of the subject. The discussion was interactive and the children were able to differentiate between abuse and bullying, and knew exactly what to do in case they were in an uncomfortable situation.

The youngest children participated as well to the conversation and brought valuable examples to the discussion. They have identified Leila as the DSL and understood that she would be ready to assist and help them in case of need. The children know that they are able to leave notes to the DSL, or request a meeting anytime. A letterbox is being installed in each environment so that the children can feel more comfortable leaving notes should they prefer.

Conscious Days MIMOSA - GOING OUTS

Insurance. Drought. Wheat alternatives. Sustainable products. The 1.5 hours spent at Digiassur office were surely filled with valuable information that we perhaps wouldn't usually imagine discussing with Elementary-aged children. "I protect myself, I protect my community, I protect my planet" - these were the three underlying themes of our visit.

It was heartwarming and amusing to watch the children engage with the various activities and conversations with the welcoming staff at the office. Having the opportunity to engage with adults who they are not familiar with around meaningful topics definitely brought out a confidence in them. They were participating, as individuals, in life beyond their home and school life.

Thank you to Digiassur Staff for their warm welcome and interesting workshops!



Some pictures of the daily life of our environments



Mark your Calendars !



Work Cycle Meeting for HoY Parents

November 9th • 3:00 - 4:00 pm @ HoY

Primary Language Workshop

November 10th

5:00 - 6:00 pm @ Californie Campus & CIL Campus

Independence & Practical Considerations for 1-3 year old children

November 15th

8:15 - 9:00 am @ Californie Campus

2:15 - 3:00 pm @ CIL Campus

How can families incorporate academic skills and knowledge in everyday life?

Elementary Workshop

November 15th • 5:00 - 6:00 pm @ Californie Campus

Staff Day

November 17th - No school

Independence Day

November 18th - No school

Independence & Practical Considerations for 3-6 year old children

November 21st

5:00 – 6:00 pm @ Californie Campus & CIL Campus

