

Compass International School Opens Madinat Khalifa Campus

Compass International School Doha will be opening a new campus at Madinat Khalifa for the new school year on 19 September 2010. In just over four years since opening, Compass International School has grown to almost 600 students.

This additional campus in Madinat Khalifa is for students aged 4 to 14 and will expand to provide complete secondary provision within the next few years.

Compass International School Doha enjoys an excellent reputation built on the success of the primary school programme at the current Gharaffa site. There are several reasons for its success as Head of School, John Todd explains: “The quality of learning is central to everything we do. Students in all of our primary classes learn with the award-winning International Primary Curriculum (IPC); a curriculum that is used in 1000 schools in 51 countries around the world. This choice of curriculum has resulted in happy, engaged and motivated students of all abilities who want to learn and who learn in a skills-based and very relevant way. What’s also really important for all our students is that the IPC has international-mindedness embedded throughout the learning so that students learn in a global way. That means that wherever our students may come from, the learning they do at Compass International School is relevant to them in their home country and during the time they are here in Doha.”

Compass International School Doha is part of a wider group of schools within the World Class Learning (WCL) Group; an organization that aims to develop learning-focused schools through curriculum, assessment and evaluation, professional development of teachers and through school management. As a result, Compass is uniquely placed for growth supported by a recognized and respected organization with a significant breadth of understanding of international education and of student learning. Chief Executive of the WCL Group, Marcel van Miert says: “Compass International School’s new campus is part of our long term commitment to offer outstanding learning to families in Qatar. We

are delighted with this new opportunity and look forward to continued growth over the next few years. The government of Qatar has a forward-looking policy on education and we are very pleased to be able to support this.”

The growth of Compass includes increased places for primary students as well as the expansion of the new secondary school. This expansion involves a large investment in the hiring of experienced staff and in the planning of on-going staff training to build on the very strong, learning-focused team already established. The secondary school will follow the UK national curriculum including the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE). The plan is to extend the secondary programme over the next few years and to offer the highly acclaimed International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) for 16 to 18 year olds, ensuring the very best opportunities for progress into higher education at universities and colleges all over the world.

Considered to be the most international school in Doha, Compass International School caters for students of different abilities and also offers support for students learning English. “The IPC enables all of our students to become actively engaged,” adds John Todd. “It addresses multiple intelligences and a variety of learning styles meaning that every single child can participate and gain from the IPC approach. In addition our specialist team ensures that every child at Compass receives the best possible support.”

Applications for all classes from aged 4 to 14 are now being accepted for September. For more information go to www.cisdoha.com or call Compass International School Doha at +974 44877445.