
Swiss International Scientific School in Dubai Offers Dubai's First Waterfront Education

- *Reminiscent of Europe, the school boasts Dubai's first school boat house*
- *After School Activities activities are key to pupils achieving academic success*
- *Computer coding, a skill for tomorrow's generation, and an environmental awareness programme is on offer at the first low energy consuming school*
- *As SISD are at 60% of their target admissions figure for the upcoming 2015/2016 academic year*

May 19th 2015, Dubai UAE – The Swiss International Scientific School in Dubai (SISD) – *Dubai's first ever private school to offer multilingual education in French, German, English, Arabic* – is pleased to announce that it will be the first school in Dubai to boast unique access to Dubai Creek with a state-of-the-art Boat Club, offering students water sport activities such as sailing, rowing, paddle boarding and canoeing. Opening its doors to the first students in September 2015, SISD will cater to all tastes and preferences with a stable of After School Activities (ASA) including sports and the arts. In today's competitive society, children are often made to study continuously by parents and teachers alike, but to achieve the best academic results; SISD advocates a balance of work and recreation to give pupils the best chances of success.

SISD Coordinator of After School Activities, Benjamin Cassaigne, said ASA played an important role in children's education by helping them to discover and nurture their own unique talents: *"The SISD leadership team is thrilled for new students and their families who will be the beneficiaries of SISD's robust ASA offering; most notably the unique opportunity to enjoy water sports given our direct access to Dubai Creek. Our brand new boat house will be reminiscent of Cambridge and Oxford grounds, where students can actively participate in sailing, rowing paddle boarding and canoeing – with more water sports to come in the future. It's an advantage we're proud to offer, and a feature which sets us apart from many other schools in Dubai. At SISD we're of the firm belief that it's important to allow children to try many different activities - sporty, creative, scientific and cultural - in order to find themselves and gain varied skills. It also helps with the development of their personality and self-confidence – we aren't fostering book worms and as the proverb says 'all work and no play makes Jack and dull boy.'"*

There will be an internal and external SISD ASA programme; the former will be run by the teachers and built in to the school fees, will include: French, German and Italian club, book club, environmental awareness, music band, hockey, badminton, netball, among others. The external ASA program will be run by prestigious external providers and will include activities such as: water sports, swimming, football, dancing, tennis, martial arts, theatre, chess, robotics, 3D printing, mad science and skill for today's generation, computer coding. The school's environmental awareness ASA program reflects its commitment to sustainability: SISD will also carry the Swiss "Minergie" label, which is awarded to low-energy consumption buildings. SISD will be the Middle East's first low-energy building in the education space, consuming one third of the energy of standard buildings.

Head of School Beat Sommer SISD commented: *“We are continuing to report strong admissions for the approaching 2015-2016 academic year, with 210 students now enrolled and over 320 applications since opening for admissions in early February 2015; which is 60% of their target number. We have seen admissions increasing as we approach the new academic year, owing to our unique linguistic offering, and unrivalled out of school activities. Upon opening in August, SISD will be diversifying the education landscape, contributing to Dubai as an education hub and fostering a mature community of culturally intelligent multi-lingual students.”*

For more information on Swiss International Scientific School Dubai, visit www.sisd.ae

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About

SISD

The Swiss International Scientific School in Dubai (SISD), based in Dubai Healthcare City (DHCC), will be a leading international boarding school where future generations are inspired to become confident and enthusiastic life-long learners, ready to embrace the opportunities and challenges in a global world. SISD provides an inspiring and challenging learning environment whilst celebrating academic excellence. Students are encouraged to become successful, global minded, enthusiastic life-long learners who will confidently take advantage of future opportunities and help to make a difference. Together with the teaching staff and parents, students are supported to fully develop their potential in a motivating multi-lingual, international learning environment.

Students of SISD will enjoy a multi-lingual education through the Swiss-founded International Baccalaureate (IB) continuum program. Students will learn in three bilingual sections with English-French, and English-German or English with Arabic and other foreign languages on

offer. In Grade 9, students will have the option to move into the Swiss Matura set and graduate with a bilingual Matura.

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