

Press Release

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Queen's International School Qatar Achieves COBIS (Compliance) Membership Status

Queen's International School Qatar is delighted to announce that it has achieved membership of the Council of British International Schools (COBIS) following a rigorous compliance and evaluation process.



COBIS (Council of British International Schools) is a UK-based, not-for-profit global membership association that supports, connects and quality-assures British international schools around the world.

Achieving COBIS membership is an important milestone for Queen's Qatar and reflects the school's commitment to high standards, safeguarding, student wellbeing and continuous improvement.

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As part of the membership process, Queen's underwent a detailed three-day review, during which the visiting COBIS team met with school leaders and members of the wider school community and reviewed practice across key areas including safeguarding and safer recruitment, student welfare, facilities, governance, ethos and values.

The resulting report was overwhelmingly positive, recognising the strength of the culture and community that Queen's has established since opening.

Key Strengths Highlighted by COBIS

The COBIS report highlighted the strong culture and sense of community that have developed at Queen's in a relatively short period of time. As a new and rapidly growing school, Queen's was praised for embracing the challenge of establishing a positive culture and ensuring that its ethos, values and commitment to wellbeing have remained firmly embedded throughout its growth. The visiting team found that community and care were consistently identified by students, staff and families as being at the heart of what makes Queen's special.

Safeguarding was recognised as a particular strength, with the Queen's school community commended for its commitment to providing the highest standards of care and protection for students. This was reflected in daily school life, where the visiting team observed calm and happy children engaged in their learning, enjoying break and lunchtimes and moving sensibly and confidently around the campus.

The report also commended the senior leadership team for creating, sustaining and developing a caring community that supports the wellbeing of students, families and staff. Parents spoke especially warmly about the sense of community at Queen's, identifying it as one of the main reasons for choosing the school and valuing the many opportunities for the whole family to become part of school life, from Parent Association activities to family groups and access to school facilities.

High expectations were another consistent feature of the report. School leaders were praised for successfully embedding positive behaviour for learning as the school has grown. Clear expectations, including the Queen's Student Code of Conduct, together with age-appropriate systems of rewards and sanctions, have helped to create an environment in which students understand what is expected of them and are supported to flourish.

The school's mission, vision and values were also recognised as a significant strength. Rather than simply being statements, the visiting team found them to be understood, owned and embedded by the whole school community and evident in the daily life of Queen's. This was complemented by an innovative approach to the curriculum that provides students with both engagement and challenge while remaining closely aligned with the school's values.

Beyond the classroom, COBIS recognised Queen's commitment to broadening students' horizons through an expanding range of local, sporting and international opportunities, alongside the increasing role of student voice in shaping future experiences.

The learning environment itself was also highly praised, with Artemis Education commended for developing a beautiful and thoughtfully designed campus that provides a safe, welcoming and inspiring environment for students and staff alike.

Taken together, the findings reflect a school that has grown rapidly while remaining true to the culture on which it was founded: a community where students feel safe and happy, families feel welcomed and involved, expectations are high, and learning and wellbeing remain at the heart of school life.

A Significant Milestone

Mrs Ann Djedid, Founding Principal of Queen's International School Qatar, commented: *"I am delighted that Queen's International School Qatar is now a member school of COBIS. This is a significant milestone for our school and an important recognition of our commitment to high standards, continuous improvement and a truly international education. The rigorous evaluation process has provided valuable opportunities for reflection and development, while COBIS membership gives our staff access to high-quality CPD, professional networks and the latest thinking and strategies in education. We look forward to strengthening our links with the global COBIS community, learning from others and continuing to enhance the educational experience we provide for every student."*

Continuing Our Journey

For Queen's Qatar, achieving COBIS membership is both a recognition of the progress the school has made and an important part of its ongoing journey of improvement.

Building on the strengths recognised through the COBIS compliance process, the school will continue to develop and embed high-quality practice while benefiting from the professional development, collaboration and international connections that membership of the global COBIS community provides.

Queen's International School Qatar looks forward to the next stage of its development, continuing to provide an ambitious, caring and high-quality British international education in which every student is encouraged to discover their greatness.

About Queen's Qatar

Queen's Qatar is a leading British international school located in Al Markhiya, Doha, Qatar. The school provides a world-class education for students from FS1 through to Sixth Form.

Established in 2024, the school delivers the National Curriculum of England within a nurturing, inclusive and high-achieving learning environment. Guided by its ethos of *"Discover Your Greatness"*, Queen's Qatar adopts a holistic "Whole Child" approach that develops not only academic excellence, but also character, resilience, integrity and social responsibility. With a commitment to empowering students to become purposeful, proactive and passionate global citizens.

The school combines outstanding teaching, state-of-the-art facilities and a strong sense of community to prepare young people for success in higher education and beyond.

About Artemis Education

Artemis Education is a growing international schools' group with a clear mission: to expand access to outstanding, high-quality education. The group is dedicated to delivering exceptional, whole-child learning experiences that combine academic rigour with rich, dynamic extracurricular opportunities.

At the heart of Artemis Education is a commitment to universal values, individual growth, and holistic development - empowering students to realise their full potential, build resilience, and become responsible global citizens.

Its schools bring together exceptional educators, inspiring purpose-built environments, and innovative technology that enhances teaching and learning. Many Artemis campuses are designed and developed from the ground up, creating next-generation learning spaces tailored to the needs of modern students.

Sustainability is central to both campus design and day-to-day operations, reflecting a long-term commitment to responsible growth. With an ambitious expansion strategy, Artemis Education continues to meet the rising demand for premium international education across Europe and the Middle East. <http://www.artemis-education.com/>

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