Eupheus International School – Loulé



Welcome Back to School Newsletter 2022 / 2023

It has been an exciting start to the new school year, and Eupheus school life is certainly already in full swing. It has been wonderful to welcome so many new students to the Eupheus family.

All of our students and teachers, both old and new, have settled into their new classes seamlessly, and we have all shared an action-packed start to the new school year.



Our Induction Week

Our unique start to the school year began with our student inspired Eupheus Induction Week. It provided all of our students with a range of opportunities to develop their freethinking skills, experience diverse learning strategies and explore each area of the curriculum in a creative way. All of our students enjoyed the range of learning activities prepared for them by our inspirational teaching Our students faculty. have seamlessly settled into their new

Classes, and it has been heartwarming to observe all of the new friendships being made throughout the school.



All of the classes took on the `Bug Hotel' challenge with great enthusiasm and collaborated to create some truly inspiring creations.





Each class has also designed and made their own symbolic Eupheus owl, which will be displayed in our Music room. This unique parliament of owls brings together the whole school in our first collaborative project.



Induction week concluded with our whole school excursion to Quinta Do Lago Lake. This was a truly memorable day for our students and teachers. Everyone enjoyed a wide range of activities at Artur's Water sports. These included kayaking, pedalos, canoes and inflatables. Both our students and teachers clearly enjoyed the day and amazing memories were made. http://arturwatersportsacademy.pt



House Team Selection

House Teams



House Teams encourage the students to work together and collaborate as a team to collect house points. This system aims to encourage a sense of pride and achievement, and fosters community spirit. House points are awarded for academic achievement, model behaviour at school and acts of kindness. House points will be collected by the House Captains, and a weekly winner will be announced during Friday's celebration assembly.





In keeping with the spirit of the ancient Greek origin of our school's name, our House Teams are represented by eminent Greek Gods and Goddesses:

- Athena Goddess of Wisdom and Courage represents Red House.
- Zeus King of the Gods and God of the Sky is the Yellow House God.
- Gaia Mother of the Earth depicts our Green House.

 Poseidon – God of the Sea symbolises our Blue House God.

Aided by our Eupheus sorting owl, the students' teams were announced, and judging by the smiles on the students faces, the correct choices had been made!

Pre-School

It has been extremely exciting to start the school year with our new Pre-School teachers and children under the guidance of Educadora, Patricia Cardoso. Our youngest children have all settled in extremely well and have had a very interactive induction into the new school year.



Eupheus School Curriculum

With our Induction Week concluded, the students now begin embracing the academic school year. As an International School in Portugal, we are delighted to be a Cambridge accredited - Cambridge Assessment International School. Eupheus follows the world-renowned Cambridge Pathway, which is part of the University of Cambridge. At Eupheus we develop learners who are:

 confident in working with information and ideas – their own and those of others responsible for themselves, responsive to and respectful of others

• reflective and developing their ability to learn

• innovative and equipped for new and future challenges

• engaged intellectually and socially, ready to make a difference.

https://www.cambridgeinternational. org/

Extra-Curricular Activities

This year we are pleased to be extending our after-school activities. These activities will take place between 4pm and 5pm.



Music - one to one Music lessons can be taken with our professional music teacher, Mrs Francis, and Dr. Francis. They offer a wide variety of musical instruments to learn. Please contact Mrs Francis directly via email <u>cmusicagency@gmail.com</u> to find out more about our extracurricular music lessons.



Karate - lessons will be run by Shihan Pedro Morgado, who is a fully qualified professional 6th dan Karate Shitorya instructor. Please contact Pedro directly via email <u>usrp.geral@gmail.com</u> to enrol for Karate.



Tennis – Nabil Lababedi (Coach Nabs) is a former Great Britain top 20 player. We are delighted to announce that Nabil, a world class coach and player, will join us this year to provide tennis lessons for students in Year 2 -Year 5.

Please contact Coach Nabs directly on +351 914072910 to receive more information.

We are incredibly pleased to be able to host such a range of high-quality extracurricular activities at Eupheus.

Friends of Eupheus

At Eupheus we believe that parental participation in our school enhances the experience of school life for all. We see the Friends of Eupheus as an inclusive organisation with a mission to make the school a better place for all of our children. Eupheus aims to bring together parents, teachers, and children to strengthen the school and to raise funds for our local community. Therefore, we would like to invite all interested parents to become part of our Friends of Eupheus beginning with a meeting Thursday 29th on September at 3pm in the Music Room. This meeting will focus on our

first joint venture the `Eupheus Christmas Bazaar` which will take place on Saturday 19th November.

All of our students have made and enjoyed a truly innovative and inspired start to the new school year at Eupheus. We all look forward to our student's flourishing throughout the year in all aspects of school life.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents for their support and help in ensuring such a smooth and successful start to what promises to be a truly productive year ahead.

We look forward to an incredibly successful Eupheus future together.

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 5th October – Public Holiday

Thursday 27th October – Parents Evening - Details to follow

Friday 28th October – Halloween Celebrations – Details to Follow

Friday 28th October – Half Term Holidays

Monday 7th November –

Back to School Saturday 19th November – Eupheus Christmas Bazaar Save the Date - Details to Follow

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