



SOUTH HORIZONS CAMPUS UPDATE

Dear South Horizons Parents,

As we move forward into the 2022-23 school year, we have made the difficult decision to reduce the number of Casa dei Bambini classes at the South Horizons Campus from 5 to 4. This move is to better ensure each class has a strong cohort of each year level, which is so vital in the Montessori multi-age environment. This reduction is necessary for the coming year to ensure a healthy mix of children with a balance of ages in each class.

At the same time, we are fortunate to have great stability in our Casa dei Bambini faculty going into next year with all staff returning, with the exception of Ms Jolly, who is planning to spend more time back in Canada after several years of leading the Antarctica Class.

With the above factors in mind, in addition to class by class re-enrollment numbers and classroom locations, we have ultimately decided that the best arrangement is to “retire” the Antarctica Class for the time being, with the Antarctica children joining other classes, and for the South America Class to move into the Antarctica location to keep the classes in proximity to one another. We will send additional communications to Antarctica and South America parents with further details.

Over the history of IMS, we have at times added new classes but also merged classes where needed. Our ability to do this dynamically has only been possible because of our high retention rate, AMI training support opportunities for IMS faculty, and recruitment of quality AMI classroom teachers. As a Montessori school, we do our utmost to provide a consistent experience for our children during each 3-year cycle. Though the impact of the pandemic and other events has made these efforts more challenging in recent times, please know that we will continue to do our very best to provide stability for your child and furnish them with an exemplary learning environment throughout their time in our care.

Warmest Regards,

Karin Ann and Anne Sawyer
School Founders