



At an EAQUALS school

Teaching: is enjoyable and planned for the needs of children. Your child will make progress with well qualified and experienced teachers and will enjoy learning.

Course programmes: the courses are designed to meet the needs of children and young people, and you will be informed about what your child is doing and learning in class

Legal requirements: you can be sure that the institution is trustworthy and your child will be looked after and supervised.

Truthfulness: all information published or sent to you states clearly what will be

EAQUALS accreditation, includes guided self-assessment and regular external inspections using criteria developed by specialists over many years. The assessment focuses on the school-in-action, the learning experiences of the children.

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Quality in Language Learning

Choosing a Language School for your Children - A Guide for Parents

- ★ As a parent, you want the best for your children - the best in life, the best opportunities, the best education.
- ★ Learning and being able to communicate in other languages, and feeling comfortable in other cultures is the key to becoming a citizen of the modern world.



How do you choose a language school and a language course for your child?

1. First of all, you need to know if the school is a safe place for children and how they will be looked after.

Good language schools take care to put safety and security first, and to provide a healthy environment.

2. You need to check whether the teachers and other staff are properly trained and qualified.

Good schools choose teachers who have been trained to teach the language in question. They do not need to be 'native speakers' of the language. Some of the best language teachers have learnt the language themselves. Good schools also provide additional training for them.

3. You need to be sure that the language course your child is taking is well planned and well organised. Ask the school about the aims of the course, the methods and books the teachers will use.

Good schools ensure that language courses are designed to meet the needs and interests of the students, and that each lesson is stimulating.

4. You need to be confident that the school is checking on the attendance and progress of each student.

Good schools make sure their teachers and administrative staff know how each child is progressing and whether they are participating well in every lesson.

5. You need to know that the school is well managed, that the information you receive is truthful and complete, and that the school is asking you and your child for your opinion about the course and about the progress your child is making.

Good schools state openly what they offer and ask for feedback on the courses.

