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### NEW DORM BUILDING WITH A LIBRARY AND CLASSROOM OPENS AT EMIS

With a generous donation from the Leon Charney family, EMIS and HaKfar HaYarok built a new state-of-the-art dorm building that houses 70 students, has two classrooms, a learning-support center and staff accommodation. The library holds quality books given as donations from the students, in addition to around 300 books from the school.



#### THE LEON CHARNEY CENTER FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION OPENS

Leon Charney is a famed name n the world of business and media, hosting a TV show that bears his name, in addition to being involved in the Israel-Egypt Camp David accords as an advisor to Jimmy Carter. His legacy of peace and conflict resolution is brought to EMIS through the newly established Resolution Center that bears his name.

### Dear EMIS Friends and Supporters,

EMISnews is EMIS's newsletter, meant to keep you updated on the school, its students, staff and the progress of its mission.

Enclosed please find the new EMIS brochure and the new documentary video at this link.

### EMISTWO-DAY SCHOOL TRIPTO The North of Israel

All of EMIS students and staff went on a two-day field trip to the Galil region and Sea of Galilei. Other than hiking, and a sports-filled evening, we were hosted by a Druze family in Usfiyeh village for lunch and cultural immersion.

# YUCUPAS: THE FIRST EMIS YOUTH CONFERENCE For peace and sustainability

The first Youth Conference for Peace and Sustainability in the Middle East was hosted by EMIS and the HaKfar HaYarok in early December. Guest schools from Gaza, Israel and East Jerusalem were invited for 3 days to EMIS to experience the atmosphere and were hosted by students.

The conference featured eleven workshops on the topics of the conference, panels and guest speakers and was a also a platform for launching joint projects between the schools, merging peace and sustainability. The conference ended with an upcycled clothing fashion show.

Next year's conference plans to invite schools from all over the world in a joint mission for peace and sustainability in the world.





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## **ESP PROGRAM LAUNCHED**

### ESP = ENTREPRENEURSHIP, SUSTAINABILITY AND PEACE

EMIS' innovative ESP program was lunched with our DP1 students (first years) attending an annual course on entrepreneurship led by Tel Aviv University's Startup Center and sessions, related to peace/conflict resolutions and environmental/sustainability issues. Later this year, ,the students will develop projects they want to work on in their second year. Those who choose so will continue after graduation on to a "gap-year" where they will implement their acquired knowledge and experience in a socially oriented project aimed to make a difference. ESP is an integral part of EMIS' CAS (Creativity, Action, Service) component of the IB.

### EMIS ECOPEACE CAS STUDENTS ORGANIZE A MARCHFOR CLIMATE-CHANGE AWARENESS AS PART OF THE INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE AWARENESS DAY

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On the 27th of November, Tel Aviv hosted a Climate Change March, raising awareness for the problems of the current climate changes on the environment. As part of the EcoPeace CAS, initiative who means to bring together communities in Israel, Palestine and Jordan for environmental collaboration, EMIS students supervised the organization of the march and built a massive green heart out of sustainable materials.

The event was joined by thousands of people, marching together in solidarity also for the Paris attacks. In addition, EMIS organized a band performance from the EMIS Band and speeches in 3 languages (Hebrew, Arabic and English).

## **EMIS MUN GOES TO PORTUGAL**



A delegation of 10 EMIS students from the CAS programme got the chance to participate for the first time in IMUN, a 3-day MUN conference in Lisbon, Portugal organized by the Carlucci American International School of Lisbon. The conference held delegations from 22 schools coming from 14 countries in Europe and the Middle East and debated topics such as the refugee crisis, women rights and more.

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