



## Mar Qardakh International School



### Coordinator's Corner

As we celebrate the joyous occasion of Easter, I extend my best wishes to all of you for a blessed and happy Easter holiday. This season of renewal and hope is a time for reflection, gratitude, and celebration of our faith.

As educators, it is our privilege and responsibility to lead by example and guide our students on their spiritual journey. Through music, prayers, and reflections, we aimed to instill in them the true essence of our Catholic identity – a foundation built on kindness, empathy, and reverence.

Our second Easter concert was a testament to the dedication, talent, and spirit of our students. Witnessing them learn and sing hymns in the old Chaldean language was deeply moving and a beautiful representation of our rich Chaldean heritage. It reminded us of the importance of planting the roots of our faith and identity in the hearts of our students, nurturing them to be leaders guided by compassion, faith, and love.

May the blessings of Easter continue to guide us, strengthen our bonds, and inspire us to live with purpose and integrity.



# Early Years Easter Festivities

## Coloring Eggs

During this festive occasion, our students gathered to engage in the timeless tradition of coloring Easter eggs. From vibrant hues to intricate designs, each egg was a unique work of art, showcasing the creativity and imagination of our students.

The event was not just about coloring eggs; it was an opportunity for our young learners to express themselves artistically, explore colors, and enhance their fine motor skills.



## Celebrating Mother's Day

This month mothers had the opportunity to engage in delightful crafts alongside their children, exploring their artistic talents and creating beautiful keepsakes together. From colorful paintings to handmade cards, the possibilities were endless as we embraced the joy of crafting as a family.

We believe that such activities play a crucial role in nurturing strong bonds and creating lasting memories. Quality time spent together not only strengthened the parent-child relationship but also enhanced a child's cognitive development, creativity, and emotional well-being.



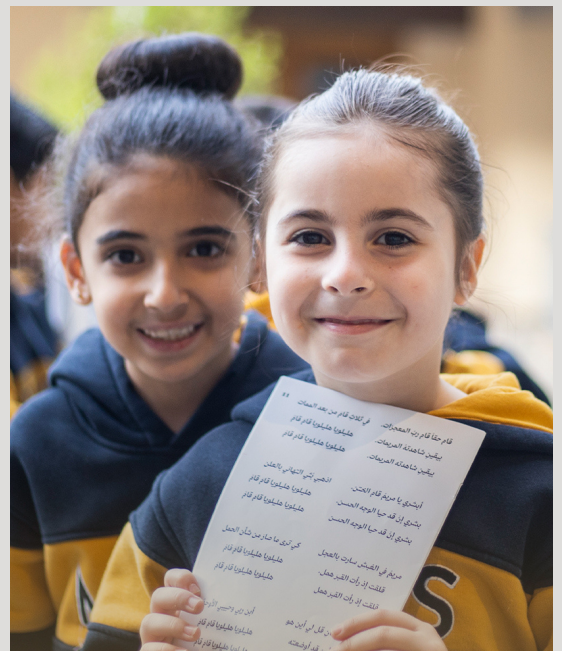


# MQIS Second Easter Concert



We are delighted to share the success of our second Easter concert where students from PYP 2 to PYP 5 showcased their musical talents and dedication. Over the past two months, they practiced hymns in English, Arabic, and the Chaldean language, embodying our commitment to embracing cultural diversity.

The concert was a vibrant celebration of our school's cultural heritage, with students performing hymns that resonate with ancient traditions and values. We were honored to have esteemed guests in attendance, including His Excellency Mark Stroh, U.S. Consul General to Erbil, His Excellency Michele Camerota, Italian Consul General to Erbil, and Ms. Sara Salahaddin, CEO of Vision Education. Their presence added to the significance of the event and inspired our students to shine on stage.



**"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."  
John 3:16**





# A Day of Cultural Harmony



## TRADITIONAL KURDISH DAY

A vibrant tapestry of colors and cultural heritage adorned the halls of MQIS on Kurdish Traditional Day. Students came dressed in exquisite Kurdish attire, showcasing the beauty and diversity of Kurdish culture.



## HOW IT WENT?

Throughout the day, various activities and performances honored different cultures. Students participated in storytelling sessions, sharing tales of Kurdish folklore and performing different songs.



One of the highlights of the event was the cultural performances, where students showcased traditional Kurdish dances and music. The rhythmic beats and graceful movements captivated the audience, creating an atmosphere of joy and unity.