Istanbul International Community School
Istanbul, Turkey

Istanbul International Community School is a school of around 500 students who have been using Faria Education Group’s suite of products since 2011, gradually evaluating and implementing additional modules over the years. The school now uses all products as part of our Unified Family Experience; namely ManageBac for all IB programmes with Reports and Attendance, OpenApply for Admissions, and SchoolsBuddy for Activities Management, Payments and more.

Initially starting with ManageBac, the school wanted a single solution for managing their IB programmes that allowed all of their day-to-day teaching and learning requirements to be performed in one system and to move away from paper, improving the teachers’, students’ and parents’ experience.

They then made the decision to add OpenApply, which supported them in moving the most paper-intensive department, Admissions, towards a similar paperless goal and helping them create a full digital user journey, from initial school enquiry through to student enrolment and beyond.

In late 2019, the school realised that they needed to solve the challenges they faced with complex activities management, which until now had been managed independently of ManageBac and OpenApply. They therefore implemented SchoolsBuddy, which integrates and receives student, parent and staff demographic data seamlessly from ManageBac. Additionally SchoolsBuddy collects the schools attendance data from ManageBac which creates a unified, integrated solution.

Faria’s level of support has been outstanding throughout my time at IICS. I joined as OpenApply was being implemented, and made the decision to move forward with SchoolsBuddy in 2019. Never have I had a large system like this roll out so smoothly! As a medium sized school, Faria’s three core products provide an integrated solution meaning we have no need for a wider school Management Information System, saving us the headache and cost, and allowing us to gain all the benefits of their best-in-breed modular approach.

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Unified Family Experience

Faria Education Group provides an integrated technology suite spanning Admissions Management, Learning & Teaching, and Activities Management & Online Payments for over 3000 leading international schools in over 120 countries. Faria’s Unified Family Experience provides students & families with a consistent, modern and intuitive user experience from initial inquiry to enrolment and school life & beyond, allowing schools to consolidate disparate systems, achieving considerable time & efficiency improvements for the whole school along with significant annual cost reductions.

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ManageBac is the leading online planning, assessment and reporting platform for IB World Schools, supporting over 140,000 educators in 130 countries for over 15 years. By providing schools with one unified system on a consistent, modern and mobile-ready interface, ManageBac offers a seamless & integrated experience for coordinators, teachers, students, and parents.

OpenApply is a modern School Admissions Management System supporting every stage of the applicant journey from enquiry to enrolment. Our cloud-based interface works seamlessly across devices for both families and staff, streamlining the process and reducing stress. Today OpenApply supports over 450 schools in over 80 countries.

SchoolsBuddy is a comprehensive extra-curricular management system for staff, parents and students, featuring activities management, online payments, plus sign up, allocation and attendance for after-school activities. Trips, online consent, parents evenings, sports teams and bookings can all be managed through the SchoolsBuddy platform.

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