

Malvern College Hong Kong

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Malvern College Hong Kong provides a caring and supporting environment for its pupils. We love the House system and the emphasis on the Malvern Qualities as integral values!

I am from Vienna, Austria, and my husband Matt is from Wales. We lived in London after we got married, and our daughter Catrin was born in Buckinghamshire just outside the city on a very cold day with minus 14 degrees and snow.

When Catrin was two years old, Matt received a job offer in Hong Kong which we happily accepted as we were keen to experience Asia. We moved to Discovery Bay where we live with Catrin's two cats. We enrolled Catrin in a bilingual kindergarten and then in a local school for the first two years in primary. This gave her a strong foundation for her Cantonese and Putonghua language skills.

Catrin joined Malvern College Hong Kong in Prep 3 and absolutely loves it. We chose Malvern because it is an IB school with a fantastic reputation in the UK, and Malvern College Hong Kong really has lived up to our expectations. The school provides a caring and supportive environment where children learn "how to learn". Apart from building knowledge, the children also acquire important problem-solving and collaboration skills. They are always encouraged to think out of the box!

I think the school places great emphasis on recruiting highly qualified teachers. Catrin has been with Malvern two and half years now, and we have found every single year, she has had exceptional teachers.

They support the children academically, but also look after their personal and social development; we could not be happier with Malvern's holistic approach to education. We also like the high level of Malvern College Hong Kong's Chinese programme and Catrin has built on and extended the advanced Mandarin skills that she had

acquired previously.

Malvern is always abreast with the latest educational developments and keeps the pupils up to date, from online apps to guest speaker presentations. We learned a lot from Catrin this year about useful apps and I use many of them at work now! The home learning programme is put together very thoughtfully and Catrin continues being engaged in her learning. Catrin feels very comfortable at Malvern and has made lots of friends whom she also meets outside of school. She has become extremely confident and even applied to become a peer leader for Morgan House. She was very proud to be chosen!

Just like her father, Catrin is a keen swimmer so she joined Malvern's swimming squad. In her free time, she likes to hike or go kayaking, or to paint, sew or do anything creative. We also love to cook, and Catrin has even started her own food blog on www.mini-miche.com – she loves to try new food and then writes restaurant reviews!

We all love travelling and cannot wait to get vaccinated against Covid, so that we can learn more about the history and culture of other Asian countries.