



Welcome to Primary School Zuoz / Madulain!

This information brochure provides an overview of our school's procedures, programmes, traditions and everyday life. Successful cooperation with parents is particularly important to us. For this reason, we ask you to read this information carefully.

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● **Our school**

Primary School Zuoz / Madulain consists of the kindergarten (two years) and the primary school (1st to 6th grade). The school also offers an early support programme for three- and four-year-old children.

The school in Zuoz / Madulain is a Romansh school (Puter). Romansh is therefore the everyday language at school from kindergarten onwards. Official information is communicated in both Romansh and German.

The modern infrastructure offers optimal conditions for a good learning and teaching environment.

The classes are organised individually. In addition to the class and special education teachers, the team also includes teachers for language integration and textile design, as well as the school management.

The children of the Zuoz / Madulain school have the opportunity to register for lunch and day structures.

Romansh language and culture

It is important for both local children and children from different cultural backgrounds to learn about Engadin culture. An open attitude towards Romansh culture on the part of parents makes it easier for children to integrate at school and in their free time.

Understanding the Romansh language is an important prerequisite for integration. It is desirable that the parents take part in a Romansh language course. For information on Romansh courses, please contact:

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Health

The school dental check-up takes place once a year. Twice a year, "Tanta Elmex" visits the school to instruct the pupils on dental hygiene.

Once a year, an orthoptist visits the 1st kindergarten class and the 1st class for an eye test.

Children in the second year of kindergarten are asked to undergo a medical check-up once.

Cooperation between school and parents

The school year begins in mid-August. Children must be registered at least two months in advance. It is absolutely necessary to present the children's previous school reports.

Parents are required to actively participate in information events, parents' evenings and assessment meetings.

The school has an educational mission. Parents are responsible for bringing up their children - having enough time for them is essential.

The parents organise leisure activities

(e.g: sports, music, handicrafts, participation in youth clubs, etc.)

They are responsible for ensuring that children consume media sensibly.

In order to maintain a good atmosphere in the school, the pupils, together with the teaching staff, have drawn up the following guiding principles:

I greet young and old.

I handle material with care.

I treat others as I would like to be treated.

I respect the STOP rule.

Together we are strong!

Our visions and goals for our school the "school profile" can be found on the website of Primary School Zuoz / Madulain.



● Early support

In favour of equal opportunities, the municipality of Zuoz has developed a concept to support even the youngest children. This includes the playgroups and language support with the "Wunderfitz und Redeblytz" course. More information on these offers can be found on our website.

Kindergarten

Admission to kindergarten takes place in the same year in which the child reaches the age of five. Parents will receive a letter in due course to enrol their child in the kindergarten. This is followed by an invitation to the kindergarten information evening.

Kindergarten is particularly important as preparation for primary school and to promote Romansh language skills. Ideally, children should have previously attended a playgroup (from the age of three) in order to come into contact with the Romansh language.

The kindergarten consists of two groups with children of mixed age groups.

Primary school

Admission to primary school takes place in the same year in which the child reaches the age of seven.

The language of instruction in all subjects is Romansh. German and English are added from the third or fifth grade onwards.

One or two class teachers are responsible for each class.

Lessons

Each school class has an individual timetable. All children have Wednesday afternoon off.

Break

During the school break, the teachers supervise the pupils. In summer, the break takes place on the sports field. In winter and in bad weather, we stay at the school break area.

Outside school hours, parents are responsible for their children.

Homework

Pupils complete their homework as independently as possible. Together with the parents, they are responsible for ensuring that these are completed on time.

School reports

Twice a year, the class teachers assess the pupils' performance in the following areas:

- Learning behaviour
- Work behaviour
- Social behaviour
- Performance level in the individual subjects

Towards the end of the first semester, a personal interview with the parents and the child takes place on the basis of a learning report. At the end of the first semester and the school year, students receive a report with grades and assessments in the above-mentioned areas.

Integrative promotion (pin p/s/c)

Pupils with learning difficulties or with special needs and talents have the opportunity to be supported and encouraged in individual subjects. The special education teachers accompany the individual pupils in an integrative manner in the classroom or teach them separately in small groups. With the parents' consent, the situation will be clarified with the school psychology service if necessary. Parents will be contacted in due course by the teacher regarding the support programme.

Laptops and iPads

From year three onwards, all pupils are given a laptop to work on at school. The kindergarten, first and second grade use tablets.

Linguistic integration

Foreign-language pupils at our school learn Romansh and German intensively in small integration groups. Integration lessons are limited in time and regulated by the canton.

Promoting talent and interests

A comprehensive collection of materials on various topics is available for primary school pupils. This educational material makes it possible to research, experiment and discover content independently, thus encouraging children's talents and interests.

The education and development of children is an immeasurably important matter and is very close to the hearts of the teaching staff in Zuoz / Madulain. Their commitment and motivation guarantee interesting, varied and modern lessons. In addition, there is a great passion for the Romansh language, which is practised in our school and passed on to the pupils.



Admission to secondary school / intermediate school or grammar school

For the transfer to the upper school after the sixth grade, intensive individual observation and support of the pupils takes place during the last two years of primary school. The sixth-grade teachers decide on admission to the secondary or intermediate school.

The entrance examination for grammar school also takes place in year six. We recommend consulting the class teacher before registering for the preparatory course and/or the entrance examination.

Upper school

The upper school (intermediate school and secondary school) is located in Zuoz and is attended by pupils from the entire Plaiv (S-chanf, Zuoz, Madulain and La Punt).

Lunch and day structures

Lunch with care, supervision and guidance is an offer for children from kindergarten to 6th grade. This offer is valid for the following days: **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday**, always from **11.15am to 1.30pm**. On **Tuesday and Thursday** from **1.30 pm to 5.30 pm**. Supervision on the other afternoons depends on the number of registrations.

Lunch takes place in a canteen at Lyceum Alpinum. After lunch, everyone returns together to brush their teeth, do their homework and play. At around 1.30 pm, the children go to kindergarten or school independently.

Lunch costs CHF 10.00. The accompaniment, the costs for care and supervision during lunch are covered by the municipality.

Parents will receive a registration form in due course to register their child for lunch and the day structures. Registration is valid for the entire school year!

Children who are registered for lunch are expected to attend regularly. Lunch will also be charged in the event of absence.

The **day structure** enables parents to enrol their child for supervision sessions in addition to lesson times. **Homework lessons** for schoolchildren are also offered as part of the day structures.

The municipality decides on the realisation of the units.

One unit of the day structure costs CHF 4.00 per child.

Enrolment for the day structure and the assignment lessons is always valid for the entire school year! It is expected that children who are registered for the day structure will attend regularly. The units will also be charged in the event of absence.

Communication

Our school works with the "Klapp-app". All information from the school management and class teachers is transmitted in this way.

The app is also used by parents to contact teachers and to record absences. The calendar lists all the important occasions and events of the school year.

Download Klapp (iOS):



Download Klapp (Android):



Absence

School is compulsory - children must attend regularly.

It is expected that children who are registered for kindergarten will attend regularly.

Joker days:

Each pupil can take six half joker days (three days) during a school year. The request must be made to the class teacher at least one week in advance.

Holiday request:

For holiday requests from lessons that last longer than one day or in special cases, the request must be submitted in writing to the principal at least four weeks in advance.

Sickness absences:

Absences due to sickness must be recorded before the start of lessons for all teachers involved. A doctor's certificate must be submitted for absences due to sickness lasting longer than four days.

Dental appointments:

Parents are responsible for ensuring that dental appointments take place during non-school hours whenever possible. If this is not possible in exceptional cases, the class teacher must be informed at least three days in advance.

All absences need to be entered in the **Klapp app** by the given deadline and thus communicated to all teachers involved.

The cantonal school law and the school regulations are binding and must be observed - it is the parents' duty to inform themselves in good time.

Customs

Our school cultivates various customs that are of great importance for living together at school and in the communities of Zuoz and Madulain.

You can find a description of these traditions on our website.

School programme and special offers

“Denk-Wege”

It is very important to our school that every pupil feels comfortable and can develop in the best possible way.

For this reason, we work with the "muossavia" (Denk-Wege) programme of the University of Zurich.

Mentoring

Every pupil who starts the first year is assigned a mentor from the fourth year, who accompanies them through the first three years of school.

Community events such as St Nicholas' Day, storytelling night, tobogganing day, etc. follow throughout the year.

Class generations

Since the 2018/2019 school year, an intergenerational exchange has been taking place in some of our classrooms. The Pro Senectute project enables regular visits by pensioners to individual classes. In these teaching units, they accompany the pupils in acquiring skills and support the teachers, whereby everyone should benefit from a mutual exchange of experiences.

“Purzelbaum”

Our kindergarten takes part in the "Purzelbaum" project with the aim of creating a variety of exercise programmes for kindergarten children.

“Yo Quiero Ser”Children's Home Foundation

Our school supports the "Yo Quiero Ser" Children's Home Foundation for street children in Honduras with collections or project funds.

Details of the programmes and activities offered by the school, the learning platform and further information can be found on our website:

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