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British Fleming School: the learning method that leaves no one behind

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In Barcelona's Sants-Badal neighbourhood, a language school has decided that the method should adapt to the student, not the other way around. British Fleming School, an official Pearson examination centre, uses an innovative approach that supports students of all ages and levels, from those taking their first steps in English to those preparing for an official exam.

The school pays particular attention to those who have encountered the most obstacles in the traditional classroom. Students with ADHD and ASD are central to the design of its classes, which feature clear routines, flexible pacing and an environment where making mistakes is part of the process. The underlying idea is as simple as it is demanding: everyone should be able to learn in their own way without giving up on ambitious goals.

This philosophy comes from the school's founder, a polyglot who believes teaching can be a tool for improving lives. She is convinced that mastering languages opens doors and that everyone deserves the chance to walk through them. That conviction gave rise to a project that combines personal attention with ambition.

A voice of their own

Also behind this approach is Felipe Castañeda, a writer and executive with a PhD who heads the school's marketing as its CMO. His background in literature has shaped the school's approach: learning a language is, above all, about daring to use it, and that only happens when students feel

confident expressing themselves in their own voice.

That is why the school works to make speaking and writing in another language less anxiety-inducing. It prioritises real communication over rote memorisation and seeks to ensure that mistakes are seen not as failures, but as a natural stage of learning. For Castañeda, educational innovation is not an embellishment, but a responsibility towards those in the classroom.

A pet-friendly environment

The commitment to student wellbeing extends to the premises themselves. British Fleming School is a pet-friendly centre, an uncommon choice in the sector that helps create a warmer, more relaxed atmosphere. The school says the presence of pets helps ease tension and puts students in a better frame of mind when they arrive for class.

Success stories

The results are already evident. Thanks to this method, students at the school have secured better job opportunities and visas to study or work abroad. Other achievements are more everyday, but just as valuable: some students simply no longer have to worry about leaving their furry four-legged friends home alone.

With this approach, British Fleming School aims to show that academic excellence and human warmth are not mutually exclusive. It is an official examination centre committed to inclusion, innovation and personal attention: a formula it hopes will help it continue to grow in Barcelona’s education sector.

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