

# bilArabi Consultancy and Professional Development



bilArabi aims to innovate the traditional teaching and learning of Arabic in schools, through our unique, tailored and ongoing Consultancy and Professional Development support.



1 Collaborating with educators



2 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills



3 Arabic language acquisition and proficiency

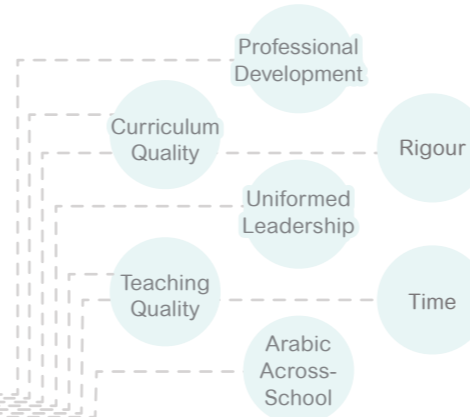
## Overview

Our bilArabi Consultancy and Professional Development support take a holistic and personalised approach to develop effective Arabic language teaching and learning strategies in Schools.

By collaborating with educators to create a 'whole school' responsive pedagogy, our Professional Development solution meets specific child needs and ensures a consistent approach to learning Arabic. It also actively develops students' 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills to prepare them for future success, alongside comprehensive Arabic language acquisition and proficiency.

## Arabic Language Education Challenges

Dr. Hanada Taha Thomure, a world-renowned Arabic language expert, and the lead author of bilArabi identified seven main challenges to Arabic Language Education in her recent "Arabic Language Education in the UAE: Choosing the Right Drivers" Academic Paper. They are:



## Our Solution

Our bilArabi Consultancy and Professional Development solution provides a number of varied and rigorous techniques to overcome these challenges to effective Arabic Language Education:



- Needs Assessment of the Arabic department in the school, in collaboration with the Senior Leadership Team (SLT).
- Focus Groups with students and parents to understand how they feel about the teaching and learning of Arabic in School.
- Devising the Professional Development plan for the School, in collaboration with the SLT.
- A two-day initial Professional Development course focused on the core elements of the bilArabi pedagogy (i.e. standards and literature-based approach, student-centred and inquiry-based learning, higher order thinking skills, blended learning and assessment).
- A teaching observation from Pearson and the SLT to optimise Arabic language teaching and learning strategies.
- A series of pedagogical training sessions and lesson observations, based on the Professional Development plan developed by Pearson and the SLT.
- Opportunities for teachers to connect and share best practice as part of a Professional Learning Community.
- Celebrating achievement and success at the end-of-the-year, through a session conducted by Pearson.