

Elementary Students from the IC in Ain Aar Visit the LERC

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Fifth grade students (Ghazal Altoum, Alexandre Ghawi, Nour Halabi, Joseph Abi Karam, and Kevin Abi Raad) from the International College (IC) in Ain Aar visited the Lebanese Emigration Research Center (LERC) at Notre Dame University-Louaize (NDU) accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Rosy Daou, and parent, Mrs. Grace Halabi.

The students are working on an exhibition, concerning Lebanese emigration. They visited the Center armed with an arsenal of questions on Lebanese migration to gain valuable information on their chosen subject .



LERC Intern Talar Demirdjian, Ms. Liliane Haddad, and the IC students at the LERC (May 7, 2014)

This is not the first time the Center has helped students with their projects. In fact, the LERC has previously received students from the IC school as well as other schools, such as the Ecole Saint Charles des Filles de la Charité and the Beirut Evangelical School for Girls and Boys.

The students met Mrs. Liliane Haddad, the LERC's Chief Indexer and Archivist, who gave them a brief overview on Lebanese migration to the world, introduced them to the Center, and showed them material of interest to the topic of their exhibition. The students engaged Mrs. Haddad with questions that centered on the reasons for Lebanese migration. They were surprised to learn that there were Lebanese aboard the Titanic and that some perished with the ship while others survived. The students requested some photos for their exhibition, which the Center gladly provided.