



Our Mission

To empower and inspire students to achieve their full individual potential and become responsible global citizens. We provide an innovative, internationally-recognized education within a compassionate, multicultural community.



800

Student
Population



18

Students per
Class (avg.)



100 +

Sports and
Activities



28

Years World IB
School



78

Student
Nationalities



180

Staff
Members



1997

Year
Founded



95%

Parent
Satisfaction Rate

Early Learning (ages 3 - 6)

Young children learn and develop at different rates and in different ways. Our Early Learning Programme (EL) nourishes the individual potential of each child. Teachers anchor learning goals around student interests and individual progress. Every school day integrates mathematical and literacy skills according to the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme, with plenty of time for independent inquiry, fun and adventure.

- EL groups are divided into EL3/4 and EL5. Placement within the EL Programme is determined by date of birth.
- Maximum 20 children per group, with a qualified teacher and teaching assistant.
- Children must be fully toilet trained before entering the EL Programme.
- School day in Early Learning is 8:20 - 15:20.
- Nap time is optional in EL3/4.
- Regular feedback, photos and videos of students via school app.

Early Learning 3/4

Our 3 and 4 year old students learn together in a mixed age setting, with each child assigned to a specific teacher. Based on their learning needs, interests and developmental levels, children work and play in different groups throughout the day.

Early Learning 5

EL5 is a transition year maintaining the fun and play that helps children learn while gradually introducing the skills needed for success in Primary School. This year is excellent preparation for entering Grade 1 and the learning expectations associated with it.

Example Timetable Early Learning

8:20 - 8:30	Arrival and Morning Circle
8:30 - 9:15	Unit of Inquiry
9:15 - 10:05	Unit of Inquiry
10:05 - 10:35	Snack
10:35 - 11:25	German
11:35 - 12:05	Lunch
12:05 - 12:45	Recess
12:45 - 13:15	Outdoor Learning
13:15 - 14:05	Creative Arts
14:05 - 14:55	Library
14:55 - 15:15	Homeroom / Dismissal
15:15 - 18:00	Optional After School Care & Activities



Grades 1 - 5 (ages 6 - 11)

Our Primary Years curricula reflect the best of current research on how children learn, embedded within the framework of the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme. This programme promotes a strong foundation in subject content as well as cognitive abilities and social skills.

Classroom Structure and Specialist Instruction

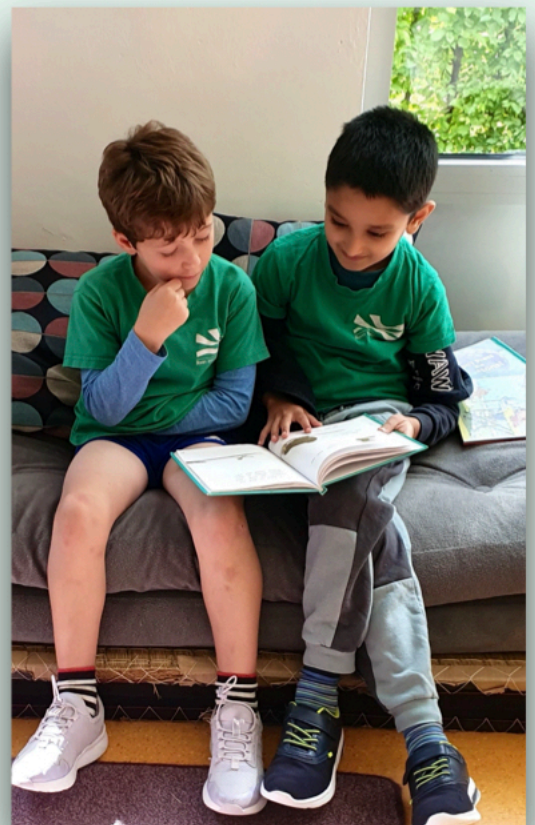
- Maximum 22 children per class, with a teacher and teaching assistant up to Grade 3.
- Homeroom teachers are responsible for Mathematics, Science, Social Science and English Language.
- Specialist teachers lead Art, Music, Physical Education, German, English as an Additional Language classes and Learning Support.
- Regular feedback, photos and videos of students via school app. Parent conferences with teachers take place three times per year.
- iPads available for each student in every class.

Interdisciplinary Learning and Skill Development

Central to our educational approach is learning through ideas and concepts that span multiple disciplines. Students also build a tool set of communication, presentation and technology skills to aid them in their inquiry-based research and work. Critical skills around digital citizenship, self-management and social competence are developed and expanded year upon year.

Example Timetable Primary School

8:20 - 8:25	Arrival / Roll Call
8:25 - 9:15	Math Workshop
9:15 - 10:05	German
10:05 - 10:35	Recess
10:35 - 11:25	Music
11:25 - 12:15	Writer's Workshop
12:15 - 12:45	Lunch
12:45 - 13:15	Recess
13:15 - 14:05	Grade 2 Shared Unit of Inquiry
14:05 - 14:55	Grade 2 Shared Unit of Inquiry
14:55 - 15:20	Homeroom / Dismissal
15:20 - 18:00	Optional After School Care & Activities



Grades 6 - 10 (ages 11 - 16)

Our Middle Years Programme focuses on academic challenge and the development of life skills for students at a critical phase of personal development. This programme affords students space to explore their interests, while preparing for the demands of their final two years of school. These years are devoted to supporting students as they define their strengths and where they want to go into the next phase of their life journey.

Grades 6 - 8 study set core subjects. Optional courses empower them to explore their interests and passions.

Core Subjects:

English • German • Mathematics • Sciences • Individuals & Societies • Physical & Health Education • Digital & Product Design • Music & Visual Arts

Options:

Coding • Junior Sports Leadership • Drama • Band • Mother Tongue Language and Literature • Spanish/French Language Acquisition • Creative Writing • Concert Masters • Learning Lab/Wellness for the Body and Mind

Grades 9 - 10 narrow their course choices, with an eye to their strengths and what they need to achieve for university entrance or career goals.

Core Subjects:

English • German • Mathematics (Standard or Extended) • Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics) • Individuals & Societies (Geography, History) • Design (Product or Digital) • Physical & Health Education • Arts (Drama, Music, Visual)

Electives:

Biology • Chemistry • Physics • Global Issues • Physical & Health Education • Extended Visual Arts

Options:

Sports Science • Coding • Stagecraft • Band • French/Spanish Language Acquisition • Mother Tongue Language and Literature • Creative Writing • Learning Lab

At the end of Grade 10, students complete the IB MYP certificate or the IB MYP bilingual certificate, which is a broad and balanced course of study, equivalent to the German Mittlere Reife and the GCSEs in the UK.

Example Timetable Secondary School

8:00 - 8:20	Arrival
8:20 - 8:32	Advisory
8:35 - 9:30	Sciences
9:35 - 10:30	Individuals and Societies
10:30 - 10:55	Morning Break
10:55 - 11:50	French Language Acquisition
11:55 - 12:50	Coding
12:50 - 13:35	Lunch
13:35 - 14:30	Mathematics
14:35 - 15:30	Music
15:45 - 19:00	Optional After School Co-Curriculars



Grades 11 - 12 (ages 16 - 18)

These final years at BIS are key to positioning students for university success and defining possible career and life paths. Our students benefit from extensive advisory guidance throughout their Secondary years and from engaging in the ambitious, forward-thinking International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP).

The Diploma years offer a number of academic options to fit the diverse needs and paths of our students. We know that school will be challenging, so we have the personnel resources available to guide and support students during these important, intense years.

Three Diploma Tracks

Students follow a higher education preparatory programme:



IBDP and High School Diploma: All courses taken at the Diploma Programme level with 3 Higher Level (HL) and 3 Standard Level (SL) subjects.



IB Courses and High School Diploma: 1-6 IB courses taken at the Diploma Programme level.



High School Diploma: All BIS students complete 24 credits in 4 years of full-time education with a minimum of 90% attendance.

IB Diploma Programme Course Offerings *

Language A

English Language & Literature
English Literature
German Language & Literature
Self-Taught Literature SL
Spanish Language & Literature HL/SL

Language B & ab initio

English B (HL/HSD)
German B (SL/HSD)
German ab initio (SL/HSD)
Spanish ab initio (SL/HSD)

Individuals & Societies

Economics
Geography
History

Sciences

Biology
Chemistry
Physics
Sports, Exercise & Health Sciences

Mathematics**

Analysis & Approaches HL/SL
Applications & Interpretation SL/HSD

Arts

Visual Arts
Theatre



35

**IB Points
Average**

World Average: 30

* All subjects are available at Higher Level (HL), Standard Level (SL) and for the High School Diploma (HSD) unless explicitly stated.

** SL Mathematics courses are recognized by the German KMK for "allgemeine Hochschulgangsberechtigung".

University Acceptances of BIS Graduates

Australia

University of Sydney
University of Technology Sydney

Belgium

Brussels School of Governance
KdG University of Applied Sciences & Arts
KU Leuven University

Canada

McGill University
McMaster University
University of Alberta
University of Calgary
University of Ottawa
University of Toronto
York University

Croatia

University of Zagreb, School of Medicine

France

EDHEC Business School

Germany

CBS International Business School
European University of Cyprus, Frankfurt
Frankfurt School of Finance and Management
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology
Technical University of Cologne
Technical University of Munich

Italy

Bocconi University
IED Istituto Europeo di Design

Netherlands

Erasmus University
Hague University of Applied Sciences
HAN University of Applied Sciences
NHL Stenden Hogeschool
Leiden University
Maastricht University
TU Eindhoven
University of Amsterdam
University of Groningen
University College Utrecht
Utrecht University
Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Spain

Charles III University of Madrid
IE University
UCAM Catholic University of Murcia
Universidad CEU San Pablo
Universidad de Navarra

Switzerland

ETH Zurich
Franklin University

United Kingdom

Aston University
Bournemouth University
City, University of London
Coventry University
King's College London
Loughborough University
Nottingham Trent University
Queen Mary University
Royal Holloway
University College London
University of Bristol
University of Edinburgh
University of Essex
University of Exeter
University of Leeds
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Oxford
University of Sheffield
University of Sussex
University of St Andrews

United States

Elon University
Emerson College
Fordham University
George Washington University
Northeastern University
Pace University
Santa Clara University
SUNY University at Albany
University of Southern California
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Vermont

Co-Curricular Sports & Activities

Our Co-Curricular Programme offers students new ways to experience success, make new friends and explore their unique talents. Our programme spans from the arts to sports, languages to political debating clubs.

Students participate in sports and activities during lunchtime, before and after school as well as during school holidays. Some sports and activities run all year long, many run for a season (three seasons per academic year). Some offerings incur a fee.

Example Co-Curriculars



Early Learning

- After school care
- Holiday camps
- Sports: swimming, football, gymnastics

Grades 1 - 5

- After school care
- Holiday camps
- Arts: art club, coding, creative writing, music, choir, textile club
- Sports: dance, football, running, swimming, basketball, tumbling, ball sports

Grades 6 - 12

- Academic support: homework, maths, drop-in clubs
- Arts: art club, choir, creative writing, theatre, band
- Competitive sports: basketball, cricket, football, golf, track & field, swimming, volleyball, softball
- Recreational sports: badminton, basketball, football, volleyball
- Debating & public speaking: Model United Nations, TEDx BISYouth

For everyone

- Private music lessons & language schools

30+

competitive teams

100+

activities

85%

students participate in
at least 1 CC offering

3

camps: carnival,
spring, and summer

Student Wellbeing Support Services

Extra services strengthen the student experience

We believe that students thrive best - both academically and personally - in an environment where they feel safe, supported, and valued. Our extended team assures individual attention.

- English as an Additional Language for students without fluency in English
- Learning Support for students with learning needs
- Counselors address social and emotional needs in all grade levels
- University & Careers Advisor prepares students for life after BIS
- Nurse is on campus during all school days
- Media Centre Teacher Librarians help students develop research skills and a love of reading.



Your Application to Bonn International School

Families interested in joining BIS are welcome to complete an online application. This application is non-binding. You will be asked to provide the following in an electronic form:

- Copy of child's passport
- Previous school reports (2 years)
- Current school contact information



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