THAMES BRITISH SCHOOL | Dukes EDUCATION

TOGETHER WE'RE EXTRAORDINARY

# THAMES BRITISH SCHOOL WARSAW

CAMBRIDGE International Education

Cambridge International School

IB Diploma Programme

*Caring today Shaping tomorrow*




STAFF

# WELCOME TO THAMES BRITISH SCHOOL WARSAW

***Dear Parents and Students,***

As the Executive Head of Schools, I warmly welcome you to Thames British School, Warsaw. Whether it's your first encounter or you're already part of our community, we're a diverse group of learners from around the world, bound by our home in Warsaw, shared values and purpose: our dedication to the young people in our care.

We are also a proud member of the Dukes Education Family living our shared values:  we're a team; we lead with heart; we love learning; and, we do it well.

What defines an international British-style education? It blends British education traditions and values, providing a global outlook while respecting local customs. Following the British curriculum, students benefit from exposure to various subjects, cultivating a well-rounded education enriched by learning the Polish language and understanding local traditions. Emphasising critical thinking, creativity, and effective communication, this education prepares students for a competitive and interconnected world, striving to create globally aware individuals.

A hallmark of British education is the emphasis on assessment and a data driven approach to student achievement aligned with international and British standards. In the final four years, we offer the Cambridge IGCSE as a stepping stone for A Level or the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

Offering diverse programs provides students with equally rigorous pathways to world-leading institutions, focusing on what they need for what comes next.

'We are called to be the architects of our future, not its victims'(Buckminster Fuller). This embodies our "why": to empower young people with knowledge, skills, and agency to shape their futures. Our values: Collaborative and Compassionate; Authentic; Responsible and Resilient; and Enlightened.

Our dedicated professionals tirelessly provide meaningful and impactful learning opportunities. Strong home-school partnerships, built on shared values, define Thames learners, emphasising character traits alongside academic success. Trust is earned through authentic communication, consistent with our values, and our commitment to safeguarding every young person entrusted to us. After all, 'It takes a village to raise a child'.

As a young, ambitious school with four campuses, we bring the best of International British Education to Warsaw. Striving for constant improvement, each campus has its unique character. Still, we work together as one village, one community united by a common purpose: to prepare young people for what comes next, whatever it may be.



Yours in partnership,
**Berrin Schofield**
Executive Head of Schools
Thames British School Warsaw

# WHY THAMES BRITISH SCHOOL WARSAW?

## Our Mission

To lay the foundations for our pupils to improve the world they will inherit through promoting resilience, cooperation and enthusiasm within a safe and caring community.

## Our Vision

We envisage an environment where children build the knowledge and skills they will need in the 21st century by critically evaluating their experiences through globally respected curricula, including the UK Early Years Foundation Stage, Cambridge International Education programmes, and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.
Our broad and balanced learning experiences encourage students to take risks, embrace challenges, and develop resilience. We nurture both academic and personal growth by empowering individuals to seize opportunities and fulfil their potential as independent thinkers and collaborative team members.
Our multicultural community celebrates diversity and the richness it brings, enabling us to learn from one another in a spirit of openness and respect.

## Our Values

Fostering a culture of **C | A | R | E**.
**Caring today | Shaping tomorrow**

- **C – Collaborative and Compassionate** – We work together when needed to get the job done. We value the work of others, are compassionate, and recognise that success is mutually beneficial.
- **A – Authentic** – We are real, genuine and honest. We are true to ourselves and our community and represent ourselves as such with integrity.
- **R – Responsible and Resilient** – We have an obligation to reach our potential and fight to do so. We are accountable for our actions and utterances, and demonstrate respect for others needs and our environment. We don't give up.
- **E – Enlightened** – We act on evidence, are factually well-informed, tolerant of alternative opinions, and guided by rational thought.








**Collaborative**



**Authentic**



**Responsible**



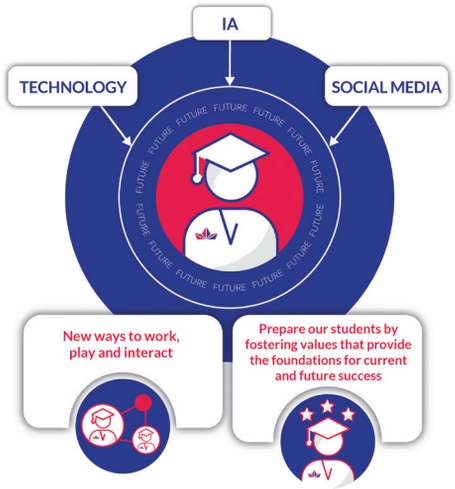
**Enlightened**


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YOUR JOURNEY STARTS HERE
Year 9 Transition Day – Reflection Booklet
Thames British School - Mokotów High Campus


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What do we CARE about?
We CARE about YOU!
We c | a | r | e about providing students with various pathways to success
We c | a | r | e that every one of our students reaches their full potential, academically, socially and emotionally
We c | a | r | e that every student is safe and feels safe at school
We c | a | r | e about our village and the well being of our community and the individuals and families that form it
We c | a | r | e about our values
We c | a | r | e about the future
We c | a | r | e about learning first and foremost

# WHAT DO WE CARE ABOUT:

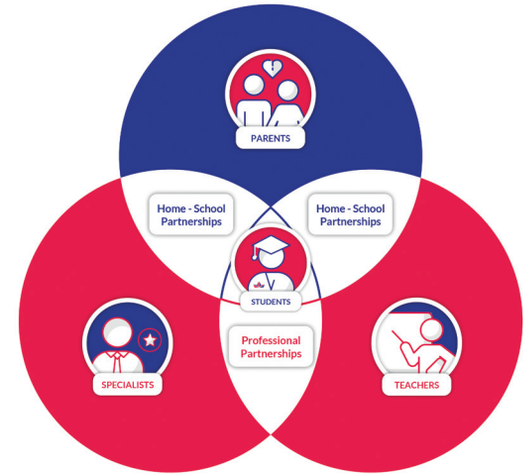


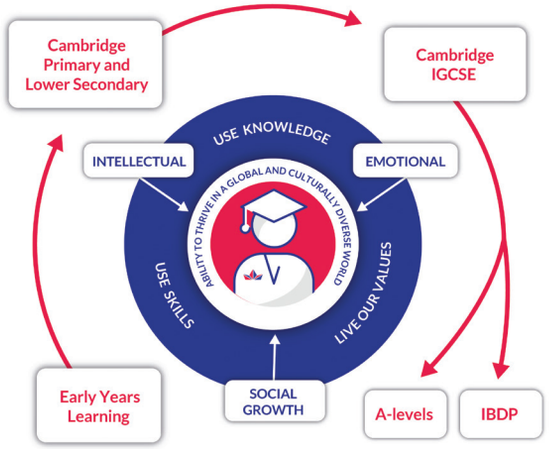

## We c | a | r | e about the future.

We live in a time of rapid and consequential change with technology, social media and IA providing new ways to work, play and interact with each other. Many of our students will live to see the next century and we have know way of knowing what that may look like. Our responsibility is to prepare our students for an unknowable future by fostering values that provide the foundations for current and future success.

## 'It takes a village to raise a child' (African proverb).

We care about our village and the well being of our community and the individuals and families that form it. Use Pulse App to ask our older students how they are feeling each week, we have robust child protection policies and procedures and dedicated professionals serving as DSLs on each campus and specialists to ensure the wellbeing of all our students. We also expect that all members of our community behave in a manner that is consistent with our values and our agenda of care.



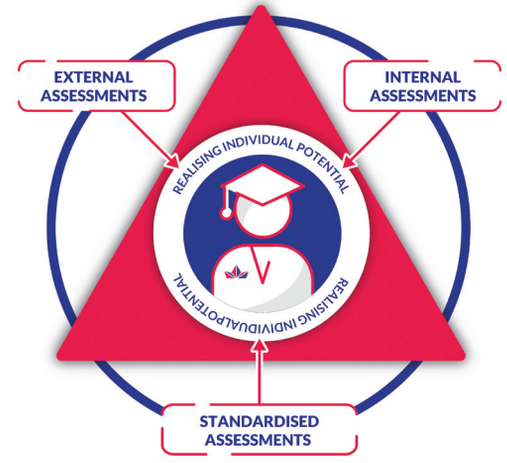

## We c | a | r | e about providing students with various pathways to success.

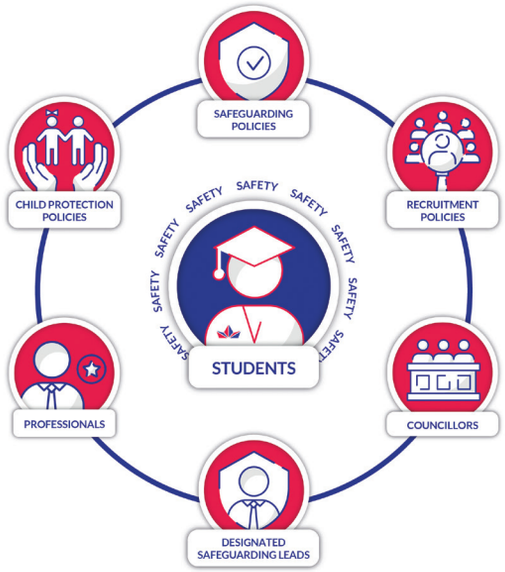
As students progress through the school, we offer the very best British education blended with international and Polish elements.
Our students progress through:
· Early Years Learning Framework;
· Cambridge Primary and Lower Secondary;
· IGCSE the most studied International Curriculum in the world; and finally A choice between A-levels and the IBDP, one providing broad educational experience, the other are more focused approach. Students are able to focus on subjects where they will be more successful. Both are rigorous and internationally and domestically recognised.

## We c | a | r | e that every one of our students reaches their full potential, academically, socially and emotionally.

We use data from internal, external and standardised assessments to triangulate student achievement, set goals and ensure learners reach their potential.

We recognise that every child is different by providing the pathways through learning. This includes an integrated and aligned assessment and reporting policy that links the Polish national system with our international curriculum and external assessment partners.



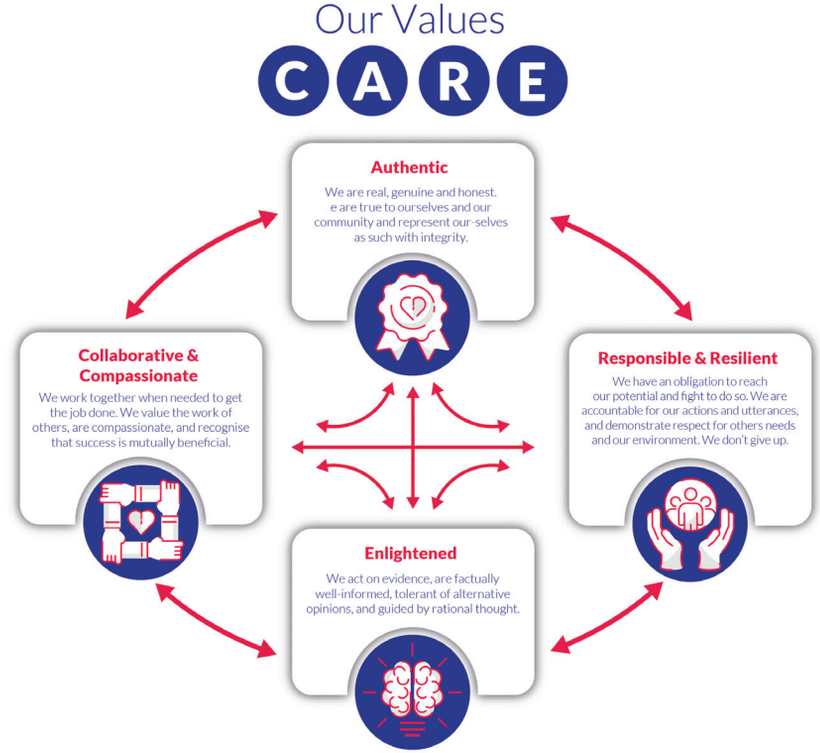


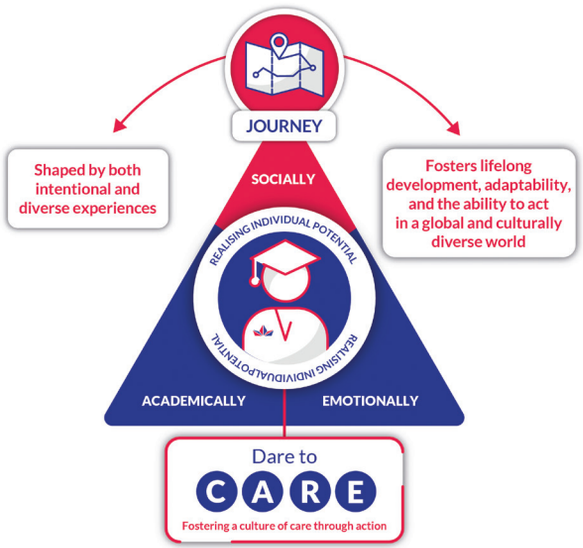

## We c | a | r | e that every students is safe and feels safe at school.

We have robust Child Protection and Safeguarding and Recruitment Policies. All our staff go through a rigorous process of reference and background checks. We have a dedicated groups of Professionals on each campus including Designated Safeguarding Leads and councillors committed to ensure every child is safe. Many aspects of these policies exceed local legislative requirements.

## We c | a | r | e about our values.

Our choice of language is inclusive and respectful; our behaviour and what it may communicate to others. We conduct ourselves in an ethical and manner and with integrity at all times; about the culture evident in our learning community, we behave in a manner that fosters our values and insist that all members of our community do the same.




## We c | a | r | e about learning first and foremost. Teachers are considered facilitators of learning.

### Our definition of learning

At Thames British School we know that learning is a continuous and dynamic process of intellectual, emotional, and social growth, where individuals acquire, understand, and apply knowledge, skills, and values. This transformative journey, shaped by both intentional and diverse experiences, fosters lifelong development, adaptability, and the ability to act in a global and culturally diverse world.

### Our Development Theme

Dare to CARE: Fostering a culture of care through action.

What do we CARE about?
We CARE about YOU!

# WHY THAMES BRITISH SCHOOL WARSAW MIGHT BE THE RIGHT CHOICE

### Education for ages 2.5 to 18 years

We offer education for ages 2.5 to 18, from Early Years to Cambridge A levels and the IBDP. A comprehensive offer including Preschool, Primary School, Secondary School, High School.

### Cambridge international and IB DP Programmes

We are fully accredited to deliver the UK Early Years, Cambridge Primary, Lower Secondary, Upper Secondary and IGCSE, Cambridge Advanced and International Baccalaureate Diploma Programmes with a full complement of approved international sections for all grades in primary and high schools.

### Pathways to succes and matriculation to the world's top universities

The A-levels and the IB Diploma qualifications and enrichment programmes that we offer to senior students are highly-respected by the world's leading universities.

### International friends for life!

Our campuses educate 750+ students drawn from 50+ different countries in a friendly, culturally tolerant atmosphere where English is the main language of instruction and communication.

### Excellent native-English / fully-certified teachers

Our teachers are highly-qualified, experienced and, aside from selected subject-specialists, are native-level speakers of English.

### 4 Superb Campuses

Thames British School Warsaw has 4 campuses equipped with excellent facilities: Ochota Campus, Mokotów Primary Campus, Włochy Campus and our Mokotów High School Campus.









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# ACCREDITATIONS

**CAMBRIDGE ASSESSMENT INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION**

Cambridge Primary is our program for 5 to 11 year olds, it provides a broad and balanced educational foundation for students at the beginning of their schooling. The curriculum allows for a great degree of flexibility, allowing our teachers to shape it around the learning needs of the students. It also offers the ideal preparation for progression to the Cambridge Lower Secondary program.

In 2019 Thames British School obtained its accreditation to offer Cambridge Upper Secondary IGCSE programme and Cambridge International AS and A Levels programme which are the world's most popular international qualifications for 14 to 19 year olds. They are recognised by leading universities and employers worldwide.

CAMBRIDGE
International Education

Cambridge International School

**INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ORGANISATION**

Thames British School has been authorised to deliver the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (ID DP). This curriculum is designed for students aged 16 to 18 years old and is covered during the last two years of high school. It is a prestigious qualification honored at over 2,000 higher education institutions in 75 countries, including leading universities around the world.

Diploma Programme

**POLISH MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

Thames British School Warsaw is an international private school registered with the National Ministry of Education. Thames British School Warsaw respects all of the required core curricula for general education and has the right to issue school certificates that are recognised by all other schools and universities. The school's curriculum is aimed at both Polish and non-polish students who seek high quality international education covered by a full compliment of approved international sections for all grades in primary and high schools. The calendar aligns with the school year as issued by the Ministry of National Education on an annual basis, specifying the dates of the start and the end of the school year and prescribed school holidays.

Minister of National Education
Republic of Poland


How does the Programme work at Thames British School?

# DISCOVER THAMES BRITISH SCHOOL WARSAW

**We provide high quality education following the Cambridge International School and IB (International Baccalaureate) Diploma Programmes and offer the full education from the ages of 2.5 to 18 years old.**





As a proud member of the Dukes Education European family of schools, we offer a continuum of high-quality education with robust a complete educational pathways for students aged 2.5 to 18.

The UK Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework guides teaching and learning in our Kindergarten for children aged 2.5 to 5 years old. At this stage, we place strong emphasis on the Prime areas of early childhood development: communication and language, physical development, and personal, social and emotional development. As children prepare to transition to Primary School, there is an increased focus on building strong foundations in reading, writing, and mathematics, delivered primarily through active, play-based learning experiences.

The Cambridge Primary and Lower Secondary curricula are designed for students aged 5 to 11 and 11 to 14, provide a broad and balanced education across a wide range of subjects, including English, Mathematics, Science, History, Geography, and Computing. The curriculum is flexible and internationally relevant, offering multiple opportunities to develop creativity, self-expression, outdoor learning, and wellbeing.

The Cambridge Upper Secondary IGCSE programme is one of the world's most recognised qualifications for students aged 14 to 16. As in Lower Secondary, students follow a varied curriculum comprising core and elective subjects, including English and Mathematics, alongside a choice of Sciences, Humanities, Computing, and Languages. IGCSE qualifications are widely recognised and highly respected by universities and employers around the world.

For students aged 16 to 18, we offer a choice between Cambridge International Advanced Levels (AS and A Levels) and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP), both of which provide pathways to the world's leading universities. AS and A Levels are subject-based programmes in which students typically select three subjects to study in depth. The IBDP offers a broader curriculum, with students studying six subjects across different subject groups, alongside its core components.

Every student is unique — so why limit everyone to the same pathway? Offering two distinct yet equally rigorous post-16 programmes allows students to choose the route that best suits their strengths, ambitions, and learning style. This flexibility distinguishes Thames British School Warsaw and opens diverse pathways to higher education in countries including the UK, USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, France, the Netherlands, Germany, Spain, Poland, and across Europe.

**At Thames British School Warsaw we require students to be active partners in their own learning. We foster a diverse international learning community by appointing ambitious, highly qualified teachers and school leaders. Our school provides a safe, supportive, and inspiring environment where enjoyment of learning motivates students to achieve success.**

Central to our ethos is the understanding that academic achievement alone is no longer a sufficient guarantee of success in life. Young people need a broad range of skills, competencies, and personal qualities to thrive in an ever-changing and dynamic world. To support this, we offer a rich programme of clubs, events, and co-curricular opportunities spanning academic, sporting, and musical pursuits, as well as additional subject support and language instruction in Polish, Spanish, and German. We also take pride in our high-quality Guidance and Physical Education programmes, designed to support the emotional and physical wellbeing of every student.

We understand that choosing a school is one of the most important decisions for families and trust that this brochure provides an introduction to the experiences and opportunities that await while also leaving you wanting more information.

What questions might you have?

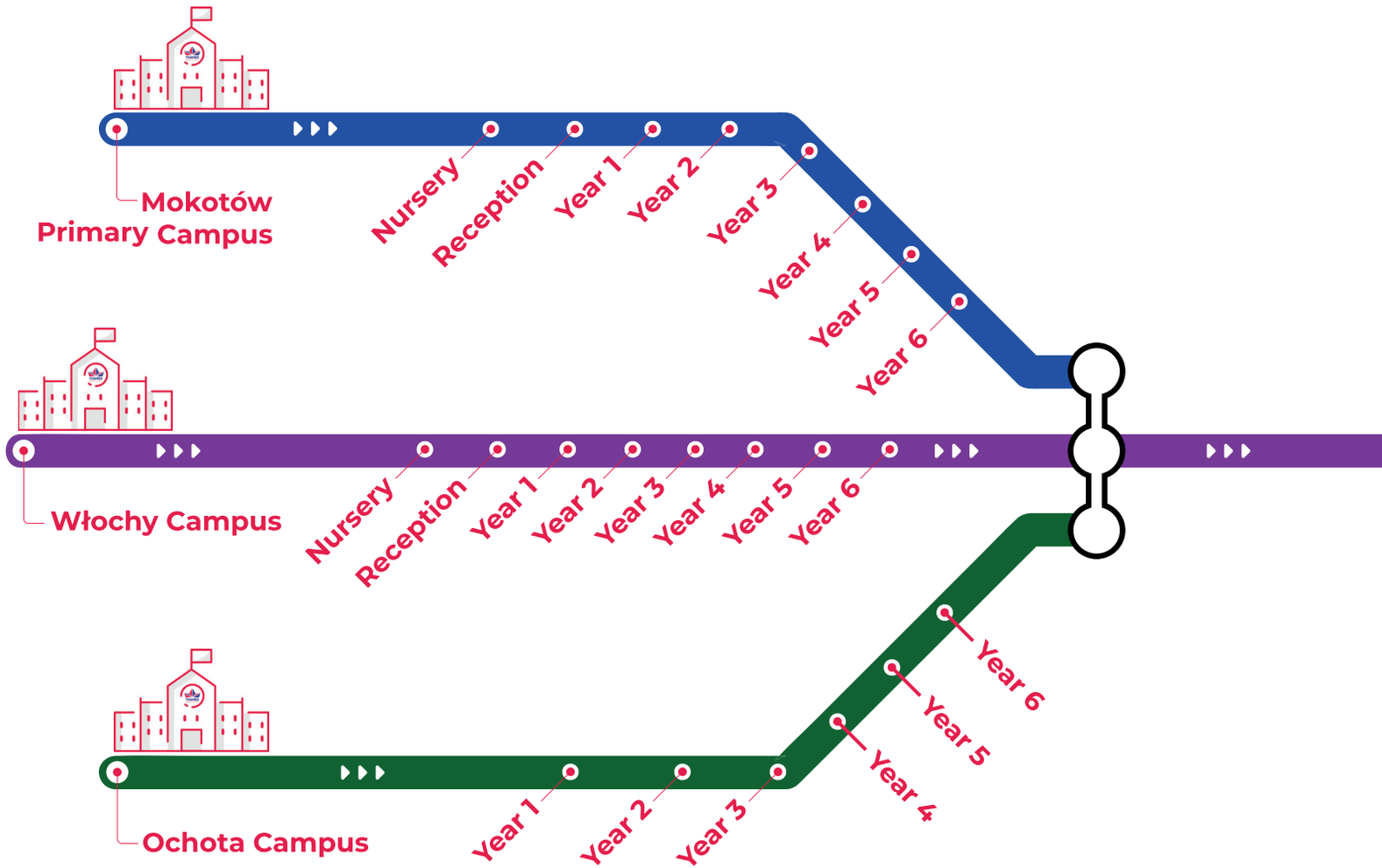
There is no substitute for seeing the school in action so reach out to arrange a visit. We look forward to welcoming you very soon!





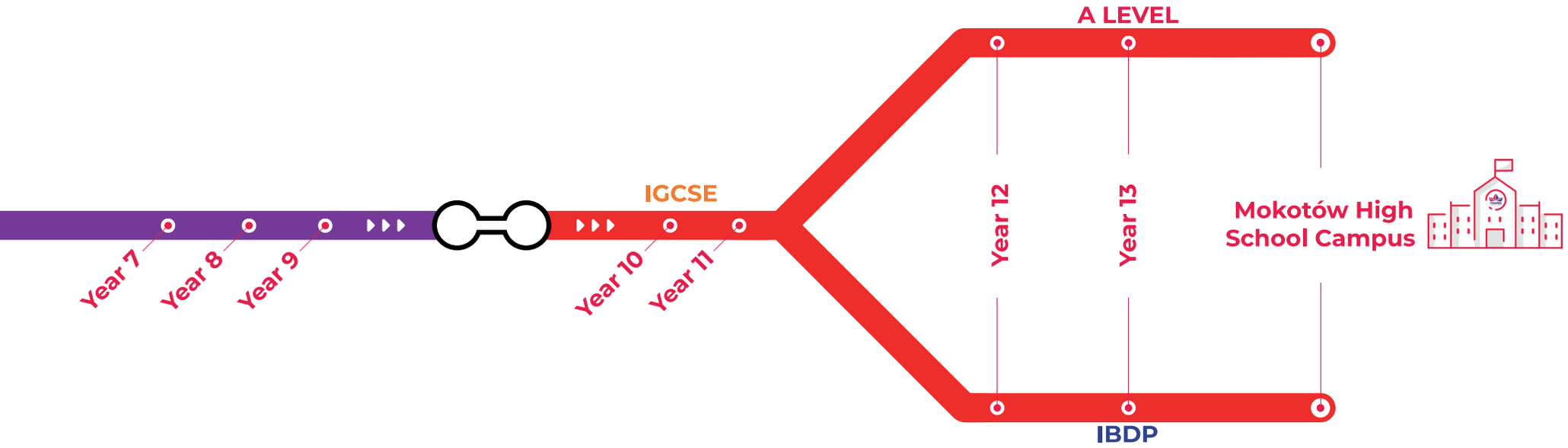
# PLANNING YOUR LEARNING JOURNEY WITH THAMES BRITISH SCHOOL WARSAW





# KEY

- Mokotów Primary Campus
- Ochota Campus
- Wlochy Campus
- Mokotów High School Campus

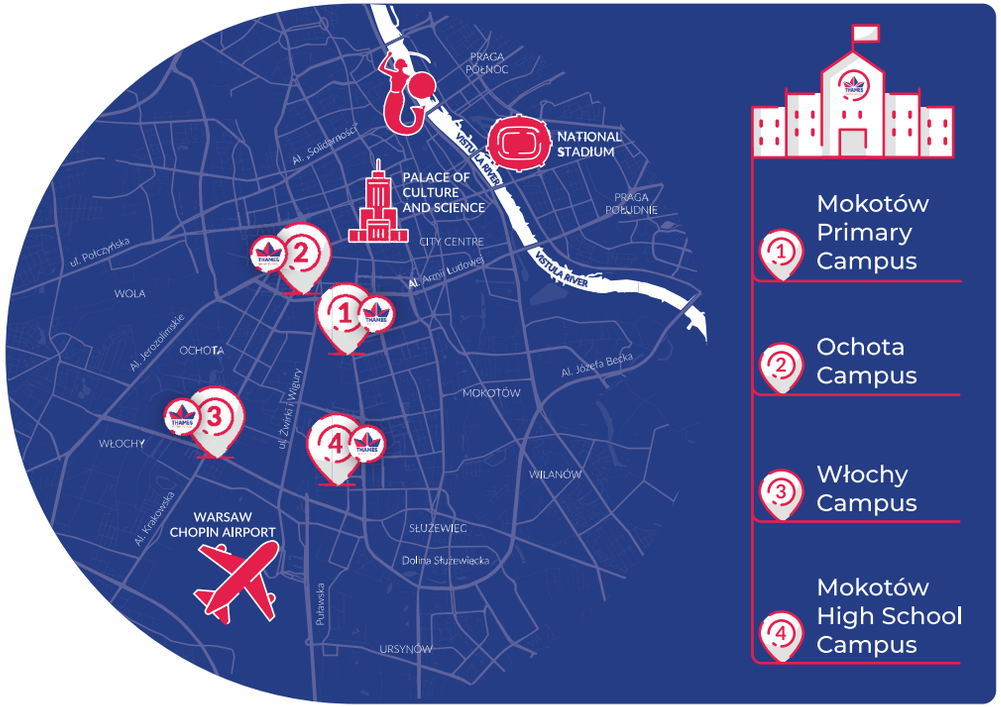



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# OUR CAMPUSES

## OUR 4 CAMPUSES

Thames British School has four campuses with excellent facilities operating in Warsaw. One is located in the Ochota district of Warsaw, near to the city center, another two are in the Mokotów district (including a new High School campus), and one is in the Włochy district near Warsaw's business hub.




Preschool and Primary School

### MOKOTÓW PRIMARY CAMPUS

from Nursery (2.5 years old)
to Year 6 (10 – 11 years old)

Primary School

### OCHOTA CAMPUS

from Year 1 (5–6 years old)
to Year 6 (10 – 11 years old)

Preschool, Primary School, Lower Secondary School

### WŁOCHY CAMPUS

from Nursery (2.5 years old)
to Year 9 (13–14 years old)

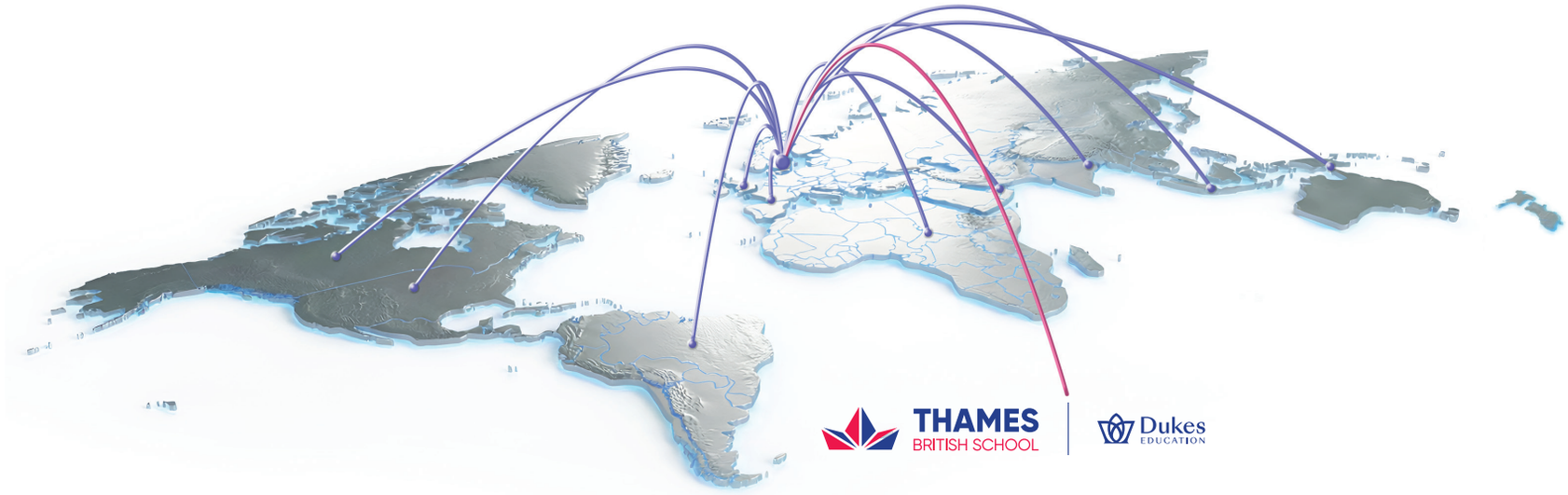
IGCSE, A-Levels, IB DP

### MOKOTÓW HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS

from Year 10 (14–15 years old)
to Year 13 (17–18 years old)


LONDON
Mathematics

# THAMES BRITISH SCHOOL WARSAW IN NUMBERS




**Nationalities**
more than 50

**Students**
more than 750

**Campuses**
4

**Qualified Teachers**
more than 70

**Graduates**
more than 200

**World Curricula**
3 programmes


Coffea Arabica
Puerto Rico
Thespesia
Protea
Ísland
Sverige
TÜRKİYE
قطر

# FROM CHILDHOOD TO ADULTHOOD: A LIFELONG JOURNEY AT OUR SCHOOL CAMPUSES

## Preschool



Nursery, Reception
2.5-5 years old

## Primary School



Year 1 - Year 6
5-11 years old

## Secondary School

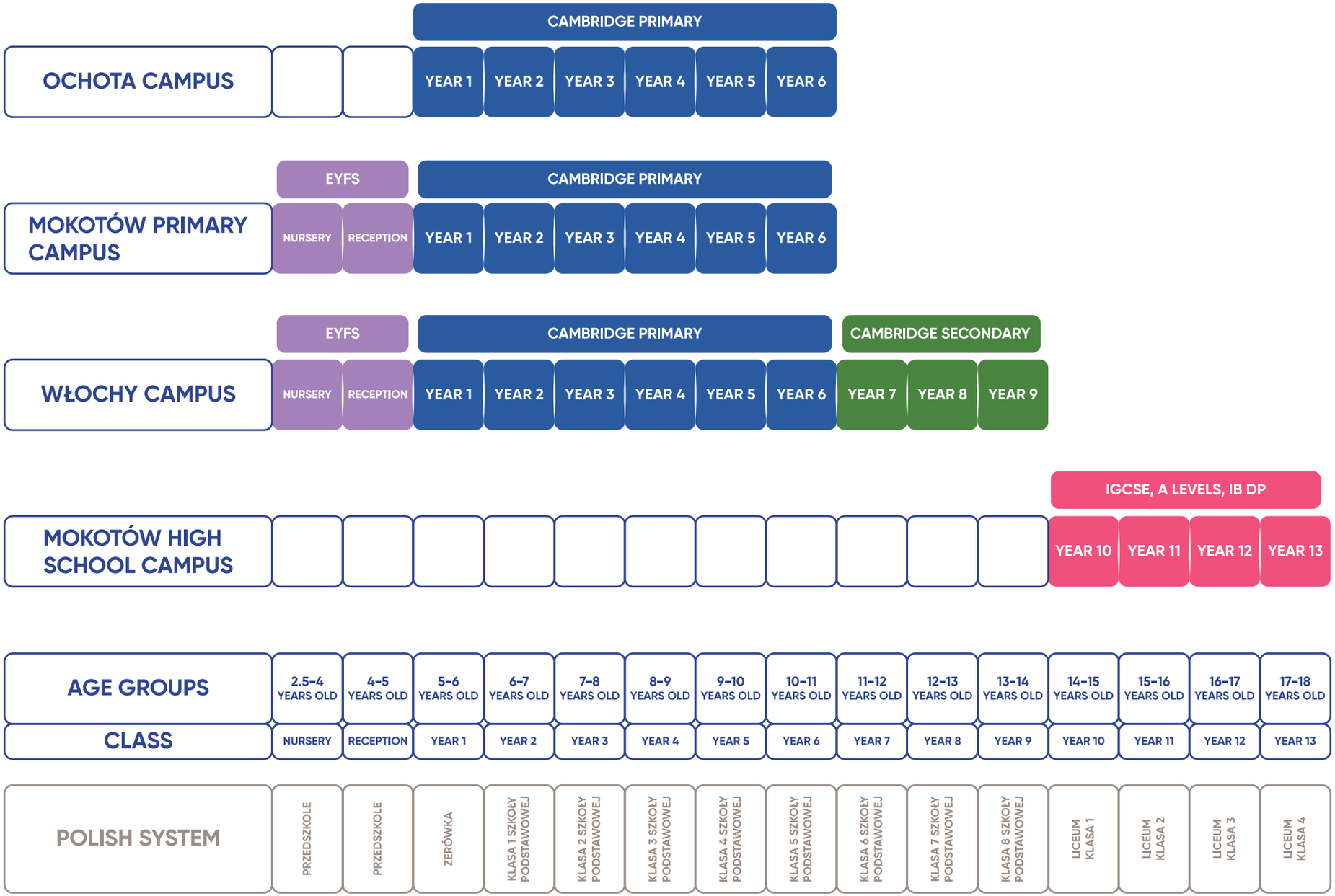


Year 7 - Year 9
11-14 years old

## High School



Year 10 - Year 13
14-18 years old


CAMBRIDGE PRIMARY
OCHOTA CAMPUS
YEAR 1
YEAR 2
YEAR 3
YEAR 4
YEAR 5
YEAR 6
EYFS
CAMBRIDGE PRIMARY
MOKOTÓW PRIMARY CAMPUS
NURSERY
RECEPTION
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YEAR 2
YEAR 3
YEAR 4
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EYFS
CAMBRIDGE PRIMARY
CAMBRIDGE SECONDARY
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LICEUM KLASA 4

# ADMISSIONS PROCEDURE

### Step 1: Complete the Enquiry Form

### Step 2: Book an Appointment:

### Visit our school campus:

**Schedule an online meeting**

Meet our Admissions Officer, Leadership Team, and teachers to receive comprehensive information about our school.

### Step 3: Submit the documents required by the Admissions Team

### Step 4: Interview, Trial Sessions, and Assessment Requirements

**Pre-School and Primary (Year 1–Year 6):**

An informal interview with the child and a trial session (1–2 days) are required.

**Secondary School (Year 7–Year 9):**

An online written English language test and an informal interview with the child are required. A trial day may be arranged.

**High School – IGCSE (Year 10–Year 11):**

An online written English language test and an interview are required.

**High School – IB DP or A Levels** (Year 12–Year 13):**

An online written English language test, an interview, and a meeting with the High School Principal or the IB DP / A level Academic Head are required.

*For all students, a meeting with the school psychologist may be recommended.
**** Students choose between the IB Diploma Programme and A Levels in Years 12–13.**

### Step 5: Admissions Decision and Enrolment Form (for accepted candidates only)

Once the admissions process has been successfully completed, our Admissions Team will email you the Enrolment Form.

### Step 6: Secure Your Place at Our School

Confirm your place at the school by signing the contract.




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First Language English
Coursebook

**We value and foster strong Schools Partnerships.**

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