



Welcome to ISP!

High School Virtual Orientation

Friday, August 21st 2026



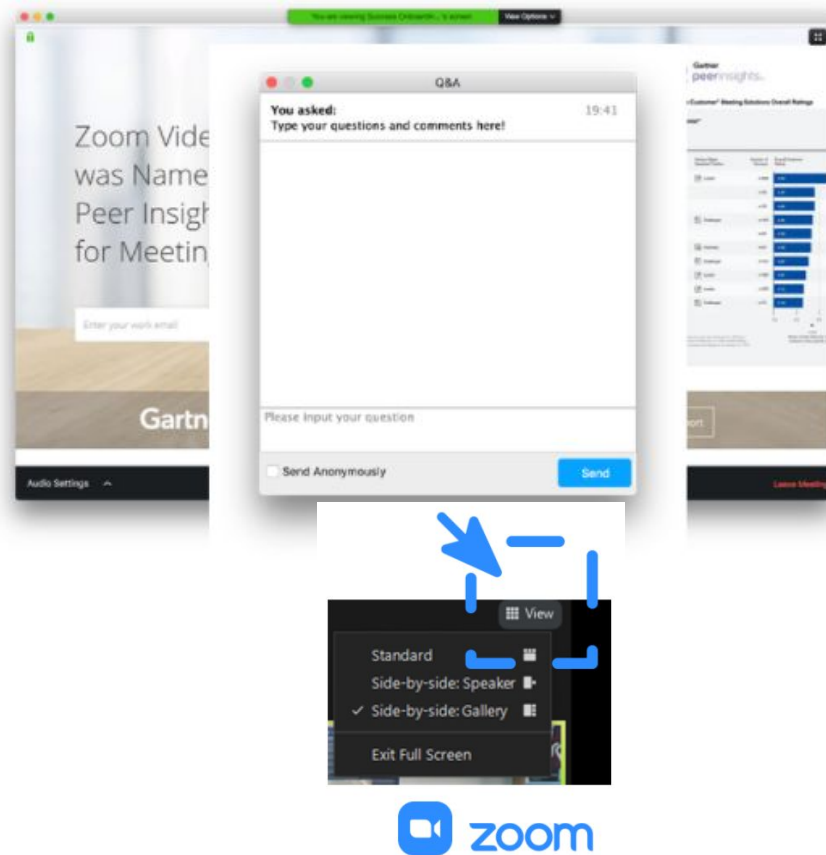
About this webinar

We are going to keep this public.

All general participant cameras and audio are disabled - no one will see your name or questions.

Please feel free to submit questions (only host/panelists can see) at any time during the webinar.

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Virtual Orientation overview - 15.00 - 16.00

- Welcome from Head of School - Antoine Delaitre
- Introduction to the ISP Community - High School Principal - Damian Kerr
- Learning programmes - International Baccalaureate MYP (G10) and DP (G11 + 12)
- Student Wellbeing and Learning Support
- Overview of ISP communications and resources
- Your first weeks at ISP - what to expect!
- Questions and Answers!

ISP Head of School

Antoine Delaitre



Dear ISP Families,

"Language, identity, place, home: these are all of a piece, just different elements of belonging and not-belonging." These words by Jhumpa Lahiri, the Indian-American author and Pulitzer Prize winner, resonate deeply with the experience of so many in our community. As we begin a new school year at the International School of Paris, they capture something essential about the journey ahead. Whether you are arriving in Paris for the first time or returning to ISP after the summer, each new beginning brings opportunities to grow, connect, and discover. I warmly welcome you into **a community dedicated to Educating for Complexity**, a mission that fosters curiosity, empathy, and understanding in an increasingly interconnected world.

With over 700 students representing more than 60 nationalities, ISP is a vibrant international school rooted in shared values and rich diversity. For families who are new to Paris, the transition may feel both exciting and unfamiliar, but our team, students, and parents are ready to support you with warmth, care, and a strong sense of belonging.

At ISP, we place students at the centre of their learning journey. Across all three **International Baccalaureate** (IB) programmes, our approach encourages experiential learning, inquiry, critical thinking, and student voice. Whether through classroom learning, extended curriculum activities, or service projects, we aim to equip students with the skills and confidence to navigate complexity and make a positive impact. We are also proud to foster **strong partnerships** between students, teachers, and families, knowing that community is essential to learning.

As we begin this new academic year together, I look forward to getting to know your family and supporting your children as they learn, grow, and thrive. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me or any member of our staff if we can help or answer any questions along the way.

Welcome (back) to ISP and to Paris. We're so glad you're here.

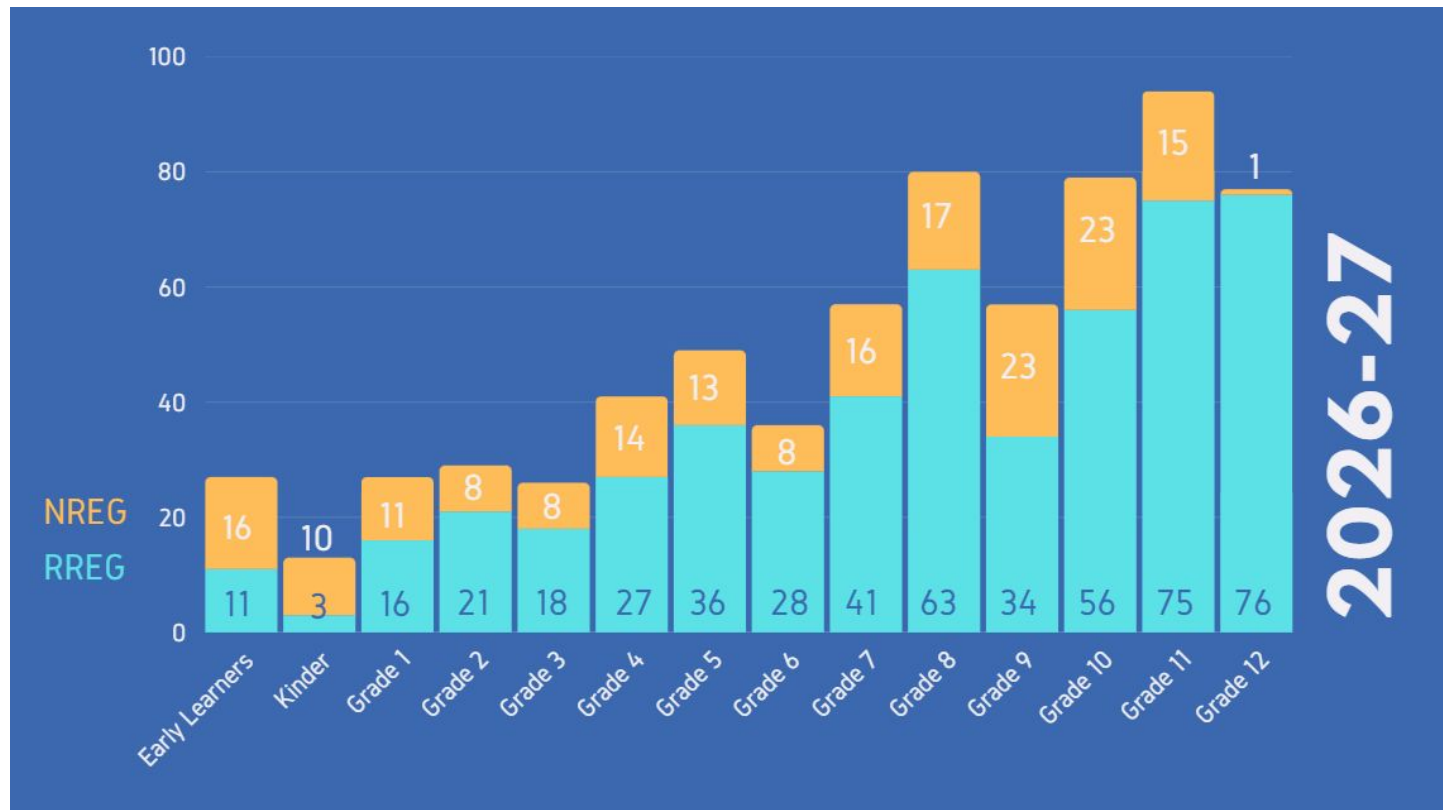
The High School Leadership Team

Damian Kerr	High School Principal	Grades 10 - 12
Mike Kopp	High School Vice Principal Wellbeing	Grades 10 - 12
Bridget Martin	IB Middle Years Programme Coordinator	Grades 6 - 10
Grant Woodcock	IB Diploma Programme Coordinator	Grades 11 - 12

Our High School

- High School (6 & 13, rue Beethoven, 75016)
- **240 - 250 students** in G10 - 12
- **18 students** or fewer per class
- ISP Students: **70+ nationalities, 35+ different languages**
- ISP Staff: **30+ nationalities, 15+ different languages**
- **+/- 200 different classes** (subjects, levels, grades) in High School
- Highly successful university counselling programme

Student Numbers



2026-27



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1 Learning for Complexity

We prepare students for the opportunities and challenges of living in a dynamic, interconnected, rapidly evolving world.

GUIDING STATEMENTS



1. Learning For Complexity

2. Embracing Diversity
3. Inquiry, Innovation and Learning
4. Learning to Be Well
5. Global Citizenship
6. Language Learning
7. Experiential and Service Learning

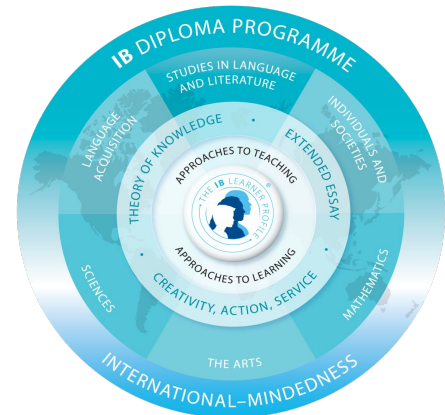
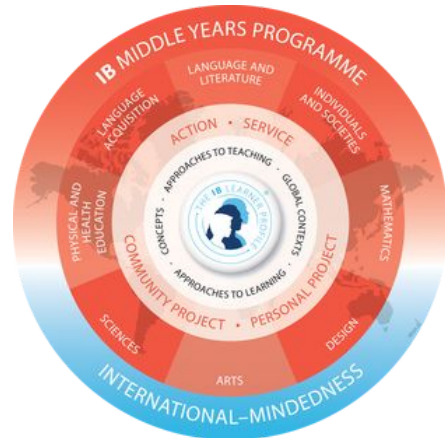
High Quality Learning Definition

High quality learning is a social and experiential practice. It sparks students' curiosity and stimulates their natural creativity. It inspires them to strive for excellence, and to take ownership of their own inquiry and research. It shapes the learner and the learning community, nurturing growth and new understandings.



International Baccalaureate (IB) at ISP

- IB Continuum school
- IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) - G6 -10
- IB Diploma Programme (DP) - G11 - 12
- Service Learning - Community Engagement (CE) G10; Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS) DP
- Approaches to Teaching (ATT) & Learning (ATL)
- Conceptual, skills and inquiry-based learning
- Real-world contexts



Example timetable - Grade 10 (MYP)

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HR	8.50 - 9.00	Homeroom	Homeroom	Homeroom	Homeroom	Homeroom
P1	9.00 - 9.45	English	PHE	Design	Humanities	World Language
P2	9.45 - 10.30	English	PHE	Design	Humanities	World Language
Break	10.30 - 10.45	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
P3	10.45 - 11.30	Design	PHE	World Language	English	Maths
P4	11.30 - 12.15	Design	PHE	World Language	English	Maths
Lunch	12.15 - 13.15	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
P5	13.15 - 14.00	French	Science	Humanities	Maths	Arts
P6	14.00 - 14.45	French	Science	Humanities	Maths	Arts
Break	14.45 - 15.00	Break	Break	-	Break	Break
P7	15.00 - 15.45	Advisory	Arts	-	French	Science
P8	15.45 - 16.30	PSE	Arts	-	French	Science

Example timetable - Grades 11 - 12 (DP)

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HR	8.50 - 9.00	-	-	-	-	-
P1	9.00 - 9.45		Biology HL	History SL	Film HL	
P2	9.45 - 10.30	Advisory	Biology HL	History SL	Film HL	
Break	10.30 - 10.45	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
P3	10.45 - 11.30	Biology HL		Math AA SL	Math AA SL	French B SL
P4	11.30 - 12.15	Biology HL		Math AA SL	Math AA SL	French B SL
Lunch	12.15 - 13.15	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
P5	13.15 - 14.00	Film HL	English A HL		TOK	English A HL
P6	14.00 - 14.45	Film HL	English A HL		TOK	English A HL
Break	14.45 - 15.00	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
P7	15.00 - 15.45	French B SL	Film HL	English A HL	Biology HL	History SL
P8	15.45 - 16.30	French B SL	Film HL	English A HL	Biology HL	History SL

Support for your child at High School

At ISP, wellbeing means caring and connecting.

Together we aspire towards wellbeing in the following ways:

- **Emotional:** cultivating an environment in which we know we can be ourselves
- **Physical:** encouraging a balanced, safe, and healthy way of living
- **Relational:** connecting, communicating, and maintaining support networks
- **Belonging:** feeling part of our diverse and inclusive community
- **Responsibility:** ensuring those who come after us can also be well

Support for your child at High School

Grade Level Leaders

- Lead the Homeroom Teacher teams and their response to any wellbeing concerns within their grade levels.
- Lead the development of the Advisory Curriculum.

Homeroom Teachers

- First point of contact for any wellbeing concerns.
- G10 see their Homeroom students on a daily basis. G11 & 12 individually over the semester
- Deliver the Advisory Curriculum.

Our Support Team

**Secondary Vice-Principal
Student Wellbeing
Mike Kopp**

- Responsible for the WB team
- Meets regularly with the Counselor, Nurses, Heads of Grades and Learning Support Coordinator
- Meets with students and parents
- Responsible for Safeguarding and Child Protection



**School Counsellors
Sandrine Paillasse &
Lou-Anne Le Mener**

- Gives advice on how to support children
- Provides a therapeutic service
- Offers support in cases of social, emotional, psychological or behavioural difficulties



**School Nurse
Sophie Michela**

- Treats students
- Provides workshops on health and wellbeing
- Completes IHP's
- Maintains strong links with external services
- Conducts regular checks-eyes / head lice etc



**Learning Support
Department Leader
Anita Brady**

- Manages LS team
- Supports students identified as needing extra support
- Maintains links with external agencies
- Meets and supports parents



Advisory Programme (Grades 10 - 12)

The Advisory Programme covers aspects of the Curriculum that support academic development but might not be explicitly taught within subjects.

These might include:

- School life
- Preparation for the future
- Core aspects of the DP and MYP programmes

Grade 10, 11 and 12 students will have one period of Advisory per week, with their Homeroom teacher.



PSE Programme (Grade 10)

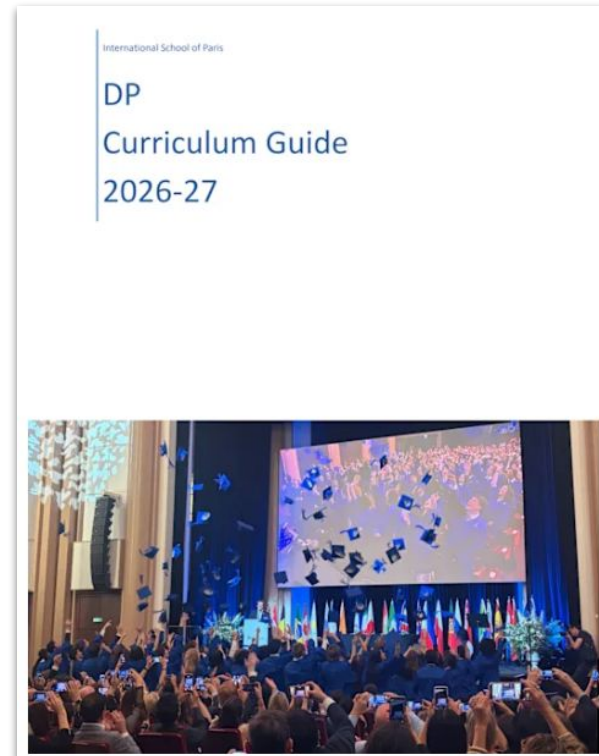
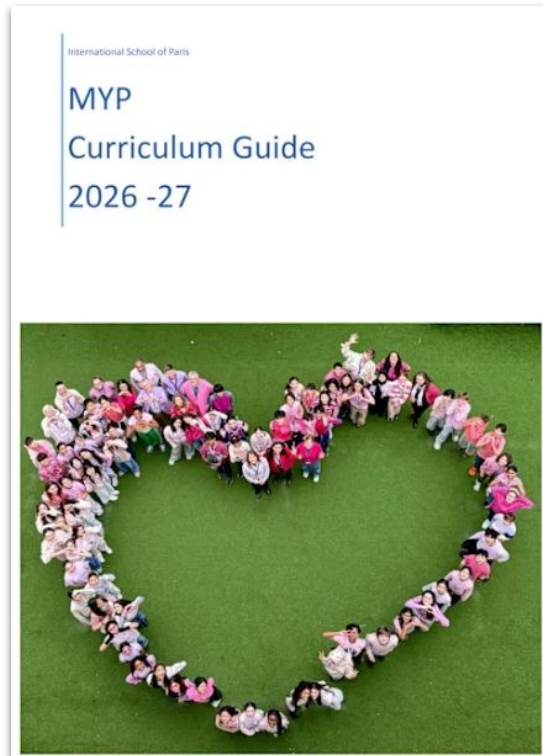
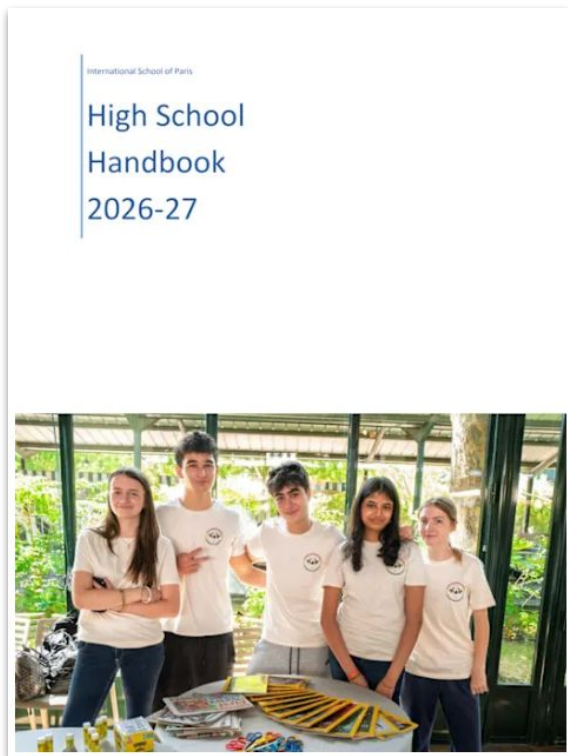
The Personal & Social Education (PSE) programme is

- Healthy relationships
- Self-management skills
- Health and sex education
- School life and family life
- Digital citizenship.

Grade 10 students will have one period of Personal & Social Education (PSE) per week.

The programme is a dynamic one, allowing us to address issues which arise throughout the year.

Information for Parents



ManageBac

- Units of Inquiry
- Upcoming Assessments
- Students upload work and receive grades and feedback
- Parents can view teacher feedback
- Report cards

Parents will receive ManageBac logins within the first few weeks of school.

The screenshot displays the ManageBac app interface. On the left is a dark sidebar menu with a user profile for Rachel and various navigation options. The main content area on the right shows the user's profile and a list of classes with their respective schedules.

Sidebar Menu:

- Rachel
- General
- Academics
- Portfolio
- Calendar
- Profile
- Messages
- Reference
 - Timetables
 - Attendance
 - Reports
 - Behaviour
- Parents Association
 - Overview
 - Calendar

Main Content Area:

Rachel Epelbaum
MYP 5 – IB MYP Class of 2021 (MYP 5)

Classes in IB Middle Years

IB MYP Japanese Phases 3, 4 (MYP 5)

Thu	Fri	Mon	Tue	Wed	
-	-	P: 2	P: 3	P: 4	1 Absence

IB MYP Physical Education (MYP 5)

Thu	Fri	Mon	Tue	Wed	
-	-	P: 6	P: 6	P: 6	1 Absence

IB MYP Design (MYP 5)

Thu	Fri	Mon	Tue	Wed	
-	-	P: 1	-	P: 1	1 Absence

IB MYP Standard mathematics (MYP 5)

Field Trip Week 14th -18th September, 2026

Grade 10 :

- Monday 14th September: Transition Day at Beethoven Campus
- Tuesday 15th - Friday 18th September: Trip to Anglet in SW France

Grade 11:

- Monday 14th - Friday 18th September: DP focused transition week looking at team building, Wellbeing, ATLs, TOK, EE and CAS

Grade 12:

- Monday 14th - Friday 18th September: Week devoted to Internal Assessments, university applications and TOK, EE and CAS

*All G10 and G11 students will require valid swim certificates. **Swim tests will take place during week 1** (swim cap, body fitting swimsuit or trunks, goggles are mandatory)



Extended Curriculum Activities (ECAs) and Sports

Monday to Friday
Lunchtime and after school
16.30 - 17.30 (or later for sport teams)

Registration from **Monday, 31 August**
ECA Fair: **First week of school**



Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

The PTA is a group of volunteers who support the family community at ISP, and includes class, grade and campus representatives alongside an executive leadership body.

Events : Welcome Back Picnic, PTA Presents Paris workshop (September), regular Togetherness Coffee meet ups, Trivia and Bingo Night, Staff Appreciation Day, language conversation groups, walking tours and much more!

Communication : WhatsApp, Facebook and Instagram groups + Ambassador programme!



ISP COMMUNICATIONS PLATFORMS



"ISP News" Emails

We send regular emails using the subject label "ISP News" to keep you updated on everything happening at school.



Newsletter

Our weekly newsletter, sent Sundays at 18:00, offers a snapshot of school-wide updates.



Parent Portal

The Parent Portal is your main hub for staying informed and connected year-round.



Social Channels

Get a glimpse of school life and daily highlights by following us on our social channels!

PEDAGOGICAL TOOLS



ManageBac

ManageBac is our platform for parents to access curriculum plans, grades, and progress reports.



SeeSaw

Seesaw is a digital platform where students share learning and parents stay connected to classroom activities.



Maia Learning

Maia Learning is a platform that supports students with college and career planning, helping families stay informed.



Google Classroom

Google Classroom shares assignments and resources to keep students organized and parents informed.

Family Communication



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INFORMATION - IB Diploma Results 2026

Dear ISP Community,

As we prepare to welcome our new and returning students back to school in only a few weeks, we are also delighted to take a moment to congratulate and remember the graduating class of 2026 on their very strong [IB Diploma Results](#).

As an inclusive IB World School, we are proud to announce a 97% pass rate for the Class of 2026 with an average points score of 33.5 points.

40% of all ISP students attained 36 points or above, 64% of ISP students qualified for the IB bilingual diploma, well above the world average, and this includes exams spanning 10 different mother tongue languages.



Last week, our Grade 7 students took part in a Poetry and Mindfulness Workshop in the courtyard, enjoying a moment of creativity and reflection in the fresh air. As part of the experience, they designed their own bookmarks, combining artistic expression with thoughtful inspiration. A wonderful opportunity to nurture both mindfulness and imagination!

ISP News

Sunday, June 21st
Newsletter 36



Message from the Head of School

Family Communication

Parent Portal

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- ISP News Archive
- School Directory
- Calendars
- Pedagogical resources
- Presentations
- Policies
- PTA and Board
- ECAs

Welcome to the Parent Portal!

Important School Messages

The ISP Parent Portal is your central access point for everything you need to stay informed and connected throughout the school year.

We're also excited to share important school messages here for the 2026–27 academic year, helping you stay up to date with all that's happening at ISP.



Preparing for your First Day

- Homeroom Assignments / Class Schedules
- Student Badge
- What to have on the first day (materials etc.)
- Technology - laptop
- Updating your contact details
- [Parent Portal](#), [Back to School](#) and [Welcome to ISP mailer](#)



First Days of School

High School Campus - 6, rue Beethoven

- **Grade 12** 9.00 - 12.00 **Monday, 31 August**
 13.15 - 16.30 **Tuesday, 1 September**
- **Grade 11** 9.00 - 16.30 **Tuesday, 1 September**
- **Grade 10** 9.20 - 16.30 **Tuesday, 1 September**

Normal school hours will resume from **Wednesday, 2 September**

New Family Orientations - Friday, 28 August

High School Campus - 6, rue Beethoven

- **Grades 10, 11 and 12:** 9.00 - 10.15 *Gates open as of 8.30*
- **Grades 10 students only:** 10.30 - 12.30

Students to meet the Wellbeing Team and student ambassadors, take campus tours, receive badges, platform log-ins and have the chance to ask questions!
Parents will meet key members of staff, our PTA ambassadors, and each other.
Students - don't forget your laptops!

Save the Dates!

Please check the master calendar for up-to-date information: time, location and format (links to all calendars on the [Parent Portal](#) (password - 2026parent!5P))

28 Aug		New Family Orientation, High School Campus
30 Aug	13:30	PTA Back-to-School Picnic for all families (Ranelagh park)
31 Aug	9:00	Grade 12 (ONLY) First Day of School
31 Aug		ECA registration begins for all students (online, via SchoolsBuddy); First Day G12
01 Sep		First Day of School
	9:00	Grade 11
	9:20	Grade 10
	13:15	Grade 12
01 Sep	9:00	PTA Back to School Coffee (Le Bois - 29, rue Bois le Vent)
07 Sep	17:30	High School Meet the Teachers and G10 Field Trip Information Session
09 Sep	9:00	Whole School Parent Coffee Morning (Middle School Campus)
14-18 Sep		G10 Field Trip (departure 15 Sept) / G11 Connections Week
17 Sep	9:30	PTA Presents Paris workshop (Middle School Campus)
22 Sep	18:00	Supporting Your Teen in the IBDP (High School Campus)
21 Sep		Middle and High School ECAs begin
06 Oct	18:00	Grade 10 Personal Project & e-Assessment Information Session

FAQs

What about lunch?

What is the ISP phone policy?

What do I do if my child is sick or will be absent from a lesson?

Questions and Answers



**We look forward to seeing you during
orientations next Friday 28 August!**

