

1. What is the IB Diploma Programme (DP)?

The IB DP is a two-year educational programme for students aged 16–19 that is internationally recognized and prepares students for university and life beyond.

2. Who is the DP designed for?

It is ideal for students who are academically motivated, curious, and open-minded, and who want a well-rounded education that encourages inquiry and international-mindedness.

3. What subjects are offered at our school for the DP?

Students can choose from six subject groups:

- In Group 1: Language and Literature- Modern Greek and English Language and Literature
- In Group 2: Language Acquisition- French, Spanish and English.
- In Group 3: Individuals and Societies- History, Geography, Psychology and Economics
- In Group 4: Sciences- Chemistry, Biology and Physics
- In Group 5: Mathematics- Maths AA
- In Group 6: The Arts- Visual Arts

4. What is the Core of the DP?

The Core consists of:

- Theory of Knowledge (TOK) – encourages critical thinking about knowledge itself.
- Extended Essay (EE) – a 4,000-word independent research paper.
- Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) – experiential learning through real-life activities.

5. Is the DP recognised by universities?

Yes, the DP is widely recognized by leading universities around the world for its academic rigor and emphasis on independent learning.

6. What support is available for students during the DP?

Students receive academic mentoring, support from subject teachers, guidance from a DP Coordinator, and well-being support from counsellors and the pastoral team.

7. What is the assessment structure in the DP?

Assessment includes both internal assessments (IAs) and external assessments, mainly exams at the end of the two years. Each subject has its own criteria and methods of evaluation.

8. How many subjects do students take in the DP?

Students take six subjects: three at Higher Level (HL) and three at Standard Level (SL), along with the DP Core.

9. How does the DP encourage international-mindedness?

Through curriculum content, the IB learner profile, multilingualism, and global themes in coursework, the DP fosters an awareness of global issues and diverse perspectives.

10. How does CAS work in practice?

Students design their own CAS experiences across the three strands. Activities may include community service, artistic pursuits, physical activity, and projects that combine elements of all three.

11. What kind of students thrive in the DP?

Students who are independent, organized, curious, reflective, and eager to contribute to their communities typically thrive in the DP environment.

12. What is the role of parents in supporting a DP student?

Parents can support by encouraging time management, being involved in their child's learning journey, attending school events, and maintaining open communication with the school.

13. How do students balance the DP workload?

Time management, organizational skills, and school-provided support structures (like supervision periods, CAS coordinators, and EE supervisors) help students manage their responsibilities.

14. How does the school prepare students for the DP?

Through pre-DP preparation, subject choice guidance, taster/orientation sessions, and regular check-ins to ensure students are making informed and appropriate academic decisions.

15. What happens after completing the IB DP?

Graduates can apply to top universities globally. They also leave with strong critical thinking, communication, and research skills, and a sense of civic and global responsibility.

16. Is there a minimum grade requirement to enter the DP at this school?

Yes, entry criteria will be shared during the session and may include academic grades, work ethic, and readiness for the DP workload.