



Year 4 Pre-International Baccalaureate (Pre-IB) Programme Overview

The Year 4 Pre-IB programme is a course aimed at preparing students who are still acquiring English language skills for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) in the following two years. Most students commence this course either 12 or 6 months prior to the commencement of their IBDP studies. However, entry can be made at other times during the year, this can be discussed during the admissions process.

The Pre-IB Bridging programme focuses on developing English language skills in addition to developing competency in other subjects. Pre-IB students have usually completed a four year middle school programme in another territory prior to joining ACS (International).

Students do not sit the external IGCSE or O Level examinations at the end of the year but instead focus on building a strong academic foundation as preparation for the demanding Diploma years. They do, however, sit the school's internal examinations and must pass the end of year examinations, including English language, in order to progress to the IBDP.

Subjects Studied	Periods per Week	
Research Skills	1	
English	6	
Maths	3	
Chemistry	3	To choose 2 out of the 4 Sciences.
Biology	3	
Physics	3	
Sports, Exercise & Health Science	3	
Global Perspectives	3	
Economics & Business Management	3	
The Arts	2	
PE	1	
Total	25	



All students take a common course as per the table above. Students take two out of three Sciences.

This programme enables students to choose from a range of subjects for the IB Diploma. IB Diploma Students must take six subjects which include an English course, a second language, Mathematics, a Humanities subject and a Science subject. The sixth subject can be either a second Humanities, a second Science or Visual Arts, Music or Theatre. Three of the subjects are taken at an advanced Higher Level and three at Standard Level. The IB Core – the Extended Essay, Theory of Knowledge, and the Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS) components complete the course of study. For more detailed information please see www.ibo.org.

Entry Requirements

- Students completing Year 3 (Grade 9) may apply. Applicants will be expected to write an admission test covering English, Maths & Science. Applicants must elect two of the three Sciences to be tested. The English & Maths tests are in one session whereas the Science test will be in the next session. There will also be an interview.
- Pre-IB students are expected to sit and pass in the school's interview and progression examination at the end of the year. Only successful students will be promoted into the IB Diploma.

Pre-IB Costs

- Fees outlined per Fee Schedule.