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At Dwight, we nurture the whole child as an inquirer, both in the classroom and beyond. Grounded in the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (PYP), our curriculum develops independent, critical thinkers who take ownership of their learning.

Through a broad and balanced curriculum, including mathematics, science, language and literacy, the arts, physical education, Arabic, and a choice of French, Mandarin, or Spanish, students gain the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to thrive in a global world.

The Primary Years Programme inspires curiosity, confidence, and compassion. Through inquiry, transdisciplinary learning, and real-world action, students grow into independent thinkers, ethical decision-makers, and globally minded citizens.



OUR APPROACH TO LEARNING

Every child is unique, and we celebrate their individual strengths, what we call their spark of genius. Our educators personalise learning through tailored enrichment, mentorship, and opportunities for students to explore their passions.

At the heart of the PYP is the IB Learner Profile, which shapes students into internationally minded individuals. Through this, students develop attributes such as being inquirers, thinkers, communicators, and caring, principled individuals, building the mindset and values needed to thrive in a global world.

From KG2 to Grade 5, students engage in six units of inquiry each year, where they explore concepts in depth, make meaningful connections, and develop a strong sense of curiosity and understanding.

Transdisciplinary Learning

Learning at Dwight goes beyond traditional subjects. Through six transdisciplinary themes, students connect ideas across disciplines and explore concepts that are relevant to the real world:

- Who We Are – Understanding the self, relationships, and well-being
- Where We Are in Place and Time – Exploring history, geography, personal journeys
- How We Express Ourselves – Creativity, ideas, and culture
- How the World Works – Science, technology, and the natural world
- How We Organise Ourselves – Systems, communities, and society
- Sharing the Planet – Responsibility, sustainability, and collaboration

Through these inquiries, students investigate important ideas, develop agency, and take meaningful action, preparing them to contribute positively to their communities.

Approaches to Learning (ATL)

We place a strong emphasis not only on what students learn, but how they learn. Through the Primary Years Programme Approaches to Learning, students develop essential skills across five key areas:

- Thinking
- Communication
- Social
- Self-management
- Research

These skills empower students to approach challenges with confidence, think critically, and become reflective, independent learners.

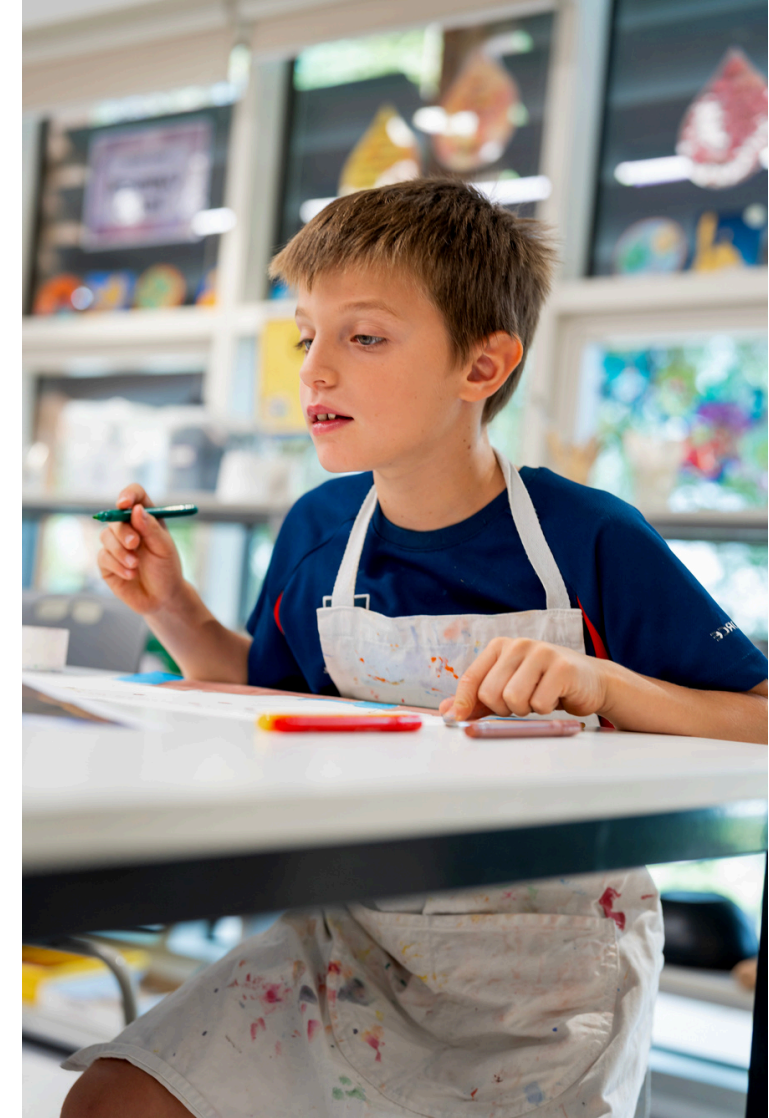
Action & The PYP Exhibition

Learning at Dwight is designed to extend beyond the classroom. Students are encouraged to apply their knowledge through action, reflection, and real-world engagement.

The Grade 5 PYP Exhibition is a culminating, student-led inquiry where learners:

- Demonstrate independence and responsibility for their learning
- Explore multiple perspectives
- Connect their learning to real-world issues
- Take meaningful action within their community

This experience reflects the very heart of the PYP, developing students who are engaged, capable, and inspired to make a difference.





BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Our Primary Years Programme faculty are experienced, passionate, and highly qualified educators and Learning Support Assistants. Together, they create nurturing, stimulating classrooms where every child is encouraged to explore, take risks, and achieve their full potential.

We view parents as essential partners in this journey. Through weekly updates, photos, and an open-door approach, families remain connected and involved, helping every child feel supported, valued, and celebrated.

Learning at Dwight extends beyond the classroom through our carefully designed extra-curricular programme. Students are encouraged to discover new interests, develop their talents, and build confidence in a fun and supportive environment. Activities change each term to reflect student interests and seasonal opportunities, while complementing the Primary Years curriculum and fostering creativity, curiosity, and collaboration.

Our Primary Years ECA programme offers a diverse range of opportunities, including:

- Sports & Wellbeing – football, basketball, swimming, and mindfulness clubs promote teamwork, resilience, and healthy lifestyles.
- Creative & Performing Arts – choir, art, drama, and dance provide platforms for self-expression and creativity.
- Academic & Enrichment – activities such as public speaking, science, languages, and sustainability clubs build confidence, curiosity, and critical thinking.



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