

## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

### ENTRANCE EXAM SYLLABUS

The exam is designed following the requirements of the IGCSE exam in English as a Second language intended for students for whom English is not a first language/mother tongue but for whom it will be a language of study in the IB diploma programme.

The exam question paper is divided into two parts: Reading and Writing.

Reading task will consist of a number of texts and will examine students' ability to

- identify both stated and implied information,
- identify main ideas and supporting details,
- draw conclusions and recognize implied opinions and attitudes,
- identify some aspects of style,
- select and organise material relevant to specific purposes,
- summarize.

Writing task will be to write a 250-word essay on a topic dealing with the following: **school community life, rights and responsibilities** or **entertainment**.

The essay will examine students' ability to

- provide information and ideas,
- develop ideas,
- express opinion effectively,
- communicate clearly, accurately and appropriately,
- correctly use a range of vocabulary and basic grammatical structures.

Duration of the exam 1h 30m.