

# Anglo-Chinese School (Independent) SUBJECT SELECTION FOR YEAR 3 & 4 IP (2026/2027)

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### **Year 2 IP Promotion Criteria**



For promotion to Year 3 IP, students need to attain

- 1. An overall aggregate point of at least 26 points based on 6 relevant subjects, and
- 2. A grade requirement of at least grade 4 or better in the 6 relevant subjects

The six relevant subjects for Year 2 are:

- 1. Language Arts
- 2. Mother Tongue\*
- 3. History/Geography
- 4. Mathematics
- 5. Physical Science/Life Sciences
- 6. Any other subject

\*This subject will be replaced with any other subject for a student who has been exempted from offering the Mother Tongue Language.

There will be <u>no re-exam</u>. Failure to meet promotion criteria may result in retention in the same level. School based Academic Awards will only be considered for students who take the full suite of papers in the academic year. Exceptions to this will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

### **Year 3 Subject Option Framework**



- Prescribed subject combinations
- Allow students to offer major subjects based on their strengths
- Open opportunities for future subjects offer in Years 5 & 6 course of study
- Advanced Mathematics is on offer for all students

### Curriculum subjects offered in Year 3 & 4



### Students will offer 8 subjects: 6 compulsory + 2 option subjects

## Compulsory subjects

- Language Arts
- Mother Tongue Language
- International Studies
- Core Mathematics
- Advanced Mathematics
- Chemistry

### Option Subj Humanities

- History
- Geography

### Option Subj Sciences

- Physics
- Biology
- Computer Studies

#### **Others**

- Music
- Art
- Foreign Language

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# Year 3 IP Subject Options (2026 - 2027)



	Option A	Option B	Option C	Option D	Option E	Option A (SBGE)	Option E (SBGE)
1	Language Arts						
2	MT/HMT						
3	International Studies						
4	Core						
5	Mathematics Advanced Mathematics						
6	Chemistry						
7*	Physics	Physics	Physics	Biology	Physics	Physics	Physics
8*	History	Geography	Comp Studies	History	Biology	History	Biology

<sup>\*</sup>optional subjects

# Year 3 IP Subject Options (2026 - 2027)



- 1. Students can choose a maximum of 3 options and are strongly advised to make full use of all the options. The choices should be listed in the order of preference.
- 2. Students who are officially exempted from offering Mother Tongue will not be required to offer MT/HMT.
- 3. Class size is up to a maximum of 35 students. If there are more than 35 students who opt for a particular subject combination, allocation will then be based on academic merit.
- 4. In order to select Option E, students must have a minimum overall score of 225 marks for Enriched Mathematics, Physical Sciences and Life Sciences.
- 5. Students can offer Higher Music (only for MEP students) or Visual Arts in place of any non-compulsory subjects (\*). Classes are held after curriculum hours in the afternoon.
- 6. All MEP students must continue to offer Higher Music as a subject.

# Year 3 IP Subject Options (2026 - 2027)



- 7. Students who wish to continue with 3<sup>rd</sup> Language will not need to write in.
- 8. Students who wish to offer Visual Arts as a 9<sup>th</sup> subject will be required to write to the school.
- 9. Option A (SBGE) and E (SBGE) are available for offer to SBGE students ONLY.
- 10. Students who are sitting for the ACS (Accelerated Class for Science) selection test will have to offer Option E.
- 11. Students who are sitting for the ACH (Accelerated Class for Humanities) selection test will have to offer EITHER Option A OR Option B.
- 12. Computer Studies cannot be used to replace a science subject when computing for IP aggregate points.

### Year 4 Mother Tongue/ Higher Mother Tongue



#### **Mother Tongue**

They will sit for SEC Mid-Year MT Exam at Year 4.

#### **Higher Mother Tongue**

- They will sit for the HMT SEC exam at the end of Year 4.
- If the students withdraw from HMT at the end of Year 3, they will sit for SEC Mid-Year MT Exam at Year 4.

	Mid-year SEC MT Exam @ Yr 4	Year end SEC HMT Exam @ Yr 4		
Mother Tongue	✓			
Higher Mother Tongue		✓		
Drop from HMT to MT (at end of Year 3)	✓			

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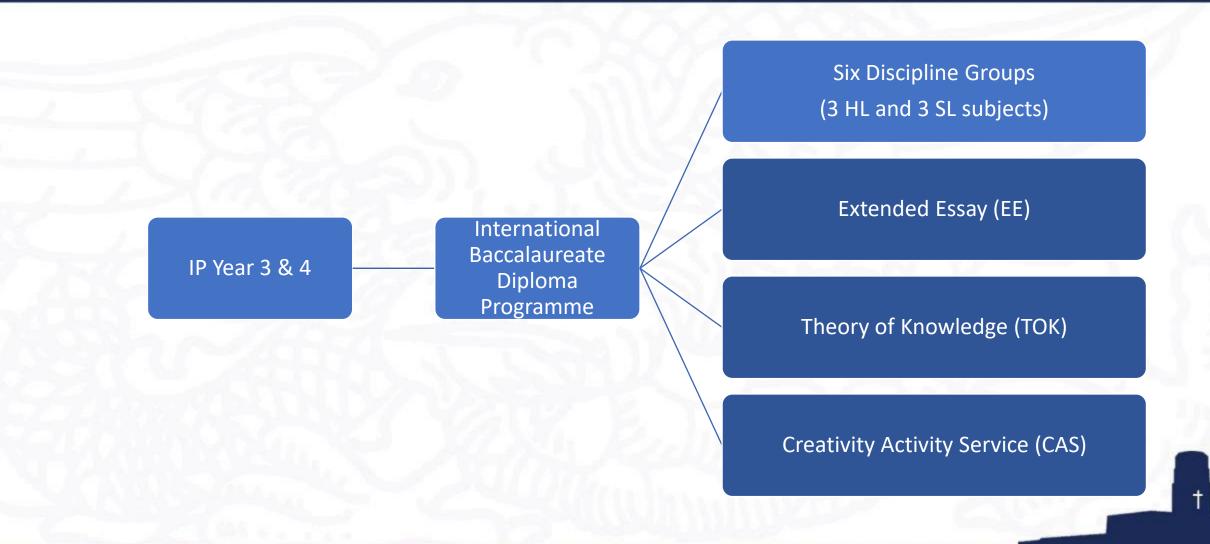
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## IB Subjects offered in Years 5 & 6





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3 HL and 3 SL subjects	First 5 subjects	6 <sup>th</sup> subject*
Group 1: Language A English: Literature (HL) English: Language & Literature (SL/HL)	✓	-
Group 2: 2nd Language Chinese B/ Malay B/Tamil B/Hindi B (SL) ab initio (SL) – Spanish	✓	-
Group 3: Individuals & Societies Business Management (HL/SL) Economics (HL/SL) Geography (HL/SL) History (HL/SL)	✓	✓
Group 4: Experimental Sciences Biology (HL/SL) Chemistry (HL/SL) Physics (HL/SL) Computer Science (HL)	✓	✓
Group 5: Mathematics Mathematics (HL/SL)	✓	<del>-</del>
Group 6: The Arts Music (HL) Visual Arts (HL)	-	✓

#### **6 Discipline Groups**

3 subjects at HL 3 subjects at SL

#### **3 Core Requirements**

- 1. Extended Essay (EE)
- 2. Theory of Knowledge (TOK)
- 3. Creativity Activity Service (CAS)

\*certain exceptions apply

### **IB Subject Prerequisites**



HL subject: at least Grade 6 for the subject in Yr 4

SL subject: at least Grade 4 for the subject in Yr 4

No academic prerequisites for Group 3 subjects

### Year 5 & 6: IBDP Curriculum Group 2 subjects



#### **Group 2: Language Acquisition**

No exemption from Year 5 & 6 Group 2 Subjects, even if MOE had approved this

for Years 1 - 4

#### 2 Levels

- a) Language B: Chinese B/Malay B/Tamil B/Hindi B (SL)
- b) Language ab initio (beginner's language): Spanish ab initio (SL)

To offer an ab initio language, a student must <u>not</u> have taken formal instruction in the language before.

### Year 5 & 6: IBDP Curriculum Group 2 subjects



Subject offered in Years 1 – 4	Option/s in Years 5 - 6
Higher Mother Tongue (HMT)	Offer Language B
	Or
	Offer Language ab initio if they have obtained D7 or better for GCE O-
	Level HMT Exam
Mother Tongue (MT)	Should Language B
	Or
	Offer Language ab initio AND sit for the GCE A-Level H1 MT exam at
	the end of Year 5 as required by MOE bilingual policy
MT in lieu	Offer Lang ab initio AND sit for the GCE A-Level H1 MT exam at the end
(eg Bengali/ Panjabi/ Gujarati/ Urdu/	of Year 5 as required by MOE bilingual policy
German/ Japanese)	
MT Syllabus B	Offer Language ab initio AND sit for GCE A-Level MT Syllabus B exam as
	required by MOE
	Or
	Offer Language B (if they have sufficient proficiency; consult Dean of MT
	on this)
Exempted from MT	Offer Spanish ab initio

# Grading System (Year 5 & 6)



#### Each group subject scores 1-7

<b>Grade Descriptors</b>	<b>Points</b>		
Excellent	7		
Very Good	6		
Good	5		
Satisfactory	4		
Mediocre	3		
Poor	2		
Very Poor	1		

- Combined performance in TOK and EE scores 0-3 (based on Bonus points matrix)
- Total achievable score is  $(7 \times 6) + 3 = 45$
- Minimum score of 24 points for award of IB Diploma and meeting grade requirements

# TOK & EE grading (Year 5 & 6)



			Theory of	of Knowledge			
	1	Excellent A	Good B	Satisfactory C	Mediocre D	Elementary E	No Grade N
	Excellent A	+3	+3	+2	+2	Failing Condition	Failing Condition
	Good B	+3	+2	+2	+1		
Extended Essay	Satisfactory C	+2	+2	+1	0		
	Mediocre D	+2	+1	0	0		
	Elementary E		Failing	Alley,			
	No Grade N			Yes			

- Combined performance in TOK and EE scores 0 − 3 points
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