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English as an Additional Language (EAL)





The EAL Department at BIS Primary

The EAL department provides a specialist English language teaching service for students with identified EAL needs. This support enables them to fully access the curriculum and wider school life at BIS. The EAL programme is a partnership between school and home to create a language environment where students can maximise their progress and development. Our aims are:

- To build English confidence and competence inside and outside the classroom, so that students can fully access the curriculum and maximise their learning at BIS.
- To support the transition from basic interpersonal communication to academic proficiency in English.

EAL Assessment

To determine which students will require EAL support, children may be formally tested as part of the application process, and/or placed on a month-long observation after enrolment. This provides EAL teachers and class teachers with an opportunity to accurately assess the English language ability and needs of each student in all language skills and systems: speaking, listening, reading, writing, grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation.

EAL Support & Curriculum

The assistance children receive from the EAL department may include in-class support, small group withdrawals and one-to-one withdrawals. The teaching follows the school English curriculum, and is tailored to the language needs of each child. It also targets specific language gaps so children can fully access their year group learning in the whole-class setting.



Tier Levels and Provision

In Years 1 to 6, each child is placed on a “Tier level”: Tier 1 for beginners through to Tier 3 for more proficient English users. In F3, the EAL programme offers a single level of provision and is not tiered.

F3 Foundation Programme

- Up to 3 hours of support per week with an EAL specialist
- A combination of small group withdrawals and support in the mainstream class
- There may be further EAL support appropriate for the child’s needs

Year 1-6 Programme

Tier 1

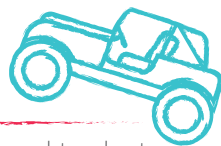
- 5 hours or more of support per week with an EAL specialist
- A combination of small group withdrawals and support in the mainstream classroom
- There may be further EAL support appropriate for the child’s needs

Tier 2

- 3 to 5 hours of support per week with an EAL specialist
- A combination of small group withdrawals and support in the mainstream classroom
- There may be further EAL support appropriate for the child’s needs

Tier 3

- Up to 3 hours of support per week with an EAL specialist
- A combination of small group withdrawals and support in the mainstream classroom
- There may be further EAL support appropriate for the child’s needs



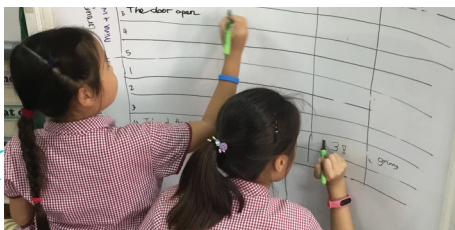
EAL Tier Decisions

The level of EAL support is reviewed termly at which point children may continue on the same tier, move up a tier, or exit the EAL programme. When students exit EAL, they continue to be monitored by their EAL teacher and supported by their class teacher to ensure they are receiving the appropriate language input and can fully access the curriculum.

EAL Fee

A supplementary fee is charged for EAL support. The level of payment is dependent on the child’s tier level. Please refer to the BIS website (www.bisvietnam.com) for more details.

Payment is made once we have confirmed the tier level after the assessment period at which point the BIS Accounts Department will issue an invoice outlining the amount and payment procedure.



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