

# A Strong Academic Foundation

Our curriculum inspires a lifelong love of learning for our students through motivating and meaningful experiences.

Here, your child will flourish academically and develop a rapport with our compassionate and empathetic teachers, who pay close attention to each of our learners' individual needs. Our Elementary School's curriculum encompasses the following subjects:

## Mathematics

A quality math program must demonstrate mathematics as a tool for engaging students in meaningful exploration and investigation. Across all grades, teachers encourage students to use logic and reason to make connections between mathematical topics and other disciplines.

Our math program is focused on how conceptual mathematics helps students understand WHY the math works. Problem-solving through the use of manipulatives helps young children retain ideas so that later, more abstract mathematics makes sense.

## Literacy and Language Arts

Your child will be encouraged to become a thoughtful and effective communicator through the development of skills in reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Students learn to understand and use language successfully in a variety of media and situations. We hope to inspire a love of language in all its forms that will last them a lifetime.

## Science

Your child will have opportunities to discover and develop their own natural curiosity through an understanding of the natural world. Students cover core ideas within four domains: physical science, life science, earth and space science, and engineering. We fuse this learning with exciting experiences that help them understand the world and environment they live in.

## Social Studies

Social studies instruction at BISK is founded upon students understanding the past, present, and future. We address these topics in a highly collaborative, interactive, and hands-on way. As an international school, we provide opportunities to understand the world they live in, including local studies in the host country of Oman and beyond to a global scale.

## Visual Arts

We believe every child is an artist. In our visual arts classes, your child will develop art and visual literacy skills through exposure to a variety of media, techniques, and applications, including printmaking, clay, oil pastels, acrylic paints, and more, so they can develop vital creative thinking skills.

## Music

Elementary students experience a comprehensive, hands-on, and fun-filled approach to music. Our strong music education program creates an abiding love of music and an appreciation of cultures around the world through foundational music skills in singing, listening, movement and playing.

## Physical Education

Physical activity is critical to the development and maintenance of good health. We seek to help your child develop the knowledge, physical and interpersonal skills, and confidence to enjoy a lifetime of healthful physical activity and fitness.

## World Languages

Kurdish as a Heritage Language, Arabic as a Second Language and French as a Foreign Language