

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

### What Year Group will my child be in?

BISS	Age on 31 Aug	United Kingdom	Sweden	United States
Nursery	3	Pre-school	Förskola	Pre-school
Reception	4	Reception	Förskola	Pre-kindergarten
Year 1	5	Year 1	Förskola	Kindergarten
Year 2	6	Year 2	Förskolaklass	1st Grade
Year 3	7	Year 3	Årskurs 1	2nd Grade
Year 4	8	Year 4	Årskurs 2	3rd Grade
Year 5	9	Year 5	Årskurs 3	4th Grade
Year 6	10	Year 6	Årskurs 4	5th Grade
Year 7	11	Year 7	Årskurs 5	6th Grade
Year 8	12	Year 8	Årskurs 6	7th Grade
Year 9	13	Year 9	Årskurs 7	8th Grade
Year 10	14	Year 10	Årskurs 8	9th Grade
Year 11	15	Year 11	Årskurs 9	10th Grade
Year 12	16	Year 12	Årskurs 10	11th Grade
Year 13	17	Year 13	Årskurs 11	12th Grade

# Which campus will my child attend?

Nursery to Year 4 attend Altorp. <u>Go to our virtual tour of Altorp</u> Year 5 to Year 13 attend Ekeby. <u>Go to our virtual tour of Ekeby</u>

# **Does BISS offer school transportation?**

No, we do not offer school transportation. The school is easily accessible from central Stockholm and surrounding areas by public transportation, car or bicycle.

# Does BISS have a school uniform?

No, we do not have a school uniform. We do, however, have a BISS PE kit.

# Does BISS have an entrance exam?

No, BISS is a non-selective School with no entrance exam.

# Does my local municipality (kommun) pay the school fees?

No, the fees shown are the fees to parents and they already have your municipality (kommun) contribution taken into account. <u>Go to our Terms of Payment</u>

#### Do you assist with visas to enter Sweden?

No, unfortunately we do not assist with visas.



# Can I apply prior to my child receiving their Swedish personal number?

Yes, you can still complete the application form, however, please notify admissions once the number is received. Otherwise, the fees will be almost double to those shown.

### Can my child start later in the school year?

Yes, we offer admission throughout the school year, providing we have availability.

#### Can my child be placed in a different year group?

Children are placed in year groups according to their date of birth, with an annual cut-off date of 31st August (Year Group Comparison Table), unless there are clear educational reasons for an exception to be made. To support an exception, evidence from a registered educational psychologist and/or reports from the child's previous school will normally be required. Where necessary, placement of a child may be decided after a personal interview to determine that we can offer a place in an appropriate year group.

#### Does my child need to have studied English to attend BISS?

No, BISS, as an international school, caters for students who speak little or no English when they join the school. We provide English as an Additional Language (EAL) support to get them up and running in English for as long as necessary. If your child may need EAL support, please inform us during the admissions process.

#### How does BISS cater for students with special educational needs?

At BISS we have a specialist Individual Needs team that caters for children who need support within or outside of their class. While we are able to support the majority of individual children's educational needs, it is occasionally the case that BISS is not the most suitable school for a child. If your child has special educational needs, please inform us during the admissions process. Read about wellbeing and individual support at BISS

#### Do you allow private candidates to sit IGCSEs and IB exams at BISS?

No, at present we do not allow external candidates to sit exams at BISS.

#### **Does BISS offer A Levels?**

No, BISS does not offer A levels. Our Year 12 and 13 students study the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP). <u>Read about the many benefits of IBDP</u>.

#### Do you have any other BISS schools in Sweden?

No, BISS is our only school. Any other school in Sweden using the BISS name is not affiliated with us.