



THE BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL  
BRATISLAVA  
A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL



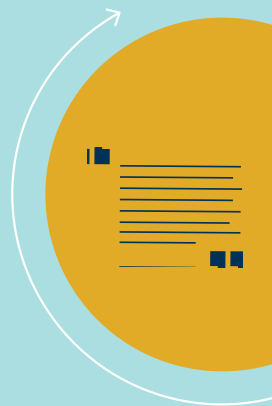
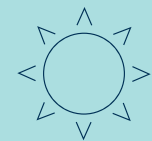
# EARLY YEARS AND YEAR 1 AT BISB





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# WELCOME TO MAPLES

Maples is where our Early Years and Year 1 classes are based, for children who are 2 and a half to 6 years old.

In Early Years we follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum.

In Year 1 we follow the English National Curriculum.

Nursery aged children are between 2 and a half and 3 at the start of the academic year. Year 1 aged children are 5 at the start of the academic year.

Reception aged children are 4 at the start of the academic year.

Year 1 aged children are 5 at the start of the academic year.



## EARLY YEARS AND YEAR 1 STAFF



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# DAILY ROUTINE

Although every day in Early Years and Year 1 is full of different fun and adventure, this is what a typical day looks like.

Time	Activity
7:50 am – 8:20 am	Arrival
8:20 am	Morning carpet session
8:45 am – 11:45 am	Learning time and free flow snack
11:45 am – 1:15 pm	Lunch times
1:15 pm	Afternoon carpet session
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Learning time and free flow snack
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Story time

Some Nursery aged children may sleep during the day. Sleep time is from 12:30 to 13:30 each day. If your child sleeps please discuss this with your class teacher ahead of their first day.

Early Years and Year 1 children will also have specialist lessons including Music, PE and Forest School.

Reception and Year 1 aged children will be part of our Gymnastics, Skating and Swimming programme.

# WHAT TO WEAR

## NURSERY AGED CHILDREN

- No uniform
- Clothes that you don't mind getting messy or dirty
- Suitable clothes for PE on PE days

## RECEPTION AND YEAR 1 AGED CHILDREN

- School uniform
- House colour t-shirt on PE days



All children change their shoes when they arrive at school to indoor shoes, which need to be suitable for PE.

## WHAT YOU NEED



Outdoor clothing  
(waterproof and  
season appropriate)



Water bottle



Rain boots



Spare clothes  
(in case of accidents  
or messy play)



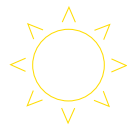
Gloves, hat, scarf



Sunhat, insect  
repellent, suncream



Indoor shoes  
(appropriate for PE)



SEASONAL ITEMS

## ROCKETS CLUB

For parents who are unable to collect their children at 2:45pm, we offer Rockets Club to support later collection.

Rockets club runs from 2:45pm to 4:45pm on Mondays to Thursdays and from 2:45pm to 3:45pm on Fridays..

During Rockets Club, children have the opportunity to participate in free play supervised by adults. Towards the end of the Rockets sessions, there is also the option for them to enjoy some calmer time by watching a movie.





## SETTLING IN

At BISB, we aim for children to feel safe, stimulated and happy in our Early Years and Year 1 phase and to feel secure and comfortable with all staff. We also want parents to have confidence in their children's well-being and ability to benefit from what our Early Years has to offer.

We aim to support parents and other carers to help their children settle as quickly and easily as possible, by giving consideration to the individual needs and circumstances of each child and their families.

Some children may need longer to settle into their new routines and therefore we might suggest your child begins on half days until they have adapted to the changes. This will be discussed with you before your child starts.

We advise that when your child first starts, you ensure that you drop them off on time and collect them at 2:45pm, so that they can become used to the initial class routine before joining Rockets club.



## SCHOOL SYSTEMS



### **FIREFLY**

- Used for reporting absences



### **SCHOOLS BUDDY**

- Used for signing up to Rockets Club



### **LITTLE CHEF**

- Sign your child up for lunch and snack
- If you want to cancel lunch, please use this system



### **SEESAW**

- Messaging class teacher
- Photos of your child and their learning



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