



Welcome to Primary School

A guide to helping new families with the start of school at St Andrews International School Bangkok.

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Welcome to St Andrews Bangkok

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Primary School and hope that the children are as excited as we are! To help you prepare for the start of school, please see the information below, which we hope you will find useful.



School Uniform

The <u>Primary School Uniform Guide</u> will give you all the information you need on school uniforms. New students will be assigned House colours once school has started so you can purchase your House polo shirt during the first week of term (House shirts are only worn on Fridays).

Primary School uniforms can be purchased directly from the Uniform Shop which is located near the Year 6 quad area. The Uniform Shop is open Monday to Friday between 8:30 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm, for more details or if you have any questions please call +662 381-2387.

If you are new to St Andrews, our friendly staff will be happy to assist you with your child's specific uniform requirements. This is a great opportunity to beat the rush and ensure your kids are smartly attired for the new school year. If you are unavailable to visit us before school begins, uniforms can always be purchased at the start of the term.



Student/Family ID Cards and Lanyards

All students from Year 1 and above are required to wear their Student ID card and blue lanyard at all times to enter and exit the school premises. For our younger students in Foundation Stage, a bag tag will be provided which can be attached to their school bag. After purchasing school uniforms, please visit our School Office so that we can take your child's photo for their Student ID card, which will be provided on the first day at school. Parents will also be provided with a Family ID card and a red lanyard, we kindly request that you wear these at all times when you enter, exit, and are around the school premises.







Shuttle Bus

For the convenience of our entire community and to ease car park congestion, we have a free morning and afternoon shuttle buses looping along 3 bus routes and serving both parents and students at both the Primary School and the High School.



ROUTE 1
Primary School (Gate 5 - Blue Area Pridi 20) OHigh School (Gate 3 - Shuttle Bus Zone)
Estimated duration: 10-20 minutes



ROUTE 2
Primary School (Gate 5 - Blue Area Pridi 20) Gateway Ekkamai (Gate 4 - In front of Watsons)
Estimated duration: 15-25 minutes



Primary School (Gate 5 - Blue Area Pridi 20) Max Valu 71 (Back of Max Valu)

Estimated duration: 10-15 minutes

Key Stage 2 students can only use the service without a parent/guardian by written permission. Please fill in the 'Afternoon Shuttle Bus Service' Google form to request to allow your child to use the shuttle bus on their own and if you have any questions please contact shuttlebus@standrews.ac.th.

Please review our <u>Shuttle Bus Information</u> page for approximate departure times from each location.

Door-to-Door Transport

St Andrews also offers a paid door-to-door school bus service. Pricing, pick-up times, and drop-off times are determined by location zones. You can find additional information regarding this service in the School Bus Fees section on the <u>Tuition Fees</u> page. Please contact our Transport Team at [transport@standrews.ac.th] if you would like to sign up for this service or have any questions. Both of these services will begin at the start of the Term.

Canteen Service

Our Primary School canteen is run by Epicure, who provide catering services to many international schools in Bangkok. Snacks and lunch are provided for all children. Menus are made available each week via Moodle so that you can discuss food choices with your children ahead of time. Food choices take into account the many different dietary requirements of our students, and there is always something available for even the most difficult of eaters.

Parents can opt in by paying for food on each term's invoice or by purchasing daily vouchers. Alternatively, you may also choose to have your son/daughter bring food from home. For the health and safety of all students, please be reminded that St Andrews is a Nut-Free school.

Teachers are on duty during lunchtime to ensure that children make sensible food choices and that they eat enough lunch.





Extra-Curricular Activities

We strongly encourage all students to participate in activities outside the usual curriculum, as it helps children explore diverse interests and gain valuable skills, and fosters well-rounded development. Each term, we offer a wide range of activities that take place in the afternoon after the usual school day is over, with most running from 2:45 pm to 3:45 pm.





How to sign up for ECAs

Each term ECA sign-ups are via Moodle. The activities signups are based on a preference-based system and will include all ECAs, Swimming, Sport, and weekend activities. Please note that you will need to be logged into Moodle with a parent/guardian account to access this module. You should have already received your sign-up information for Moodle.

At the end of the initial sign-up phase, places will be allocated by the system to ensure everyone's preferences are fairly taken into consideration. You will then be notified of which places your child has been allocated, and will be able to modify those activities should you wish, subject to alternative places being available. It is important to note that once activities start it will not be possible to amend or cancel your activity selections.

Please note:

- If an activity session run by school staff cannot take place due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances, there will be no make-up session.
- If an activity session led by external providers cannot take place, every effort will be made to schedule a make-up class. If this is not possible, you will be refunded for that session.

Our Family Support Team can assist you with any specific questions you have regarding activities, should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at support@standrews.ac.th.

Communication

Every week we send out a Newsletter with links to important information about future events, as well as a look back at other school activities. We have imported all of the email addresses you provided into our database. If you wish to review past issues, along with recent emails to the STA community, you can visit the <u>archive page</u>.



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Head's Lines



The First Day of School

Our school day begins at 7:45 am. On your child's first day, they should report to the school office at 7:15 am to 7:30 am, where a staff member will meet them and show them to their classrooms in time for the start of the school day. Your child will be assigned to a school class and children will be provided with buddies to help them find their way around their new campus.

Please follow us on our other channels to stay up to date on all things happening at St Andrews.

- St Andrews News, Blog & Events
- Facebook
- Instagram
- YouTube
- · Parent-Teacher Group (PTG) Facebook
- Flames and Marlins Facebook

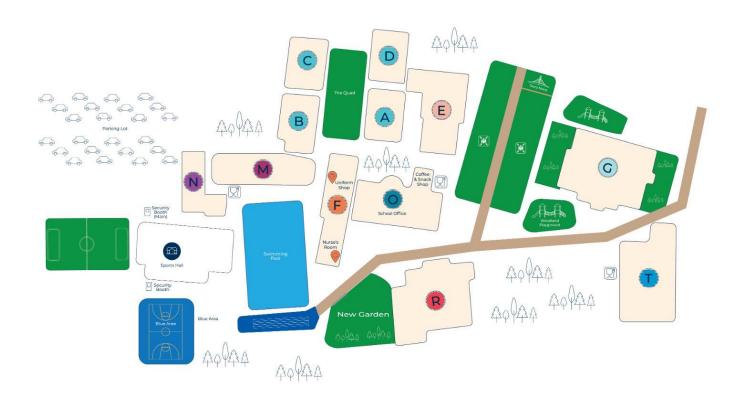
We hope you are excited that your child will join St Andrews this school year, and we look forward to seeing you soon!



School Map



Welcome to Primary School







- · The Quad
- · Year 6





- Languages
- · Thai Language



- Foundation Stage 1
- · Music Room
- · Drama Studio



- · Uniform Shop
- · Nurse's Room
- · Key Stage 2 Learning Support



- Foundation Stage 2
- · Foundation Stage 3



- Canteen
- · STARS



- · Physical Education & Swimming Office
- · STARS



- School Office
- Coffee & Snack Shop



- Library
- Year 3 / Year 4 / Year 5
- · Shared Space
- · EAL



- Canteen
- · Year 1 / Year 2
- · Key Stage 1 Learning Support
- · EAL
- · Red Room
- · Gymnastics Centre



- · Sports Hall
- Keyboard Room (2nd Floor)
- · Dance Studio (3rd Floor)