



We ENHANCE, ENCOURAGE, ENGAGE

at Bangkok Bilingual School!

Primary English Programme + Mandarin from Grade 1

ENHANCE

The English Programme at BBS is a bilingual syllabus which is consisted of Thai and English. Mandarin language is taught from Grade 1 as a developmental activity. The primary objective of the English Programme is to give students a strong foundation in literacy and numeracy, in both English and Thai. In the lower primary level, Grade 1 students are more exposed to English language and the focus is on listening, speaking, reading and writing in the classroom. There is a greater emphasis on listening and speaking, as this is the area of most interest to students at the lower primary level, and also enables them to develop an ability to communicate in basic English.

BBS has introduced the **SPEAK UP** programme since the school year 2013, initiated by the school Vice President, Miss Ratana Wasinrapee, to encourage students to speak English in and out of the classroom. Each student is given a stamp booklet for the teachers to put stickers on every time they speak English with their peers about a given topic every week. Students are also encouraged to converse with teachers outside the classroom. The programme consists of four levels of difficulty, which the students will aim to complete in the duration of their primary years.



ENCOURAGE

The success of our students reflect the efficiency and excellence of their training and learning at BBS. Many of our graduates continue their studies at prestigious secondary schools and universities. The school also publishes students' accomplishments in various fields — academics, sports, arts and music — through our website, Facebook page and semi-annual school publication called **Hello Kids Magazine**, where chosen student compositions and art works are also showcased.



ENGAGE

We at BBS mold our students, not only into knowledgeable and confident individuals, but innovative as well. Our courses are designed to encourage critical thinking through research, class discussions, and individual and group reporting/presentations in the higher levels (G4-G6). The students also learn to work as a team, as they practice division of labor in their class activities and projects.

Primary students also experience a democratic process of choosing their leaders through our annual student elections. They are made socially aware of the issues in and out of the school, and are encouraged to think of creative solutions to improve the students' welfare.

The school also has an annual gift-giving programme through **Siam Care Foundation** held every December. The gifts consist of old and new toys for less-fortunate children.



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English Programme (EP) Overview

Grade 1 students are more exposed to English language and the focus is on; Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing in the classroom. There is a greater emphasis on Listening and Speaking, as this is the area of most interest to students at the lower primary level, and also enables them to develop an ability to communicate in basic English.

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| Listening | - | 30% |
| Speaking | - | 30% |
| Reading | - | 20% |
| Writing | - | 20% |

In addition to proficiency in academic subjects, a key objective within our programme is to facilitate the students' understanding of foreign cultures, as well as the appreciation of their own culture.

The proportion of English subjects to Thai subjects is **60 : 40**

Subjects taught in English language

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| English Language (Speaking, Listening, Reading, Writing, Phonics and Grammar) | 12 periods |
| Mathematics | 3 periods |
| Science | 2 periods |
| Social Studies + History | 2 periods |
| Computer | 1 period |
| Creative Arts | 1 period |

21 periods/week

Subjects taught in Thai Language

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| Thai Language | 3 periods |
| Mathematics | 3 periods |
| Science | 2 periods |
| Social Studies + History | 2 periods |
| Library | 1 period |
| Physical/Health Education | 2 periods |
| Music | 1 period |

14 periods/week

TOTAL = 35 periods per week

Students will study Mandarin as the third language from Grade 1 up.

