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# Causeway Bay Victoria Kindergarten and International Nursery Causeway Bay Victoria International Kindergarten



We offer different streams to meet the needs of children aged two to six years old.

# Language: One teacher, One language

We believe that the development of one's mother tongue is important to maintain the cultural identity and emotional stability of our children. Children are allowed to consolidate and prioritize the development of their mother tongue in a suitable language environment. Once their first language is firmly developed, children will be able to learn a second language more effectively.

To meet the developmental needs of our children, we offer two streams in PN and K1: "Trilingual (English, Cantonese, and Putonghua)" and "Bilingual (English and Putonghua)", which provide an appropriate and progressive approach to language learning: "One teacher, One language" for each class, allowing children to learn different languages in a natural, fully immersive learning environment.

The teacher-to-student ratio is approximately the same for both streams.

#### Introduction to different streams:

# <u>International Stream (Trilingual)</u>

- · Classes use English, Cantonese, and Putonghua respectively as the language of instruction, and implement inquiry-based learning.
- English and Chinese are equally important, and each day the small group learning sessions are led by a teacher of each language (English/Cantonese/Putonghua).
- The Cantonese/Putonghua teachers work together to develop and enhance the children's Chinese language skills. Both Putonghua and Cantonese teachers are all experienced teachers, and all Putonghua teachers are certified at Level 2B

or higher on the Putonghua Proficiency Test by the National Language Commission.

• English courses are taught by professional native English-speaking teachers. Through games, songs, and other learning activities, children will develop their listening and speaking skills in a natural environment and be prepared to read and write.

# <u>International Stream (English/Putonghua)</u>

- This class is designed for children whose mother tongue is Putonghua or English.
- The class uses both English and Putonghua as the language of instruction and implements inquiry-based learning.
- English and Chinese are equally important, and each day small group learning sessions are led by an English/Putonghua teacher.
- English courses are taught by professional native English-speaking teachers. Through games, songs, and other learning activities, children will develop their listening and speaking skills in a natural environment and be prepared to read and write.
- · In general, each EP class has two Putonghua teachers who are certified at Level 2B or higher on the National Language Commission's Putonghua Proficiency Test.

When children are promoted to K2, the school provides all students with the opportunity to learn trilingual. Parents can make appropriate choices based on their family's language environment, their child's language development, and their future development plans.

- **CEP (Cantonese/English/Putonghua):** This class will use Cantonese and English as the primary language of instruction, supplemented by Putonghua.
- **PEC (Putonghua/English/Cantonese):** This class will use Putonghua and English as the primary language of instruction, supplemented by Cantonese.

Both streams involve immersive language learning environments, but with different emphasis on different languages. The teachers of different languages will use their native languages as the medium for various activities so that students will have the opportunity to think deeply in different languages in a relaxed and free atmosphere, and to promote the development of multilingualism and advanced levels of thinking.

