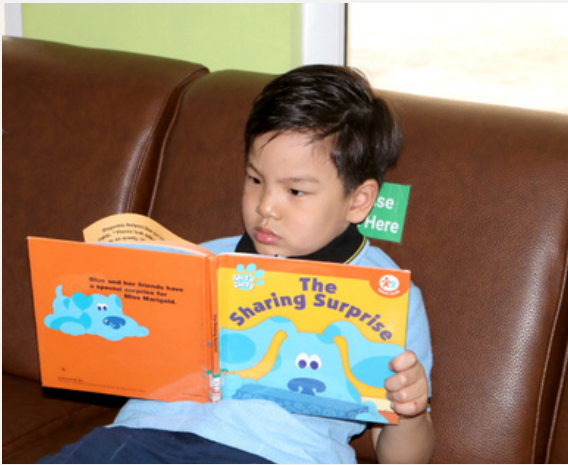




EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE (EYFS) (Nursery and Reception)



At MISY our Nursery classes start for students aged 3 and Reception classes for 4 year olds. Each class is taught by an experienced teacher supported by a qualified assistant teacher.

Nursery and Reception classes begin at 8:45 am to 2:30 pm.

Our Aims

At MISY Nursery and Reception we follow The Early Years Foundation Stage English Curriculum. We work closely together to provide a caring and stimulating learning environment and to meet the needs of each individual child. We want the children to enjoy their first experience of school life and enthusiastically begin their learning journey by providing;

- a secure and happy learning environment and promote positive relationships
- excellent foundations for learning that will go with them throughout school
- positive parent partnerships through good communication and joint learning opportunities

English National Curriculum

The English National Curriculum for the Early Years defines seven areas of learning and development in the EYFS. These seven areas are used to plan your child's learning and activities.

1. Communication and Language
2. Physical Development
3. Personal, Social and Emotional Development
4. Literacy
5. Mathematics
6. Understanding the World
7. Expressive Arts and Design

How We Teach

Children in the EYFS learn by playing "hands on" and exploring, being active, and through creative and critical thinking which takes place both indoors and outdoors. Our professional understanding of teaching enables us to make sure that the activities are suited to your child's developmental state. The curriculum is designed for very young children, and is flexible so that we can follow your child's unique needs and interests.



"Learning by doing" is the motto, and there are a wide range of activities for the children to choose from. Learning opportunities and the use of resources are carefully planned to enable children to develop in a verity of ways.

Dynamic and regularly changing learning stations in the classroom may include:

- sand, water, dough, art, messy, puppet plays
- investigation, construction, maths
- reading, writing/mark making, listening, imaginative role play
- phonics lessons three times a week, starting from Reception

Specialist Teachers, Educational Trips, Celebrations

Early Years and Reception children also attend Music, Computer, Physical Education (PE) and Art classes, all taught by specialist teachers. Reception children begin their reading journey with phonic lessons three times a week, following the Jolly Phonics programme.

Nursery and Reception classes go on educational trips which are linked to their in-class learning, and join in school wide celebration such as International Day, cultural days, sports days and end of term performances.

Communication with Parents

We understand that it is vital for parents to be involved in their child's learning and regular communication is essential.

At the beginning of each year we invite parents to meet a 'meet the teachers' event where individual class teachers explain the routines and expectations of their class, this is also a chance for parents to ask questions about the school day. In order for you to get information about your child's progress we report to parents four times a year, this includes two student-teacher-parent conferences and two written reports.

We use Class Dojo (a safe electronic method of communication between teacher and parents) to send regular messages and photos to update you about what is happening in class. We hold regular coffee mornings to update you on new initiatives.

Campus Facilities

Our Mandalay Campus has big and bright classrooms all air-conditioned, equipped with computers, internet access and overhead projectors. There are specialist rooms for Music, Art and Computer lessons. We have a science laboratory, a library, a student canteen, an outdoor playground for very small children and a recreational area for older students, a multipurpose covered sport hall, a grass football field, small swimming pools and a waiting room for parents.

