Grading & Academic Reports

The school uses subject-specific IB criteria to indicate levels of achievement. At the end of each semester, students receive a summative grade, based on the IB 1 (low) – 7 (high) grade scale. Final semester grades are reported as follows:

**Grade 7**
A consistent and thorough understanding of the required knowledge and skills, and the ability to apply them almost faultlessly in a wide variety of situations. There is consistent evidence of analysis, synthesis and evaluation where appropriate. The student consistently demonstrates originality and insight and always produces work of high quality.

**Grade 6**
A consistent and thorough understanding of the required knowledge and skills, and the ability to apply them in a wide variety of situations. There is consistent evidence of analysis, synthesis and evaluation where appropriate. The student generally demonstrates originality and insight.

**Grade 5**
A consistent and thorough understanding of the required knowledge and skills, and the ability to apply them in a variety of situations. The student generally shows evidence of analysis, synthesis and evaluation where appropriate and occasionally demonstrates originality and insight.

**Grade 4**
A good general understanding of the required knowledge and skills, and the ability to apply them effectively in normal situations. There is occasional evidence of the skills of analysis, synthesis and evaluation.

**Grade 3**
Limited achievement against most of the objectives, or clear difficulties in some areas. The student demonstrates a limited understanding of the required knowledge and skills and is only able to apply them fully in normal situations with support.

**Grade 2**
Very limited achievement against all the objectives. The student has difficulty in understanding the required knowledge and skills, and is unable to apply them fully in normal situations, even with support.

**Grade 1**
Minimal achievement in terms of the objectives.

Full, written, academic reports are issued for all grades at the end of each semester. However, students in grade 12, who have external examinations in May and graduate before the end of the school year, will receive their second semester report before graduation or the end of May.

Interim grade-only (G11 &12) or Approaches to Learning only (G6 – 10) reports are issued prior to each 3 Way Conference.