

British International School Riyadh

Website	Age	Infant	Junior	Senior
www.bisr.com.sa	From 3 to 18	Yes	Yes	Yes

Address	Admissions
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Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Position
Principal Chris Mantz

Faculty	Curriculum
105	National Curriculum of England

Qual/Exam Types	Nationalities
IGCSE, A/S Level, A Level	52

Enrolment	Fee
Total: 1374	Per Annum:Nursery: SR 35,152Reception: SR 49,269KS1: SR 49,269KS2: SR 52,708KS3: SR 57,572KS4: SR 73,673KS5: SR 79,494

Special Needs Provision
Special Education Programme: Learning Support Programme

Comments/Description

The school is a non-profit making organization founded in 1979 and incorporated in March 1981 into the Saudi Arabian International School under arrangements made by the Saudi Arabian Ministry of Education. It is situated in Al Hamra in premises opened in 1995. There is an additional Primary section in Salwa. The majority of pupils are British, but there are children of about 52 nationalities. All those for whom English is not their mother tongue must reach a level of competence in the language, sufficient to enable them to benefit from lessons, in all subjects, before they can be admitted to the school. The school operates on the British three-term system, with a long summer break from the beginning of July until the beginning of September. The school will administer special entrance examinations for individual schools where necessary. The curriculum is based on the English National Curriculum, but contextually modified and it includes Arabic studies.

The school building offers accommodation of the highest standard. Classrooms are well resourced, there is an excellent library and the sports complex includes a very large indoor swimming pool and Astroturf playing field. Staff are recruited primarily from the UK and from qualified expatriates based in Riyadh. Usual class size is around 20, with teaching groups at GCSE level and in the Sixth Form around 16 and 10 respectively. Teaching standards are high with students proceeding to leading universities particularly in the UK and USA, and the school enjoys cordial relationships with parents and the wider community. The school is subject to regular review from qualified inspectors recognized by the Office for Standards in Education (UK). The school patron is Her Majesty's Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Other Comments