

A photograph of several young students in a classroom, wearing white shirts with green collars, sitting at a blue desk and working on papers. The background is a green wall with colorful posters.

APPLE TREE



International School

MIRPUR DHAKA



Cambridge Assessment
International Education

Cambridge International School

ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL
UNDER SWEDISH MANAGEMENT

PROSPECTUS 2019-20

Apple Tree International School is a private school under Swedish Management.

The owner and principal Yam Bergstrand is a Swedish citizen living in Bangladesh. Between 1970 and 1995 he worked as an actor, director and journalist in Sweden. Since 1990 he has also worked as a teacher and child counselor.



In 1994 he was invited by Group Theatre Federation to conduct workshops for young actors in Dhaka through a grant from The Swedish Institute. During the visit he came to know Nasiruddin Yousuff and the late Selim Al Deen of Dhaka Theatre. He came back several times around 2000 to work with Dhaka Theatre and to translate the stage play Hargaj by Selim Al Deen to Swedish.

In addition to his cultural and educational career Yam Bergstrand has worked as a software developer for the last odd twenty years, designing control systems for Swedish iron and steel industry.

Apple Tree International School was established in 2006.

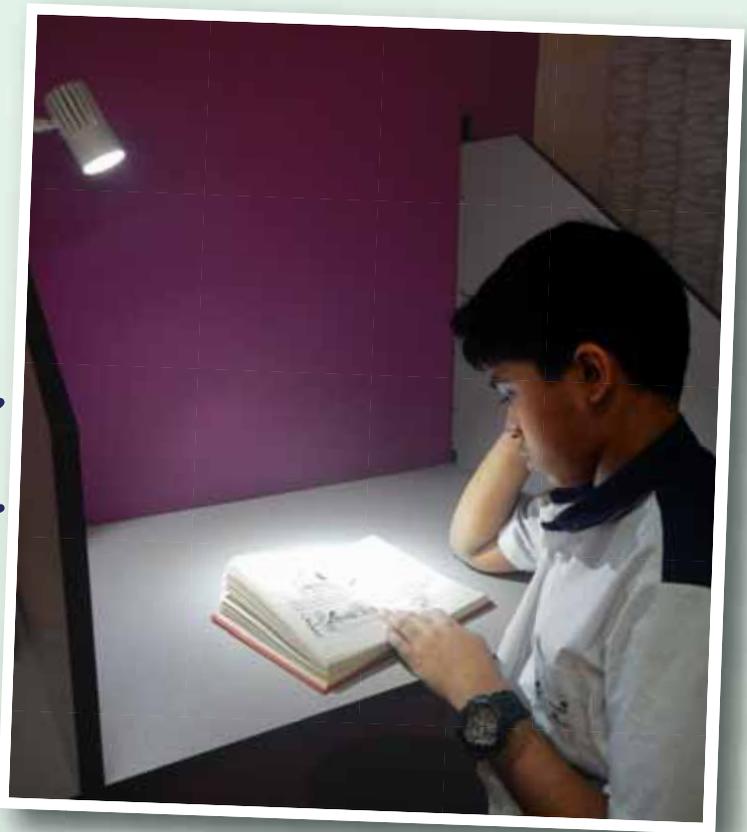
The school is registered with The Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board, Dhaka.

Apple Tree International School is a Cambridge International School under Cambridge Assessment International Education and a registered member of Cambridge Primary.

After three years in Mirpur 11, the school moved to a newly constructed building in Pallabi 2009. From 2012 a second campus was added in Pallabi, and in 2017 a third campus was added in Rupnagar. All three campuses have been reconstructed for school purpose.

We believe that one of the most important things with education is to fill students with enthusiasm for learning and studying. This is the significance of our school motto:

"An Independent Life of Learning"



We want our students to recognise and honour their Bangladeshi heritage and to build a strong identity with a deep feeling of responsibility as citizens of their country.



21 February
International Mother Language Day is commemorated with a cultural programme where both students and teachers perform
26 March
On Independence Day we listen to first hand recollections of 1971 from invited guests.

14 April
Bengali New Year is celebrated with different artistic workshops; painting, pottery painting and simple handicraft.



English

Language development is a wide-ranging process, involving speaking, reading and writing. A phonological approach is used in preschool, followed by creative and process writing. Project presentations and debates improve spoken skills, and carefully selected literature books will enrich both language and cultural understanding at primary and secondary level.

Increasingly, countries view English as a catalyst for development. The most essential shift is towards communicative teaching; i.e. English as a tool for communication.



Mathematics

Mathematics is taught from practical touch-and-count approach in preschool to more complex strategy building in primary school. In preschool we develop students' number sense in preschool. They gradually learn to make models and to develop strategies for problem solving. We want them not only to learn mathematical rules, but learn how to think in a logical, mathematical way.

Bengali

is a core subject at Apple Tree. Without the proper knowledge of their mother language, and the culture and history that envelops it, students may not be able to master a second, foreign language. We expect all students with Bengali as their mother tongue to sit for Bengali in their O Level.

Computer Science

Information and Communications Technology is increasingly being regarded as a new 'literacy', alongside reading, writing and numeracy. To be able to communicate via e-mail, to handle information in databases, to understand how to use Internet for research, to understand website design and animation is becoming a necessity for your future career.

Preschoolers are encouraged to learn how to operate computers, use the mouse and play educational games. From Grade 1 students learn how to use different types of software for project presentations. Later they learn basic programming through HTML, MS LOGO, Scratch and other tools. From Grade 6 they are introduced to Python and other programming languages and features included in the O Level examinations.



Digital equipment

Computers, cameras and other digital equipment form an integral part of our education, and are used whenever it serves a pedagogic purpose. Individual students or groups may use word processor, spread sheets, paint programmes and other software for classroom projects. Internet and web resources are used for research, international projects and for regular classroom work.

Laboratories

Campus 3 has separate modern and scientifically equipped laboratories for Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Computer Science.



All campuses have fiber Internet connection.

Campus 1 and 2 has a cable network, and Campus 3 is a WiFi zone.

All three campuses are connected to the same intranet.

Countries with better English skills also produce more high-technology exports with high research and development intensity, such as aerospace products, computers, pharmaceuticals, scientific instruments, and electrical machinery.

Technological advances are helping students learn English more effectively.



Main Library Campus 3

The main library in campus 3 also holds reference books, dictionaries, daily newspapers and magazines creating rich resources of information for various classroom projects. The main library has workplaces for individual studies and facilities for group work and research.

From Grade 3 all students have Library time on their routine where they will be introduced to different types of books and encouraged to explore books on their own.

All classrooms in campus 2 have their own collection of story books for reading practice.

Libraries

Each school campus has a library with fiction and non-fiction literature both in English and Bengali. Our libraries also have chess, puzzles and other games for silent play

From Cambridge - a guide for parents

Cambridge Assessment International Education prepares school students for life, helping them develop an informed curiosity and a lasting passion for learning. We are part of the University of Cambridge. Your child's needs as a learner are at the heart of our approach to education. Our programmes and qualifications aim to give your child a love of learning that will stay with them through school, university and beyond.

A global learning community

With a Cambridge programme, your child is joining a community of learners from more than 10000 schools in over 160 countries. We have created our programmes and qualifications for students worldwide but we make sure there is plenty of space for local content too.

Distance does not create a barrier between Cambridge learners around the world. Our online communities bring schools and learners together to discuss their projects and activities. By developing a global outlook in Cambridge learners, we aim to equip them for success in the fast-changing modern world.



**Cambridge
Primary**

**Cambridge
Secondary 1**

Cambridge Primary is an education programme for learners aged 5 to 11 years. Cambridge Primary develops learners' skills and understanding through the primary years in English, mathematics and science. It is offered by more than 1300 primary schools in over 110 countries worldwide.

Cambridge Secondary is an education programme for learners aged 11 to 14 years that builds skills, knowledge and understanding in English, mathematics and science. Cambridge Secondary builds on the foundations of Cambridge Primary.



At Apple Tree students sit for Primary Checkpoint in Grade 6 and for Secondary Checkpoint in Grade 8. Both checkpoints are mandatory and the fees are included in the regular tuition fee.

Cambridge Primary Checkpoint is a test for learners in the final year of Cambridge Primary. These tests are available in English, mathematics and science.

**Cambridge
Primary
Checkpoint**

Cambridge Checkpoint tests can be taken in the final year of Cambridge Lower Secondary. These tests are available in English, mathematics and science.

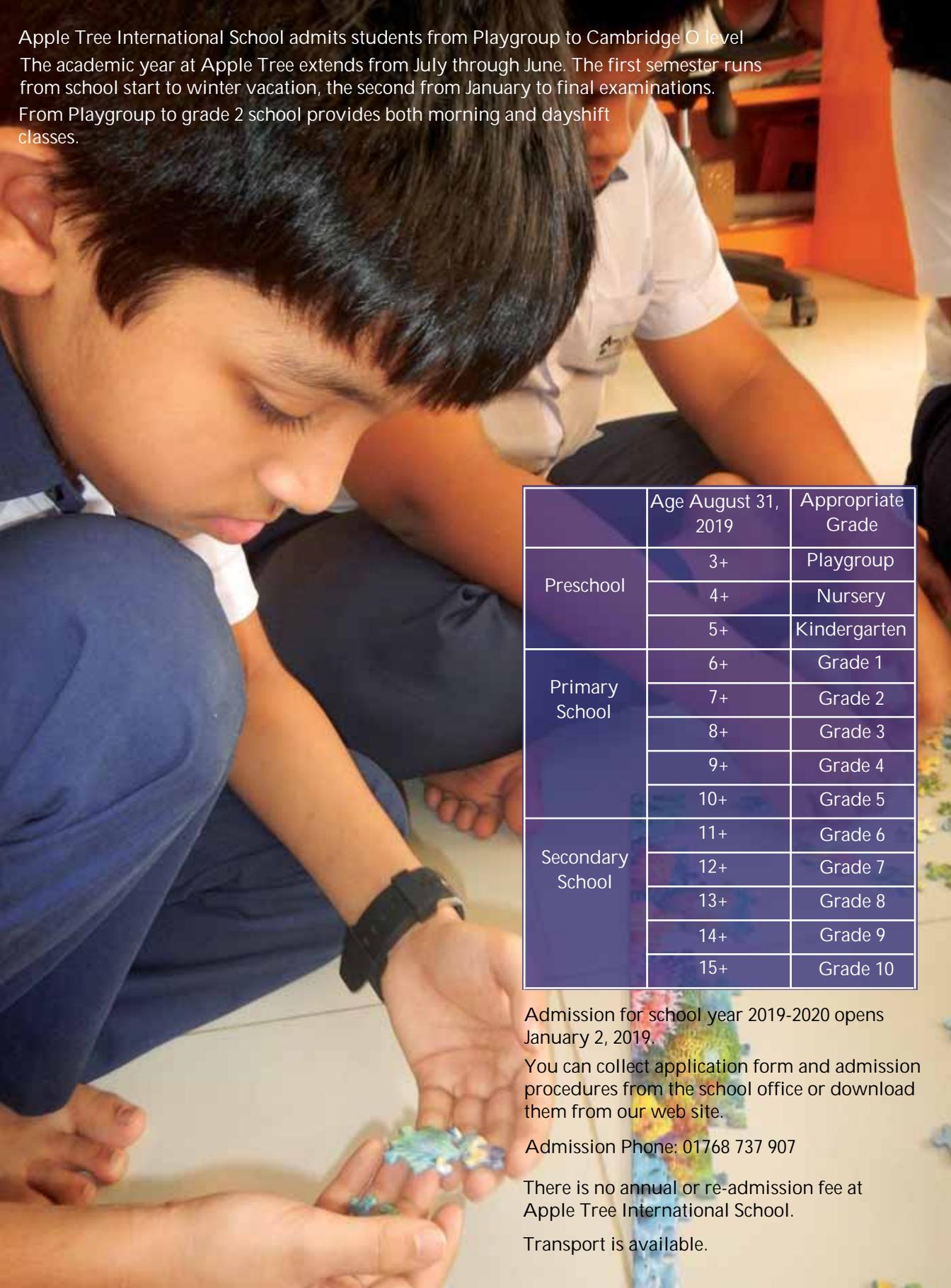
This helps your school to advise on different progression routes after age 14 and choose the one that will be most suitable for your child.

**Cambridge
Secondary 1
Checkpoint**

The Checkpoint tests are marked in Cambridge and provide schools with an external international benchmark for learner performance. Each learner receives a statement of achievement and a diagnostic feedback report, giving schools detailed information and parents extra trust in the feedback they receive.

Learn more! For more information on the Cambridge Pathway visit www.cambridgeinternational.org

Apple Tree International School admits students from Playgroup to Cambridge O level. The academic year at Apple Tree extends from July through June. The first semester runs from school start to winter vacation, the second from January to final examinations. From Playgroup to grade 2 school provides both morning and dayshift classes.



	Age August 31, 2019	Appropriate Grade
Preschool	3+	Playgroup
	4+	Nursery
	5+	Kindergarten
Primary School	6+	Grade 1
	7+	Grade 2
	8+	Grade 3
	9+	Grade 4
	10+	Grade 5
Secondary School	11+	Grade 6
	12+	Grade 7
	13+	Grade 8
	14+	Grade 9
	15+	Grade 10

Admission for school year 2019-2020 opens January 2, 2019.

You can collect application form and admission procedures from the school office or download them from our web site.

Admission Phone: 01768 737 907

There is no annual or re-admission fee at Apple Tree International School.

Transport is available.



Campus # 1
Primary School grade 3-5
Admission office

House 15, Road 7, Mirpur,
Pallabi, Dhaka-1216

Phone 01766 888 402



Campus # 2
Preschool Playgroup-
Kindergarten,
Primary School grade 1-2

House 5, Road 34, Mirpur,
Pallabi, Dhaka-1216

Phone 01768 737 908



Campus # 3
Lower Secondary and O Level,
Grade 6-10

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Mirpur, Dhaka-1216

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