



GROUP PLACEMENT

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PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS:

Students are usually placed in a chronologically appropriate class. The guidelines for this group selection is contained below. For ease this is taken from the annual point of birthdays from October 1st until 30th September.

Student will be placed in a class/milepost along with other students of the same or similar ages. This is the best place for social, behavioural and emotional development of children and it enables them to thrive and learn best from the curriculum. Exceptions to the age guidelines are made infrequently and only upon careful evaluation by the Director of Optimist International School and the Leader of Learning. Within the International Primary Curriculum (IPC), units and learning objectives are broken down into ‘Mileposts’ with each milepost spanning one or two academic years. Within our Mileposts we have one or more groups and where necessary combination groups.

When joining our school at the beginning of the school year, new students will enter an age appropriate Milepost. During the first few weeks each student will be assessed and based upon these assessments, we may recommend that they are placed in a different group. Teachers and parents will discuss this change and the reason for the advice before it takes place. When joining our school during the school year we ask that the new student makes an initial visit to the school and the classroom ahead of the start date to meet the teacher and his/her peers. Again the same period of assessment which is referred to in the paragraph above is undertaken with the same procedure of consultation between teachers and parents.

Group placement for the school year 2019-2020 - Optimist International School

Date of birth	Age	Optimist International school (Groups)	British system(UK) (Years)	K-12(US) (Grades)
1 Oct 2015 – 30 Sep 2016	4	Group 1	Foundation	Pre School
1 Oct 2014 – 30 Sep 2015	4 - 5	Group 1	Foundation	Pre School
1 Oct 2013 – 30 Sep 2014	5 - 6	Group 2	Key stage 1 – year 1	K
1 Oct 2012 – 30 Sep 2013	6 - 7	Group 3	Key stage 1 – year 2	Grade 1
1 Oct 2011 – 30 Sep 2012	7 - 8	Group 4	Key stage 2 – year 3	Grade 2
1 Oct 2010 – 30 Sep 2011	8 - 9	Group 5	Key stage 2 – year 4	Grade 3
1 Oct 2009 – 30 Sep 2010	9 - 10	Group 6	Key stage 2 – year 5	Grade 4
1 Oct 2008 – 30 Sep 2009	10 - 11	Group 7	Key stage 2 – year 6	Grade 5

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