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Admissions Procedure for the Academic Year 2023/2024

Open Days: 23 November 2022, 12 January 2023 and 6 February 2023 starting at 1.00pm at the school

Entrance Examinations:

1. En	trance Examinations to Y1 - 1st round		
1.1.	CERMAT State Entrance Examinations	17 and 18 April 2023	
1.2.	Internal Entrance Examinations	21 April 2023	
2. Entrance Examinations to Y1 - 2nd round		2 May 2023	
3. Entrance Examinations to Y2		19 April 2023	
4. Entrance Examinations to Y3		20 April 2023	
5. Academic Interviews to Y4 and Y5		at individually arranged times 13 - 29 March 2023	

Before being invited for entrance exams, all candidates will attend an introductory **interview** with the Headmaster. The interview forms an integral part of the admissions process, it is in English and takes about 30 minutes. Exams will be set at the level appropriate for the year of entry. Samples of internal test papers as well as the exam requirements are available on the ECP website.

Candidates for Y1 coming from Czech schools (ZŠ) need to take a combination of State Entrance Exams in Czech and Maths provided by CERMAT and our internal exams in Czech, Maths, English and a diagnostic Non-Verbal Reasoning test. If your child is registered in a Czech school, you will also have to fill in an additional form - the official application for CERMAT exams. It will be provided by your current school and the submission deadline is 1 March 2023.

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Candidates for Y1 coming from abroad and from international schools and **candidates for Y2 and Y3** need to sit written **internal entrance exams** in English, Mathematics and Czech language (those who speak Czech) and a diagnostic Non-Verbal Reasoning test. Usually, all written exams take place at the school on the date specified above. However, we can occasionally arrange remote internal entrance exams for candidates living and/or studying abroad.

Candidates for Y4 and Y5 do not sit written entrance exams but they are invited for an **academic interview** led by the Deputy Head and two or three other teachers. The academic interview will partly focus on some of the subject specialisms that the student wishes to study at IB level. If necessary for the decision making process, the candidate might be asked to do an additional written assignment in their chosen first language for the IB (essay in English or in Czech).

Admissions criteria:

- During the interview, candidates need to show the Headmaster that they are proficient and fluent enough in English to be able to understand lessons taught in English. Additionally, the Headmaster is looking for candidates whose outlook is broadly aligned with the school's ethos. In practical terms, this means being both open and internationally-minded, as well as being personally self-motivated and willing to engage with the school and the wider community.
- Reports from candidates' previous schools need to show that their academic achievement, behaviour and attendance are satisfactory or better.
- Candidates applying for Years 1-3 need to reach a sufficient standard of achievement in the entrance examination papers to satisfy the College's academic requirements.
- Candidates applying for Years 4-5 need to convince the panellists that their level of English, understanding and thinking is sufficient for entry and that the candidates will be able to pass the IB Diploma Programme.

Entry is possible at:

ECP Year	Equivalent of	Brief Description	Expected Intake for 2022*
Year 1	8th grade of Czech primary schools, Yr 8 UK	A full 6-year bilingual gymnázium programme, culminating with the final two studying for the IB and, if they so choose, the Czech Maturita.	42-44
Year 2	9th grade of Czech primary schools, Yr 9 UK	Students may choose to enter Year 2 for a variety of reasons (for example, if coming from abroad or re-applying if previously unsuccessful).	14-16
Year 3	1st year of Czech secondary schools, Yr 10 UK	Students will follow a two-year course, at the end of which they will sit a combination of internal and external examinations in a wide range of subjects. After this they enter the IB Diploma Programme for the last two years of their study.	10-14
Year 4	2nd year of Czech secondary schools, Yr 11 UK	Entry to Year 4 is relatively rare and is for students who would otherwise plan to join us in Year 5. Although they will arrive mid-way through a two-year programme, it will give them time to settle into the school (both academically and pastorally) before starting the challenging IB Diploma Programme.	Up to 5 or 6
Year 5	3rd year of Czech secondary schools, Yr 12 UK	The two-year IB Diploma Programme; a high level of academic English is required.	Up to 8

*We aim to accept primarily students of Czech origin although around a quarter of our students are from international backgrounds.