



The
Cathedral
Vidya School
LONAVALA

- IB World School
- IGCSE in Grades 9 & 10
- Teacher Student Ratio 1:12
- Co-Ed Residential School
- Separate residences for girls and boys
- 4 students share a room
- Nutritious Veg / Non-Veg / Jain Meals
- On campus medical facility

THE CATHEDRAL VIDYA SCHOOL LONAVALA – SCHOOL PROFILE

The Cathedral Vidya School , Lonavala, an affiliate of the Cathedral & John Connon School , Mumbai, is an English medium, Co Educational, Day cum Residential School , based in the serene surroundings of a 40 acres landscaped campus , in the valley of the Sahyadri Hills. The philosophy of the school is based on the principles of Hard work, Discipline & Simplicity. The School is just an hour's drive from Pune and a 2 hour drive from Mumbai, towards the beautiful hill town of Lonavala (which is just a 15 minutes' drive away from the School)

Taking forward the legacy of a 150 years of excellence in academics of the Cathedral & John Connon School , Mumbai , offers the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program for Grades 11 & 12 , the IGCSE for Grades 9 & 10 and a specially designed and unique Middle School Program molded on the globally recognized British Curriculum from Grades 4 to 8.

The School is built to accommodate 450 students in 'Living cum Study' Residences where 4 students share a room. The school has separate residences for girls & boys. Residence Parent is appointed for every 20 students.

Nutritionally balanced vegetarian, non-vegetarian and Jain meals are served to all students in a cafeteria style self-service dining hall. Special provisions are made for festive food during the months of Ramadan, Navratra, Lent etc.

The Residential, Sports, Creative & Academic facilities are World Class and are constantly upgraded to match the highest International standards. Technology is introduced at age-appropriate stages and students are guided to use it responsibly.

A 24 hour Health Centre with a qualified Doctor and nurse, on Campus, provide immediate Medical care. For Medical assistance beyond this there are several Hospitals a half hours drive from School. A well-equipped Ambulance is available on Campus, at all times.

The School is 'inclusive' in spirit and respects the differences of ability, culture and nationalities and it's faculty and staff is sensitized to creating a sense of well-being in every student that chooses to be part of our School.

The 8 batches that have Graduated from our School are currently placed in some of the best Colleges and Universities across the globe and remain connected to their alma mater through an enthusiastic and committed Alumni Program that celebrates their achievements even after they graduate. IB students are encouraged to connect and create channels of information with alumni in universities that they may wish to consider for their undergraduate program, both in India and overseas. The School is a registered SAT Centre.

The College Advisory works toward placing students in their final year of IB, as interns , with Corporations, Entrepreneurs & professional institutes, to get a flavor of their prospective careers, during the breaks between semesters.

THE CATHEDRAL VIDYA SCHOOL

Overview

The Cathedral Vidya School, Lonavala, is a co-educational English-medium Day cum Residential School. We are an affiliate of the iconic Cathedral and John Connon School, Mumbai, which was established in 1860. Set against the picturesque backdrop of Sahyadri Hills, the school is spread across 40 acres of pollution free campus. We impart world-class education that fosters excellence, physical fitness, psychological & spiritual health, a consciousness of social obligations and concern for the environment in each student.

About The Cathedral Vidya School

The Cathedral Vidya School, Lonavala, was founded in 2008 in collaboration with the renowned, Cathedral and John Connon School, Mumbai. The school follows a comprehensive residential curriculum based on the philosophy, aims and objectives of The Cathedral and John Connon School, and shares its commitment to high standards. Its fundamental values are hard work, discipline and simplicity.

Mission

The Cathedral Vidya School, Lonavala, aims to create articulate, compassionate and rational individuals, proudly Indian in essence, humanistic and universal in outlook. An innovative programme, delivered by caring educators, addresses the need of the times and guides the children towards academic and human excellence. The school accords the highest priority to the realisation of talent and potential at all levels of the faculty and administration, so that the young shall never be denied the finest, the latest, and the most meaningful in the realm of knowledge and life.

About Our Mother School, The Cathedral & John Connon, Mumbai

The Cathedral and John Connon School, Mumbai, is undoubtedly one of the most prestigious educational institutions in this country. For more than 150 years, it has imparted the finest education through the medium of English, and has the tradition of upholding the most worthy values of the civilized world. The School is run by the Anglo- Scottish Education Society. The Cathedral & John Connon School was formed as a 'grand alliance' of the Cathedral Boys' and Cathedral Girls' schools of Mumbai, and the Scottish schools of the city. It is affiliated with the Council for Indian School Certificate Examinations and the IBDP. Its alumni comprise of some of the most remarkable captains of industry, scientist, social activists, doctors and writers. The Latin motto of the school is 'Clarum Efficiunt Studia', which, literally translated, means 'Studies Maketh Famous'.

Our Faculty

The Cathedral Vidya School lays great importance in choosing the right faculty that will not only nurture talent, but also form pillars of support for the students. Our faculty is one that is committed, experienced and are versatile educators with a deep liking and respect for students, who assist them in their daily academic excellence and help them in emerging as responsible citizens of the world.

THE CATHEDRAL VIDYA SCHOOL - CURRICULUM

The Cathedral Vidya School's academic programme is skill-based, challenging, contemporary, and offers a variety of options to students of varied abilities. Emphasis is laid on teachers in making classes active learning experiences. This helps the students gradually build a sound academic base by learning various ways of accessing knowledge, processing information, utilizing the skill of reference, and inculcating a systematic and regular study habit.

The learning programmes are designed to thoroughly test a student's ability to solve problems with creativity and flexibility along with testing their comprehension, expression, analytical skills etc.

4 to 8 Grades -Middle School Programme

The early years, between 9 to 11 years are tender and a sound foundation should be created within these years which would have a lasting impact in a student's life. At The Cathedral Vidya School we provide a secure, stimulating and supportive environment for students where learning is the top priority, along with emphasis on creative expression.

The main aims are, to strengthen self-confidence, to develop a happy and positive learning attitude, to form good habits of health and safety, to inspire creativity and individuality and to develop natural curiosity by exploring and discovering. To achieve this we follow the British National Curriculum. It is a detailed, planned and integrated curriculum with high academic standards, together with a wide range of Co- curricular activities both in sport & creativity. The program is globally recognized, offers transferability and ongoing assessments. Together with academic skills, co-curricular activities and differentiated learning in the class room, it also develops leadership skills in students by allowing them opportunity to share classroom responsibility, collaboration, accountability and organizational skills. Students in Middle School, study 10 Subjects and are evaluated for skills in each, at the end of every Key Stage.



9 & 10 Grades - International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE)

The Cathedral Vidya School offers The IGCSE is a two year combined programme for grades 9th and 10th. The International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) offers a wider range of subjects and encourages high academic standards through a practical approach to teaching and learning. Assessment is not limited to conventional written papers

IGCSE develops and encourages vital educational skills, including oral skills, investigative skills, problem solving, team work, recall of knowledge and initiative. It has a worldwide status and credibility. This curriculum is balanced and lends an international perspective to studies while considering the different abilities of students.

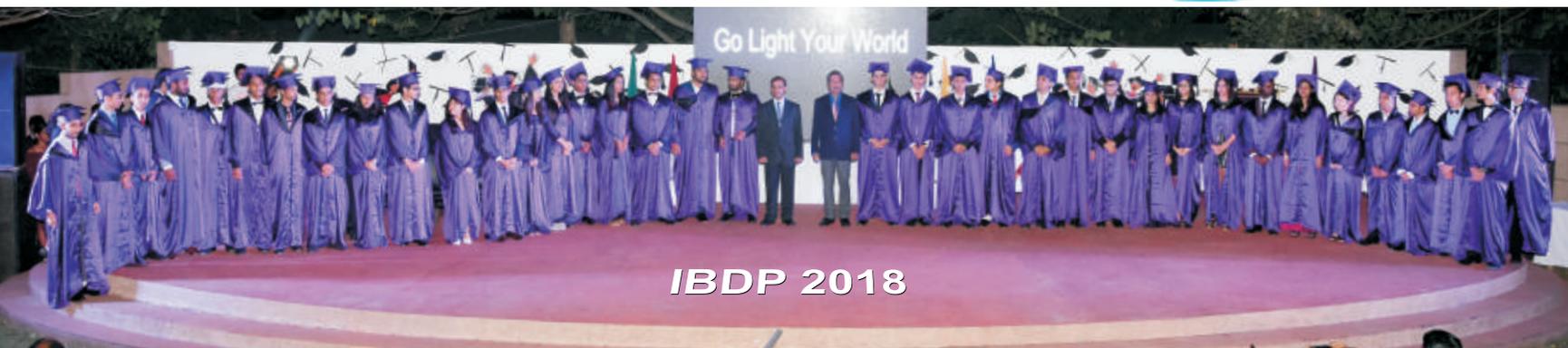
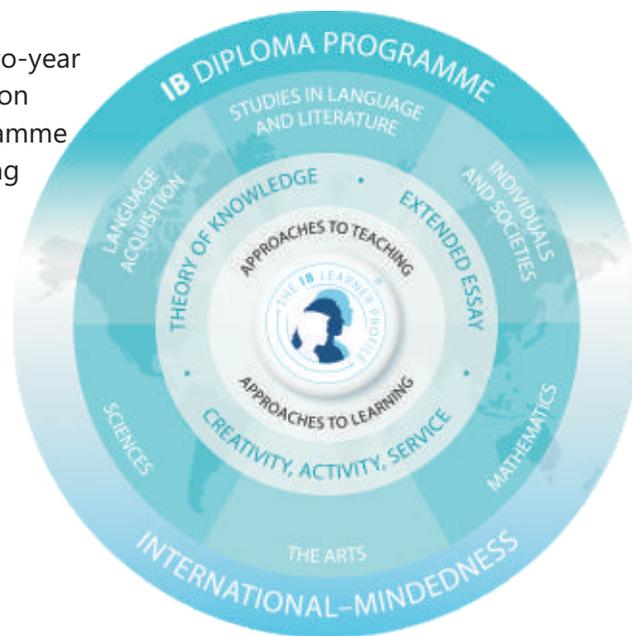
11 & 12 Grades - The IB Diploma Programme

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme is a challenging two-year curriculum, primarily aimed at students aged 16 to 19. It leads to a qualification that is widely recognised by the world's leading universities. The IBDP programme develops individuals who are curious learners, thinkers with an understanding of a broad range of subjects, open-minded individuals who are open to different points of views, compassionate, risk takers, good communicators and individuals who strike the right balance between study and play.

Students are required to study 6 subjects together with 3 trans-disciplinary approaches to learning :

- Theory of Knowledge
- CAS (Creativity, Activity & Service)
- Extended Essay

This assists them in creating a personal statement required for applying to global universities.



LIFE AT THE CATHEDRAL VIDYA SCHOOL

Overview

The Cathedral Vidya School offers an international boarding education, set within an Indian value system. It aims to help the students learn appropriate emotional skills and intelligence, contemporary social skills creating well rounded contributive citizens of the world.

House System

The House system's function is to encourage healthy competition within school and to give all the students the opportunity to participate in representative sport, music and other activities. It aims to raise self-esteem, develop self-confidence and give opportunities for leadership and collaborative work.

Tutorial System

The Cathedral Vidya School is an extended family for the students who realise that learning outside the classroom is as valuable as the education they get in a classroom. We aim to provide each child with an environment in which they can flourish, develop and fulfil their potential whilst staying away from home.

- Supervised prep is conducted on a daily basis in order to develop strong individual study and learning habits
- Remedial classes are conducted by teachers to clear students' doubts on a regular basis.
- Parents are an integral part of our institution and are encouraged to connect with the academic faculty for updates on the student's academic journey.
- 'Open Day' is held at regular intervals which gives the students and their parents a platform to exchange ideas and give their feedback



A TYPICAL DAY AT THE CATHEDRAL VIDYA SCHOOL

A typical day at The Cathedral Vidya School is designed to inculcate time management skills, academic learning and co-curricular skills. Time is given for them to pursue their hobbies and other activities of interest interspersed between regular breaks. A healthy life style includes 'early to bed and early to rise' and at The Cathedral Vidya School we make sure that this is followed diligently.



Daily schedule

6:00 am	Rouser
6:20-7:00 am	Sport/Yoga / PE
7:00-7:40 am	Shower/ Laundry
7:40-8:10 am	Breakfast
8:10-8:30 am	Assembly
8:30-10.45 am	Classes
10:45-11:05 am	Mid Morning Snack
11:05-12.35 am	Classes
12:35-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:05-3.20 pm	Classes
3:30-4:00 pm	Rest in Residences
4:00-4:30 pm	Evening Snacks
4:30-5:45 pm	Sports/Creative Activities
6:00-6:30 pm	Bath & Change
6:30-8:00 pm	Prep(Supervised Study)
8:00-8:30 pm	Dinner
8:30-9:15 pm	TV/Calling Time
9:15-10:00 pm	Quiet time / Study Time (Junior School)
9:15-10:30 pm	Quiet time /Study Time (Senior School)

All classes are for 45 minutes each



GROOMING : THE DIFFERENTIATOR

We believe that the ability to assume and effectively discharge responsibility is an essential life skill, the foundation for which is best laid at a young age. Teaching the students to motivate themselves and others to accomplish a common goal through a united effort.

Conveying optimism and how to think strategically to achieve goals. Developing self awareness and making them to showcase their creativity and innovation - these are just some of the techniques we practice to bring out the best in our students.

The school has an in-house Grooming Centre where students can access general grooming facilities.



THE CATHEDRAL INITIATIVES

Inter-School Sports Events

The School regularly hosts various friendly matches for other schools, on its campus. Also Cathedral students participate in Interschool, District, State & National tournaments through the year.

Weekend Clubs

Along with co-curricular activities there are a number of interesting activities which are woven into the main time-table like hobbies and various clubs (maths, nature, history, science, chess, cookery, gardening, Astronomy, Robotics, Bee Keeping, Landscaping to name a few). These activities are pursued during the children's spare time and they help them in honing their academic and overall development skills. These also help them in carving their own niche and formulating a self-assured personality.

CIMUN

The Cathedral International Model United Nations motto has always been "Here for tomorrow". These words themselves convey a deep underlying meaning as to what CIMUN connotes. CIMUN, for the past 6 years has provided a platform for young ardent debaters to voice out their perspectives on subjects that are of global importance. The conference enables each individual participating to collectively, not only overcome his/her fear of public speaking but to also hone their skills of debating.

Since the inception of CIMUN in 2012, it has progressed, through the expansion of a new variety of notable committees that will be present this year. An approximate estimate of the number of 300 participants this year also goes to show how much CIMUN's prominence has amplified. Taking an active part in CIMUN will guarantee an overall enlightened perspective towards the United Nations and help show the profound impact the United Nations has on each of our lives.





Students' Council

The students have their own democratic forum called the Students' Council which meets every month to discuss day-to-day issues directly affecting them. The Council, whose members are democratically elected by their classmates, acts as a link between the School administration and the student body.

Special Assemblies & Days

The school fosters an international attitude in its students but at the same time keeping them grounded in the rich cultural traditions of the country. One of the many ways the school celebrates is by presenting specially designed programmes at special assemblies and also by including the values they learn in their daily classroom activities.

Spandan

The School hosts a grand annual sports and cultural event every year in the month of November. More than 30 schools from all parts of the country participate in events like football, basketball, nukkad natak, dance competition and debate.

Cathedral Literary festival

Cathedral Literary festival is an event where book readers take part by publishing, meeting authors and browsing through special book counters, the event adds a lot of meaning.

Science Park

Our science park with its colourful equipments and swings bordered by a rose garden is a wonderful medium to sustain the wonder and curiosity in the minds of growing children.

Learning Beyond the CLASSROOM

Important cosmological events like solar eclipses, meteor showers etc. are given prime importance. Students are encouraged to make a presentation on eclipses and on the day of the eclipse, special arrangements are made to observe these rare natural phenomenon and also witness other grand events in the school's amphitheatre to get a first-hand experience of the science of life.

The Cathedral Vidya School understands the need to have good role-models for students to emulate. And, for this reason the school hosts a number of talks delivered by some of the leading personalities who have contributed tremendously in their respective fields. These talks not only provide further insights into respective fields of study.

The school keeps organising 'Outbound Programmes' which includes going on regular treks to forests, sanctuaries etc. This programme is designed to aid them in self-discovery and to learn important practical life skills that will not only help them survive in an unknown terrain, but also teach them to respect nature.

Mentoring / Nurturing

Teachers at The Cathedral Vidya School are mentors first and teachers later. Their role includes facilitation of learning along with being a compassionate guide who understands and motivates students during their highs and lows. And, for this reason The Cathedral Vidya School gives special importance towards the foster care of its students. This is done by dividing them into groups and placing each group under the care of a staff member. Additionally, mentoring sessions are held on a weekly basis which provides students a forum to express their ideas, aspirations and challenges.



QUESTIONS THAT PARENTS FREQUENTLY ASK

Q. Will my child settle down to boarding school ?

Our experience in settling over a hundred students, each year, shows us that most students will take between 3 weeks and 3 months to completely settle down. During this time parents must encourage students to follow set boundaries to facilitate smooth transitions

Q. How often can I talk to my child ?

You may call your child twice a week during "calling time". These timings will be given to you by your child's Residence Parent. In emergencies you may call the School Reception or the student's Residence Parent who will connect you to your child

Q. Can my child carry a phone ?

You may give your child a simple phone / a smart phone, with a pre paid sim card . This phone is to be handed over to his Residence Parent who will give it to your child during "calling time". Please check with the Admissions team on the kind of phone permitted at the time the student is joining(this can vary based on the need of the time eg the Blue Whale scare, misuse of internet etc.)

Q. How often can I take my child home for an overnight stay?

Only during the breaks as given in the School Calendar (about once every 12 weeks). Parents are encouraged to plan family events or holidays in synch with the students School Calendar. This is available on the website www.cathedral-lonavala.org on the home page, an year in advance.

Q. How often can I visit my child ?

Every Sunday, between 12 noon and 5 pm. You may choose to spend time with your child on or off Campus. If you wish to take him Off Campus you need to mail in advance. We urge parents to check with the student so that his leaving Campus/ does not disrupt any Team activity that he is scheduled for.

Q. Who else can meet / visit my child ?

Only authorized persons with an authorization e mail to the Head of Residences may visit the student, with prior sanction. You are required to inform the Head of Residences or Residence Parent at least 48 hours in advance of any unscheduled visits.

Q. Can my child keep cash with him/ her ?

This is strictly not permitted and the money will be confiscated if found in possession of any student. Expensive clothes, jewelry, gadgets and credit cards are not permitted in Residences and the School shall not be held responsible for the consequences or loss of such unauthorized articles

Q. What happens if my child is hurt or falls sick ?

The School has an On-Campus medical facility with a Doctor & female Nurse who are available around the clock. If the child requires specialized treatment the School Ambulance will get the child to a medical facility in Lonavala or Pune, based on the need. You will be informed if that happens. Everyday general medical issues may not be reported.

Q. My child is on daily medication, who will take care of it ?

If your child is on daily medication please inform the School Medical Team & Residence Parent, who will ensure dispensing it according to the prescription handed over to the Doctor. We regret our inability to dispense medication without a prescription

Q. What religion does the School follow ?

We respect all religions and students may follow their personal religious practices in their private space. The school does not encourage or discourage any religion. Special meals are usually provided during Navratra, Ramadan, Lent and other traditional periods of feasting or fasting

Q. Do you serve non vegetarian meals ?

We serve non vegetarian, vegetarian & Jain meals in a self- service Canteen. Students may serve themselves according to their choice

Q. My child is a fussy eater who will oversee his eating ?

Most children are fussy eaters as the home exposes them to certain types of meals. Eating with peers and having a wide variety of food allows the child to try out different kinds of food. Teachers and Residence parents are present in the Canteen at meal times to gently nudge children into eating appropriately.

Q. If my child is weak in some subjects how will he catch up ?

Our schedule of supervised Prep for students assists in covering these gaps. We also hold Remedial classes for students that require it. There is no extra charge for Remedial classes

Q. Will the School provide a laptop or do I need to get one?

Currently, students from Grade 6 onwards are required to bring their own laptop.

Q. How is the internet controlled?

Every Laptop on Campus is configured to the School's server and students' access information on a monitored system on a "need to know" basis. Ad hoc checks are administered and students are guided to use technology responsibly and at specific times and certain school areas only



OUR INSPIRATION



MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-CHAIRMAN

The Cathedral Vidya School at Lonavala is a dream come true in more senses than one. Over the years I have learnt that a sound education is crucial to successfully deal with the multitude of issues that confront human existence. In order to meet the needs of the changing times, the students need to be inspired to excel not only academically, but holistically so that they develop into compassionate and caring human beings. In the years to come, this institution will be known as a center of academic excellence and will focus on developing mental mathematical skills, oratorical skills and especially train young people to be confident and self-reliant. My blessings are with everyone who contribute to make this dream into a brilliant reality.

-Mr. Vineet Nayyar



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

"It is best to teach them to be different, to challenge knowledge itself, to think of the world as one, to celebrate its diversities, to be rooted in one's own culture and values, to know one's true identity, to be the dreamer that John Lennon was in Imagine. All this can only happen in a special kind of school. Welcome to the school for tomorrow. Welcome to The Cathedral Vidya School, Lonavala."

-Dr. Aninda Chatterji

- Open Minded and self disciplined environment
- Parent visits on every weekend encouraged
- School Philosophy :
Discipline, Hard work & Simplicity
- Ease of accessibility from Mumbai & Pune



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