

# TESLATIMES

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## April's Quote

*"Listen with curiosity. Speak with honesty. Act with integrity."*

(Roy T. Bennett)

## OUTCOMES FROM GRADE PARENT MEETING

The Grade Parent Meetings in Semester 2 were a meaningful opportunity to strengthen the bridge between school and home. Guided by the quote, "Listen with curiosity. Speak with honesty. Act with integrity," we reflected on the importance of truly understanding one another—listening not just to respond, but to connect. These meetings are more than updates; they are a shared space to align on our children's educational journey. Open, respectful communication between school and parents ensures that we work as a team, with one goal: to nurture and support every child's growth, well-being, and future success. We look forward to concluding the 2024-25 academic year with the secondary parent meeting on 16th May.

## CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE: TESLA STUDENT AWARD SCHEME

At Tesla, we believe in recognising the whole child. The Tesla Student Award Scheme celebrates student achievement across academic, personal, and social domains, aligned with the values of the IB PYP and MYP programmes. From academic excellence and language proficiency to leadership, creativity, and resilience, these awards honour the diverse strengths of our learners and inspire continued growth.

## REFLECTING ON OUR LEARNING JOURNEY THROUGH ATL SKILLS

As AI reshapes our world, it is more important than ever for students to develop uniquely human skills. At Tesla, we guide learners to reflect deeply on their growth through the ATL (Approaches to Learning) framework—especially in self-management, creative thinking, social, and communication skills. These are the areas AI can't replicate: resilience in the face of challenges, empathy in collaboration, originality in problem-solving, and the ability to express ideas with clarity and heart. By nurturing these core skills, students not only track their progress but also prepare to lead humanity in an AI-driven future.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE IN MAY

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| ● PYP Field Trips                                | _____ | between 6th May and 26th May.   |
| ● End of Semester 2 Exams (IB & MOET) & MAP Test | _____ | between 28th April and 17th May |
| ● STEM Week & PYP Exhibition                     | _____ | 19th–22nd May                   |
| ● PYP Graduation and Moving Up Ceremony          | _____ | 30th May                        |
| ● Summer School                                  | _____ | 9th June - 25th July            |



IB PYP  
Early Years

## IB PYP EARLY YEARS

### DISCOVERING THE WORLD THROUGH PLAY: PYP EARLY YEARS AT TESLA

The PYP Early Years framework (ages 3-6) fosters holistic development through play-based, inquiry-driven learning. Rooted in strong relationships and dynamic environments, it encourages creativity, self-regulation, and student agency. Children explore the world with curiosity and joy, supported by the IB Learner Profile attributes. At Tesla, we nurture not just knowledge, but the social, emotional, and personal growth essential for lifelong learning.

### FAREWELL AND TRANSITION: MS. DY'S DEPARTURE

Due to unexpected health concerns, Ms. Dy has had to step away from her role at Tesla. We are deeply grateful for her dedication and contributions to our community. In this time of transition, Ms. Tra has kindly agreed to provide online support for students, teachers, and parents. We appreciate everyone's understanding and continued collaboration.







Primary Years  
Programme

## PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAM



**Mr. Mo**

**Upper PYP Teacher**

### EXPLORING SUSTAINABILITY: LEARNING JOURNEYS IN GRADES 4 AND 5

This year, Grade 4 and Grade 5 students engaged in hands-on learning experiences that connected Science and Social Studies with real-world environmental challenges.

In Grade 4, students explored recycling and composting by collecting food waste from home and school. They observed the transformation of waste into nutrient-rich soil, learning about decomposition, sustainability, and their role in reducing waste. This cross-curricular project fostered awareness and responsibility toward the environment.

In Grade 5, students expanded their learning through three major projects. Two are being prepared for STEM Week—one on water purification and another on desalination, where students explore methods to make water safe and accessible. These experiments deepened their understanding of water scarcity and scientific solutions to global issues.

Their final project, an eco-boat, combines the concepts of forces, buoyancy, and basic electronics. Students applied their knowledge of wiring, circuits, and design to build functional models that represent innovative solutions for cleaning waterways and reducing pollution.

These projects showcase not only scientific knowledge and practical skills but also reflect our transdisciplinary theme: Sharing the Planet. Students are learning how human actions affect the environment and how they can contribute to positive change. Together, these experiences have empowered students to become problem solvers, innovators, and stewards of the Earth, ready to make a meaningful difference in the world around them.







Middle Years  
Programme

## MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAM



**Dr Ollie Peters**

### CELEBRATING GROWTH AND LOOKING AHEAD

As the 2024–25 academic year concludes, we celebrate the remarkable growth of our secondary students—not only in their academic achievement but also in personal development. From improved inquiry and communication to resilience and leadership, our learners have demonstrated the true spirit of the IB.

Looking ahead, our upcoming Grade 10 students will embark on their **Personal Project**, a milestone that encourages them to apply subject knowledge in real-world, local, and global contexts. As part of this preparation, students are encouraged to stay informed by reading and watching current affairs—both in Vietnam and internationally.

This summer, we also invite students to apply their **ATL skills**—from time management to creative thinking—as they plan meaningful and balanced holiday experiences. Here's to a successful year past, and an even more inspiring year ahead!



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# TESLA SUMMER CAMP ENLIGHTENMENT IN THE CHILD

*Kindergarten to Secondary*

## KOALA EARLY YEARS (EE & F1 & F2 & IEYP)

- Circle Time in English
- Fun Phonics
- Cool Math
- Little Pianists
- Outdoor & Sensory Exploration
- Creative Arts & Expression

- Swimming
- Kids Gymnastics
- Hands on Fun
- Lego Day
- Master Chef

## EMU LOWER PRIMARY (KG & G1 & G2)

- Circle Time & Phonics
- Speaking & Singing in English
- ICT & Robotics
- Public Speaking in Vietnamese
- Art & Craft
- Cool Math in English
- Vietnamese Writing

- Swimming
- Dance
- Gymnastics or Sports
- Exciting Science
- Reflection
- Best Lesson of the Day

## KANGAROO UPPER PRIMARY (G3 & G5)

- Academic Vocabulary & Writing
- Knowledge Club in Vietnamese
- Public Speaking & Debate in VN & EN
- Coding
- Robotics
- Eureka Math In English
- Art & Craft

- Swimming
- Dance or Sports
- Best Lesson of the Day
- Reflection
- Vietnamese Math
- Vietnamese Reading & Writing

## PLATYPUS (G6 & G7)

- My ATL Portfolios
- Rock & Roll
- Coding or Digital Animation
- Mental Math
- Project-Based Learning
- Speech & Oral Presentation in VN & EN

- Swimming
- Fitness & Sports
- Fun Cooking
- Vietnamese Math
- Vietnamese Reading & Writing

## DINGO (G8 & G9)

- Academic Reading & Writing
- Speech & Oral Presentation
- Mental Math
- Drama or Dance
- Project-Based Learning
- Team Building & Leadership
- Fun Cooking
- Water Sports
- Best Learning of the Week

- Swimming
- Yoga
- Basketball
- Python
- Badminton
- Research Project
- Vietnamese Math
- Vietnamese Reading & Writing

## CROCODILE GCSE & DP (G10 & G11)

- IGCSE Math
- IGCSE ESL: Writing
- IGCSE Speaking Test
- IGCSE Business Studies
- IGCSE Environment Management
- Computer Animation or Music

- Swimming
- Basketball
- Badminton
- Brainteasers
- Fun Cooking