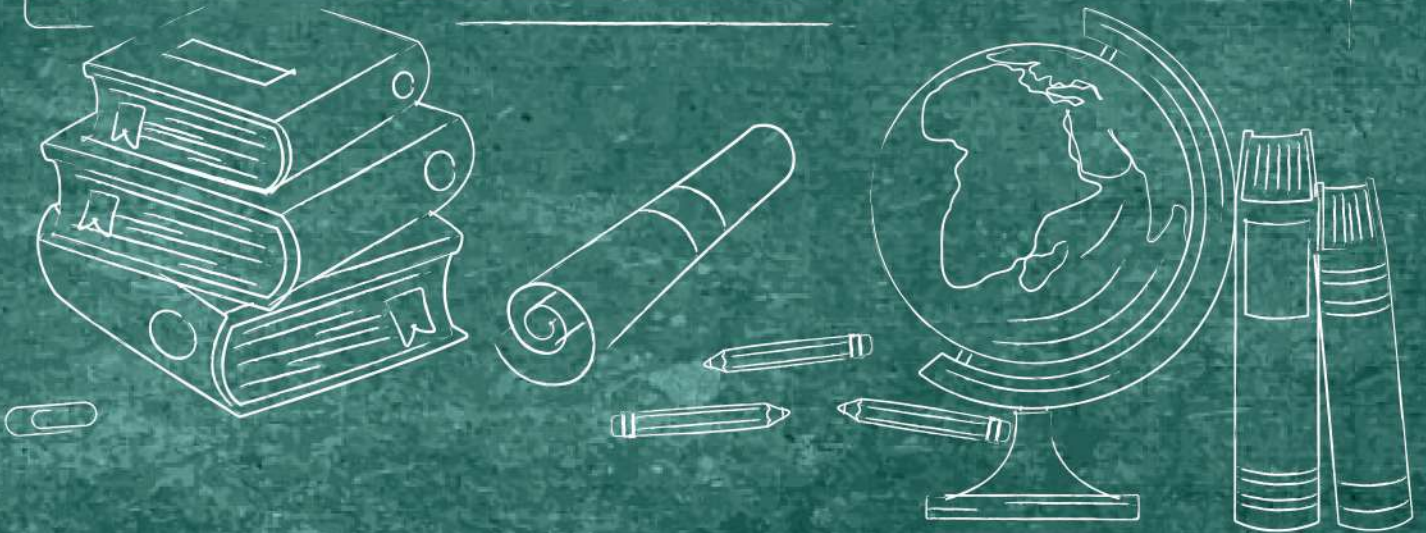




# PINE HILLS

## INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



**EVERY STUDENT MATTERS**





EDUCATING THE MIND WITHOUT  
EDUCATING THE HEART IS  
NO EDUCATION AT ALL. - ARISTOTLE







The Management and Staff are proud to present to all prospective parents and students the Pine Hills International School Prospectus.

At Pine Hills, the student's journey of development begins in Pre-Primary and continues right up through to Pre-University. This journey equips all students with the necessary tools to excel both in terms of attitude and academic excellence.

The key to this transformative process is the school's unique educational philosophy for transformative experiences so students become independent, adaptable, socially responsible and competent in an increasingly competitive world.

Pine Hill International School has the best internationally recognized learning methodologies whereby we extend learning beyond the classroom.

A large part of this educational philosophy is based on empirical evidence gathered from many centres of learning blended together to provide a holistic outlook for building students confidence, vision and ambitions.

We strive to foster the right attitudes and values in all students and a critical part of this process is working hand in hand with parents as a key component of our success.

We look forward to you becoming part of the PINE HILLS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL success story.





**Trustworthiness  
and Reliability**

**Self Respect**

**Learn Something New Everyday**

**Honesty and Integrity**

**Creativity & Innovativeness**

**Delivering a WOW experience**

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# CORE VALUES

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**Fairness and Impartiality**

**Positive Thinking and  
Making right choices**

**Enthusiasm and Passion**

**Heartfelt Communication**

## **Our Vision**

**Students Today,  
Trailblazers Tomorrow**

## **Our Mission**

To be the ultimate Institution of choice which focusses on:

**(A)TTITUDE**

**(B)EHAVIOUR**

**(C)HARACTER**

**(D)ISCIPLINE**

“To develop young adults with Active and Creative Minds, a sense of understanding and compassion for others and the courage to act on their beliefs”

## **Our Motto**

**“EVERY STUDENT MATTERS”**

We at Pine Hills recognise that all students are individuals who have their own unique strengths and weaknesses, gifts and talents. We believe that every child has the right to be included in a broad, balanced and relevant curriculum: and that each student is entitled to have the best possible opportunity to obtain an education which challenges, motivates and rewards them, so that they can fulfil their individual potential.





## The Crown

The Crown indicates the highest achievement from each student through our education system that instils our Core Values and nurtures them to be better individuals of the future.

## The Rudder

Finding their own 'Direction' will enable our students to succeed in their chosen career path and build a strong platform for their lifelong learning process.

## The Atom

An important objective at Pine Hills is to build students' understanding of themselves and others so that they can build on their individual strengths to become mature adults capable of transitioning into the outside world and performing at the peak of their individual abilities.

## The Pine Hills

To reach the top, we at Pine Hills believe in building a foundation based on a great depth of understanding and knowledge which when combined with persistence, will enable all students to discover their individual pathway to excellence.



## The British Curriculum

Pine Hills chooses the best syllabus to educate our students and in our humble opinion, this is the British Curriculum culminating in students sitting for the Cambridge IGCSE (International General Certificate of Secondary Education).

## The Two Lions

The two rampant lions are symbolic of the fearless approach to education. Hence without fear of favour, all children are treated with respect and taught the importance of courage in all of their interactions and dealings with student and staff. These set the pathway to becoming good leaders.



**Mr. Prash Nandwani**  
**Regional Director**

Pine Hills International School (Malaysia)  
Royal British International School (Yangon, Myanmar)  
Educating Future Generation (Singapore)



**Together We Build the Future Generation**



**WELCOME TO**  
**PINE HILLS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL...**

I am delighted to be able to take this opportunity to introduce you to Pine Hills International School, an independent foundation offering a first-class, 21st Century Education for students between the ages of 5 to 19.

We offer children a balanced education in a stable, modern environment but nonetheless focusing on the future. Renowned for our high academic standards, we place equal emphasis on our wide range of extra-curricular activities and the spiritual dimension to our children's lives. Pine Hills International School is, above all, a community in which children can grow, for we seek to develop the whole person, so that ultimately, he or she can enter the fast-changing world of the 21st century with confidence and make a really positive contribution.

We work closely with parents and believe strongly in a partnership between school and home. When our children finally leave school, most will achieve academic results of which they can feel very proud and which enable them to thrive at university. Beyond that point, we want them to be eminently employable, able to work in teams, to get things done, to be resourceful, able to communicate, adaptable and always able to learn more.

We hope that Pine Hills International School students of today will make good citizens in the future, secure and confident in their own beliefs, and tolerant of others. Above all, we want our students to fulfil their potential in all they do and to be the very best they can be.

The prospectus will explain how we go about developing the potential of your child. If you would like to know more and to see for yourselves how our community works in practice, we invite you to come and visit us. Our Principal and colleagues will be delighted to meet you and show you our School.





**Mr Darren Smillie**  
**Academic Director**

Pine Hills International School (Malaysia)

Royal British International School (Yangon, Myanmar)

## **Dear parents, families, and friends,**

As we begin our new academic operations in Malaysia, I am filled with a sense of energy, purpose and inspiration! I firmly believe that education is the key to development. As the country continues its political and economic transition with its new leaders, I am proud to be bringing our standards of academic excellence to the good people of Malaysia and beyond. Our courses are competitively priced in order that we may bring an international education to a much wider section of the Malaysian society, something that I trust will, to some extent, help drive development within the country.

As the country's economy continues to grow and foreign investment increases, there are many more professional opportunities for citizens but, of course, the demand for certain specific skills is also increasing. Such skills and values are nurtured from an early age in our classrooms, where we encourage enquiry and mistakes. No child is ever scolded for giving a wrong answer in our school. Such methods of tuition are ineffective, counter-productive, and have no place in 21st Century classrooms. We strive to capture the imagination and inspire our students through engaging presentations and activities.

Our Academic Pedigree is world class and second to none, combining Cambridge International Examinations programmes with the very best of 21st Century Learning with Education Future Generations (EFG). Our students graduate with keys to success – keys which open the doors to the world's finest educational institutions. There is great competition for places at the world's leading universities but you can be rest assured that your children have the best possible opportunity with our qualifications, globally recognised by universities and employers alike.

The faculty at PHIS is comprised of a mixture of local and international teachers, all of whom have professional teaching experience at the international school level and are fully qualified to teach Cambridge programmes. We also consider the teachers' character when hiring - our teachers must be adaptable, caring, respectable but fun, and full of passion for education. With ongoing professional development for the faculty, tuition is always cutting edge, employing the very latest in pedagogical methodology.

We pride ourselves on a truly international experience. With students from a diverse range of backgrounds, we all enjoy the benefits of a multicultural environment, and celebrate our differences as much as our similarities. Manners, respect, and compassion are all nurtured, in every class and every corridor.

When I look at these students I see more than children. I see the leaders; the educators; the groundbreaking scientists; the titans of industry; and the masters of art that will shape the world of tomorrow.



**Ms. Leonora Anne Peers**  
**Principal**  
Pine Hills International School



## **WELCOME TO PINE HILLS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL...**

Our British-based curriculum provides the framework for the acquisition of knowledge and is also embellished with activities and learning opportunities that enable young people to acquire the self esteem and life skills to become the decision makers in tomorrow's global economy. We deliver high quality education catering for a wide spectrum of nationalities in Malaysia. We also strive to provide a safe and conducive learning and working environment. Your children are our children and we aim to provide the very best, both academically and socially, within a nurturing, family oriented environment.

We want our students to develop positive attitudes, lively and enquiring minds, respect for the world they live in and become independent, confident, caring, productive and responsible young men and women of tomorrow. An understanding of Internationalism underpins all we do and enables our students to develop skills that will allow them to work effectively, play effectively and live effectively in the international community.

We fervently hope that you will take this journey alongside your children, giving them the encouragement and support which will enable them to reach for the stars, to achieve their best in pursuit of excellence.

**"At the Heart of the educational process  
lies the child". - Winston Churchill**





*Every Student*  
**matters**

Topic

Humans and animals

**Activities**

**1** Listen to some sounds. Write down what you hear in your Workbook (page 27).

**2** Choose one sense and make a poster to show how it can help you in daily life.

Learn us about the smell of milk. about safe.

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**Student Exchange Programme**  
Students have the opportunity to visit our partner school, Royal British International School in Yangon, Myanmar and experience a new culture whilst continuing with their studies.

**RM10k to RM20k per year**  
Tier 5 Fees, Tier 1 Education  
Quality for everyone who expresses an interest to be our student.

**Cambridge IGCSE Syllabus**  
We at Pine Hills offer the world most renowned and acclaimed syllabus.

**Highly Accredited Academic Team**  
Our Academic Pedigree is World Class and second to none to provide exceptional quality education for our students.

**Every Student Matters**  
Students get the best opportunity to obtain an education that challenges, motivates and rewards.

# Top 10 Reasons to be A Student Pine Hills International







### **Henkan (へんかん) Programme**

A 21 day Programme with a strong emphasis on Character Building for each child with a focus on Communication Skills, Leadership, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility etc.

### **21st Century Learning**

This learning method extends learning beyond the classroom through unique challenges and brain friendly learning activities.

### **Exclusive & Prestigious Extra-Curricular activities**

We help to develop skills and interests in and out of the classroom with wide range of extra-curricular activities.

### **Culture Assimilation**

Our students experience and learn about different cultures first-hand and discover the similarities and differences as we have a diverse population.

### **Language Learning**

Creativity is increased with the study of foreign languages hence our students learn B.Malaysia and Mandarin, among others.

# Reasons Student of International School







# PATHWAY



## PRE-PRIMARY

## AGE 5-6 YEARS OLD

Our Pre-Primary stage, which is the Early Year's Foundation, is hands on, interactive and offers our students the opportunity for incredible cognitive, as well as social and emotional growth.

We create an environment which allows our students to explore and participate in the learning process developing a genuine interest to know more. This engenders enthusiasm in our students to become more motivated and continue learning for the rest of their lives because their imaginations have been captured right from the best formative age.

By the time students arrive at our Pre-Primary Stage and have completed their course, they are ready for a more formal approach to the basic subjects at Lower Primary Key Stage 1.

## SUBJECTS

- ✓ Easy Mathematics
- ✓ Creative Arts
- ✓ Junior Science
- ✓ Character Education

- ✓ Smart English
- ✓ Fun Malay
- ✓ Music & Movement
- ✓ Mandarin





# PRIMARY

## KEY STAGE 1 & 2

### AGE 6 – 11 YEARS OLD

Lower Primary are arguably the fun years of school life. In Key Stage 1, students are taught in a nurturing environment that encourages their natural curiosity in the world around them.

Upper Primary or Key Stage 2 is the intermediate stage between fun and more serious work. The school time-table for Key Stage 2 reflects a balance of academic learning alongside non-academic development. Pine Hills International places great importance on the learning of languages and students will be required to study 2 additional languages. In compliance with the Malaysian Ministry of Education, all Malaysian nationals are required to take Bahasa Malaysia as one of their second languages. The other additional language will be Mandarin. At this point of time, Mandarin is compulsory only in Year 1 and Year 2.

Cambridge Primary is for learners aged 6 to 11 years of age and the school provides a world-class curriculum to develop learner skills and understanding in English, Mathematics and Science. It enables teachers to assess children's learning as they progress with two optional assessments: Cambridge Primary Progression Tests and Cambridge Primary Checkpoint.

Cambridge Primary Checkpoint tests have been designed to assess learners at the end of Year 6. Assessments are conducted for English, Mathematics and Science, and provide valuable feedback regarding students' strengths and weaknesses before they progress to the next stage of education.

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

Cambridge Primary Checkpoint tests are held in October.

### SUBJECTS

- ✓ English
- ✓ Mathematics
- ✓ Science
- ✓ Art & Design
- ✓ ICT
- ✓ Music
- ✓ Speech & Drama
- ✓ Bahasa Malaysia
- ✓ Mandarin (Optional Year 3 - Year 6)
- ✓ Physical Education
- ✓ Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)
- ✓ Humanities (History and Geography)





# LOWER /UPPER SECONDARY

## KEY STAGE 3

## AGE 12 – 14 YEARS OLD

This is the more serious stage of school life. It involves more enquiry and problem solving based learning. This increases the opportunities for independent study and enables students to make informed choices and decisions on their own.

Cambridge Lower Secondary Checkpoint tests have been designed to assess learners at the end of Cambridge Lower Secondary. They are available in English, Mathematics and Science and give valuable feedback regarding students' strengths and weaknesses before they progress to the next stage of education.

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

## SUBJECTS

- ✓ English
- ✓ Mathematics
- ✓ Biology
- ✓ Chemistry
- ✓ Physics
- ✓ ICT
- ✓ Art & Design
- ✓ Bahasa Malaysia
- ✓ Speech & Drama
- ✓ Music (Year 7 and 8 Only)
- ✓ Commerce (Year 9 Only)
- ✓ Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)
- ✓ Physical Education
- ✓ Mandarin (optional subject taken after school)

## KEY STAGE 4

## AGE 14 - 16 YEARS OLD

The choice of subjects for the IGCSE has to be made before the student's entry to Year 10. The right selection of subjects is an important determinant of how well the students will do overall and the choice of career options that will be available to them later in life. For this reason, students together with their parents will be given advice on the combination and number of subjects for the IGCSE Examinations.

## SUBJECTS

- ✓ English as a 1st Language or English as a 2nd Language
- ✓ Mathematics
- ✓ Bahasa Malaysia
- ✓ Personal, Social and Health Education (non-examinable)
- ✓ Physical Education (non-examinable)

## ELECTIVES

- ✓ Additional Maths
- ✓ Accounting
- ✓ Biology
- ✓ Business Studies
- ✓ Chemistry
- ✓ Combined Science
- ✓ Physics
- ✓ Economics





## A-LEVELS

## AGE 17 - 19 YEARS OLD

Our 'A' Levels Leadership Programme Seeks to develop all-rounded leaders. This Programme gives our students the opportunity not only to excel academically but also to develop personal Leadership Skills through service to their school and to the community.

## SUBJECTS

- ✓ Accounting
- ✓ Business Studies
- ✓ Physics
- ✓ Economics
- ✓ Chemistry
- ✓ Biology



## 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY LEARNING

Pine Hills Primary goal is to develop students' intellect, creativity and character in order for them to become independent, adaptable, socially responsible and internationally minded citizens. We believe that there is no limit to what goals your child can reach. In PINE HILLS INTERNATIONAL, we integrate the 21st Century Education process that extends learning beyond the classroom through unique challenges and brain friendly learning activities.

It connects our students around the world to learn together every day, broadening their thinking and assisting them to harvest the available knowledge. Nurturing 21st Century learning skills will support their success in school and later in life. We strongly encourage every student to reach for their dreams, try something new, and above all, be ambitious.

### COMMUNICATION

Sharing thoughts, questions, ideas and solutions.

### COLLABORATION

Working together to reach a goal – putting talent, expertise and smarts to work in a team.

### CREATIVITY

Trying new approaches to get things done by using innovation, invention and creativity.

### CRITICAL THINKING

Looking at problems in a new way: dimensions, linking learning across subjects and disciplines.





# FACILITIES



**ART  
STUDIO**



**DANCE  
STUDIO**



**SCIENCE  
LAB**



**LIBRARY**



**MINI  
GYM**



**MUSIC  
ROOM**



**INDOOR  
ROCK  
CLIMBING**



**CULINARY  
STUDIO**



**MULTI  
PURPOSE  
HALL**



**PLAY  
AREA**



**GEO  
STUDIO**



**CLASS  
ROOMS**



# EXTRA CURRICULAR

At Pine Hills International School, we are dedicated to personalised learning and helping students discover and pursue their passion.

Our extra-curricular activities will help your children build their skills outside of the classroom. In addition to building skills within a specific discipline, extra-curricular activities are great for developing general academic and soft-skills. Getting involved in extra-curricular activities can help students meet new people with whom they share interests and improve their social skills as a results. Extra-curricular activities also help students to expand their network, which is beneficial for finding career opportunities after graduation.





# HENKAN [へんかん] GOALS

Thoughtfulness  
 Positivity Leadership Passion  
 Finance Relationships Trustworthiness  
 WOW Factor Reliability Nobility Tidiness Caring Enthusiasm  
 Creativity Family Goals Fairness Teamwork Integrity  
 Health Honesty Decisiveness  
 Fitness Drive Communication Morals  
 Impartiality Cleanliness Responsibility



TRANSFORMING EDUCATION,  
 ONE STUDENT AT A TIME.  
 - MAHREY YAP

## "HENKAN PROGRAMME" - TRANSFORMING LIVES

This is what makes us at Pine Hills special and stand apart from other institutions.

We believe fervently in the Henkan Programme, translated from Japanese as 'Transformation'.

Our AIM is to mould our students into strong leaders of the future. These life-long lessons will continue during the course of the year through a customised PSHE programme and other community service activities. We also strive to foster the moral values in a child in hopes for it to grow within them and to develop the leadership skills in them.

The 21-day Henkan Programme focuses on character building of each child. All students must undergo this programme before they commence their studies at Pine Hills International. The programme focuses on Communication Skills, Leadership, Honesty, Responsibility and Integrity to name but a few. A 3-day 2-night camp is an integral part of this unique programme.

**"Transforming Education, One Student at a Time."**



Respect/Manners and Morals  
 Cleanliness and Tidiness  
 Interpersonal Communication Skills  
 Leadership, Responsibility & Decision Making  
 Care and Thoughtfulness for family and society (1 caring day)  
 Discipline and Financial Prudence  
 Pursuit of Excellence and Goal setting  
 Teamwork through activities (ongoing and 3-day camp)  
 Nutrition, Healthy Living and Fitness  
 Assertiveness/Discipline/Nobility  
 Core Values





*Student*

*Exchange Programme*

*study in*  
**MYANMAR**



We provide our secondary students (subject to availability & terms and conditions) with the opportunity to undertake their studies for a term or semester at our Partner School, ROYAL BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL in Yangon, Myanmar.

Our Student Exchange Programme aims to provide opportunities for:

- i. Educational enrichment by introducing students to a different educational philosophy, environment and curriculum.
- ii. Cultural awareness and understanding among students in the local school and community environment.
- iii. Further development of students' linguistic skills.
- iv. Promoting international understanding and cooperation.

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