

## Our School

Established in 2002, the Italian Bilingual School (IBS) is the first Australian school to offer a fully bilingual education in English and Italian. IBS caters for children from Preps to Year 6 and delivers the NSW curriculum in two languages. The school offers a range of programs including STEAM, visual and performing arts, dance, yoga, sport and instrumental tuition as well as a popular Out of School Hour Care (OOSH) Program in English and Italian.



## New enrolments

We welcome new children throughout the year as vacancies arise.

### School hours

Monday to Friday 9:00am to 3:15pm

### Preps Program

Monday to Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm

### OOSH Program

Monday to Friday 3:15pm to 6:30pm

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# IBS Primary School Meadowbank

*Excellence through bilingualism*



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## Our Bilingual Curriculum

Our curriculum is designed to develop cultural awareness and literacy in two languages for children from Preps to Year 6.

A bilingual education strengthens the intellectual, analytical and reflective capabilities of students. They gain an appreciation of language, an understanding of cultural diversity including social, historical and geographical knowledge of both Australia and Italy.

The program is based on teachers working collaboratively, teaching the curriculum in Italian and in English.



**Private bus service: Leichhardt, Drummoyne, Gladesville & Ryde.**



At IBS, each child is taught and nurtured at their point of need, and this contributes to outstanding student achievements in literacy and numeracy in both Italian and English.

### Our Preps Program:

- develops early literacy
- builds numeracy skills
- encourages social development
- prepares children for formal schooling
- introduces children to Italian language & culture
- inspires cultural awareness

The school has a well-earned reputation for providing a caring environment with a committed staff who have high levels of expertise.

## An environment for success

The Italian Bilingual School offers a range of programs including music, dance, sport and instrumental tuition. Students also have access to their own radio station and film studio within the Mamma Lena and Dino Gustin Innovation Centre, a space where they can use their language skills while developing technical expertise.

A popular Out of School Hour Care (OOSH) Program is also provided in English and Italian.

## Benefits of Bilingualism

Learning to understand, speak, read, write and think in two or more languages opens up a whole world of possibilities for children and adults alike.

Being able to see beyond the boundaries of one language or culture is both empowering and liberating.

It allows students to explore, understand and appreciate the wealth that is to be found in both languages.

