

1.3. Primary School Cycle

Pupils shall be admitted to Primary year p1 at the beginning of the school year in September of the calendar year in which the child reaches six years of age. In the Primary School the focus is on the mother tongue or dominant language (L1), Mathematics and the first foreign language (L2), but Art, Music, Physical Education, Discovery of the World and Religion/Ethics are important, as are the “European Hours”, where children from the different sections with mixed nationalities meet for a variety of activities.

1.3.1. Primary School Harmonised Timetable

Subject	Years 1 and 2	Years 3, 4, 5
Mother tongue (SWALS L1)	8 hours (2 hours 30)	6 hours 45 (3 hours 45)
Mathematics	4 hours	5 hours 15
Language 2	2 hours 30	3 hours 45
Music Art Physical Education	5 hours	3 hours
Discovery of the World	1 hour 30	3 hours
European Hours		1 hour 30
Religion/Ethics	1 hour	1 hour 30
Recreation	3 hours 30	2 hours 30
Total	25 hours 30	27 hours 15
ONL - Irish/Maltese*	1hour 30	1 hour 30
ONL - Finnish/ Swedish*	1hour 30 ⁷	1 hour 30
*ONL is taught during the school day		

⁷ Decision of the Board of Governors: 2018-04-D-11.