

TESLATIMES

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October's Quote

"The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing"
(Walt Disney)

Tesla is on a remarkable journey, one that demonstrates our commitment to education not just in words, but in action. We are proud to announce the successful authorization of the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) and to soon welcome the IB Diploma Programme (DP) team for our first visit in November. Our new PYP learning area has come to life, and the DP learning area is on its way, ready to inspire a new generation of learners.

As we grow, we are also excited to welcome new students joining in Semester 2, reflecting the strength and trust in our community. To ensure everyone can celebrate together, the Swimming Carnival has been rescheduled for January, continuing the Tesla tradition of unity and fun.

Our Head of School warmly invites all parents to the upcoming Grade Parent Meetings, a valuable opportunity to connect, share ideas, and help shape the next chapter of Tesla's growth.

Together, we are building education for a better world - one milestone, one community moment at a time.

IMPORTANT NOTICE IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

- DP Authorisation First Visit _____ 17-19 November
- Teacher's Day _____ 20th November (No School)
- Tesla Open Day (Marketing) _____ 29th November
- Swimming Carnival _____ Postponed to January 2026
- Semester 1 Exam _____ 15-19 December
- End of year concert _____ 19th December

GRADE PARENT MEETING WITH HEAD OF SCHOOL IN SEMESTER 1

Place: IB Central Room

- Grade 5 _____ Tuesday, 2nd December, 3 PM
- Grade 4 _____ Wednesday, 3rd December, 3 PM
- Grade 3 _____ Thursday, 4th December, 3 PM
- Grade 2 _____ Tuesday, 9th December, 3 PM
- Grade 1 _____ Wednesday, 10th December, 3 PM
- KG _____ Thursday, 11th December, 3 PM
- EY _____ Friday, 5th December, 3 PM



IB PYP EARLY YEARS



Ms Hanh Nguyen

October marked a special beginning with me - Ms. Hanh joining Tesla in my new role. Throughout the month, our lovely students enjoyed a variety of engaging activities centered around the theme “Who We Are.” Through lessons about self-discovery, the children practiced communication skills, learned to express their emotions, and built confidence while participating in group activities.

In addition, the Halloween activity brought lots of joy and creativity, as the children dressed up in costumes and helped decorate their classrooms. The Early Years team continues to strive to provide a safe, warm, and inspiring learning environment for every child each day.

EY STAFFING UPDATE

We are delighted to welcome two talented educators to our Early Years team.

Ms. Ela, a licensed Montessori-trained teacher with extensive Early Years experience, has quickly built strong, positive connections with our youngest learners through her nurturing and engaging classroom approach.

We also warmly welcome Ms. Hanh, our new Early Years Coordinator, who brings nearly 14 years of teaching and leadership experience. She is currently leading Tesla’s five-year MOET inspection renewal and will soon meet with parents to share new learning opportunities designed to inspire curiosity and creativity in our children.





Mr Lucas and Ms Ha



Primary Years Programme

PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAM

As we conclude Term 1, it has been inspiring to see how much our students have developed in their social skills, participation, and collaboration both within the classroom and across our school community. Students have shown growing confidence in sharing ideas, supporting their peers, and working together toward common goals. Beyond social growth, we have witnessed meaningful progress in their academic learning. Students are applying newly acquired knowledge in creative and thoughtful ways, whether through class projects, hands-on activities, or group discussions. Their enthusiasm for learning continues to shine through every challenge and success.

We would like to thank all parents for your active involvement and ongoing support. Your presence at the Parent Teacher Conference and your engagement in our school community which makes a significant difference in each child's learning journey.





Middle Years
Programme

MIDDLE YEARS
PROGRAM



Dr Ollie Peters

Secondary School Update

Our secondary school has launched into the year with real energy, purpose, and pride — and you can feel the buzz across campus. Students are settling in beautifully, teachers are in full stride, and there is a sense of growth and forward movement everywhere you look.

Our Year 10 students are already hard at work on their Personal Projects, showing independence, curiosity, and commitment. Year 9 have also stepped up, embracing new responsibilities and demonstrating initiative in their learning — a real sign of emerging leadership.

Our Year 8 students are starting to find their stride as confident, independent learners, building strong study habits and supporting one another as they navigate new academic challenges. Year 7 have been acting like seasoned veterans of the school, setting a positive tone and showing maturity beyond their years — a wonderful foundation for our future secondary culture. And our newest members, Year 6, have made an excellent start to their secondary journey. They arrived ready and willing, and they've risen to the challenge beautifully — you can already see their confidence and independence growing day by day.

This term has also marked a milestone for our school. We recently completed our IB MYP authorization visit, which went very well, and we now look ahead with excitement to our IB DP authorization on November 17–18. Meanwhile, our Senior Secondary learning spaces (formerly the PYP area) are being refreshed and reimagined to reflect the future of learning at Tesla — a place where our oldest students will study, collaborate, and prepare for life beyond school.

Most importantly, I am incredibly proud of our students across every grade level. Their enthusiasm, kindness, effort, and willingness to try new things set the tone for everything we do. Watching them grow, support one another, and step into new expectations is a privilege and a joy.

Thank you to all of our families for your ongoing support, trust, and encouragement. Our school continues to rise because we rise together — students, teachers, families, and community.

If you ever have questions, ideas, or would simply like to connect, you are always welcome to reach me at: ollie.peters@tesla.edu.vn

Here's to a wonderful year ahead — full of momentum, possibility, and shared success.





Ms Phuong Phan

MOET PROGRAM

More than half of Semester 1 has passed, and the school continues to implement a range of important initiatives to enhance educational quality and ensure student safety. One of our top priorities is school safety, which includes facility inspections, fire drills, and creating a healthy, secure learning environment for all students.

The school is actively working with local authorities to address issues related to relocating and improving the sanitation of the sidewalks surrounding Tesla's campus.

At the same time, we are focusing on professional development for teachers, particularly in History and Geography. MOET teachers have participated in training sessions organized by the Department of Education and Training (DOET) to strengthen their teaching skills, update curriculum knowledge, and apply innovative instructional methods that make lessons more engaging and effective.

These efforts reflect the school's commitment to comprehensive educational development ensuring high-quality learning experiences and a safe environment for every student.

