



## MYP 4 Welcome Letter

Dear New and Returning Families,

We are thrilled to welcome your child (back) to this school year. For those entering ISH for the first time, welcome to our school community! In order to make your child's school start smooth, please read the letter below.

**Remember that new students first visit the school on** <u>Friday 8th August at 9:00</u>. This is not a full school day. See the <u>Family Guide</u> for more details.

School Start: The first school day for all Middle School students is Monday 11th of August 2025.

**All students should arrive at 9:00** to meet their advisors and become oriented to the new academic year.

Further details will be shared about the first day and the structure of the new school year through the Family Guide and during the first advisory session. Note that we will not have a full orientation week, as we have in the past years. Instead, this year, we will host a range of events and activities to bring our community together throughout the year. A calendar of these events will be shared at the beginning of the school year.

**Materials:** Students are required to have the necessary materials with them each school day. The school provides notebooks and folders for all classes, but you will find a general list of additional supplies below. Specific items needed for subject classes will be communicated by subject teachers in August, as needed and the time frame for bringing those items to school will be shared by the subject teacher. Additionally, there is a Bring Your Own Device policy at ISH; therefore, students are expected to bring a **charged**, **up-to-date** and **well-functioning** laptop along with a charger to all lessons.

## **MYP General Supply List**

- Backpack
- Pencil Case with pencils, pens, erasers, highlighters (multiple colors), scissors, glue sticks,
  ruler
- Subject notebooks and folders (provided by the school)
- Charged Laptop and Charger
- USB Drive
- Calculator Texas Instruments TI-30XB MultiView
- Combination or Key Lock (for locker)





- Water bottle
- Small bag with athletic shoes (indoor and outdoor) and clothes for PHE

**Communication:** Toddle is the key platform for communication to you from the school, and the teachers use it to post materials, assignments, feedback, and grades. Information relevant for families will be posted on Toddle via the Friday newsletters sent by our Middle School Principal/MYP Coordinator, Monica Coburn. In case you want to reach a specific teacher, you can find teacher emails posted in the footer of the weekly newsletter.

Please ensure that you have reviewed and signed the School Home Partnership Agreement, the Field Trip Permission Form, and the Photo and Video Consent Form sent to you by the school via Toddle. Advisors will check off that each family has submitted these consent forms.

**Role of the Advisor:** There are two class groups per grade level. Advisors are responsible for appx. 24 students. Advisors are responsible for any general issues, concerns, and questions that you and your child come across during the year. They are responsible for delivering the social-emotional learning curriculum. For subject-specific queries, please contact the relevant subject teacher.

**Well Being Leader:** Student well being, including social-emotional development and attendance, are closely monitored by our counselor and Well Being Leader, Stine Olsen. She supports our advisory team, intervenes when students display a need for social and emotional support and communicates regularly with families.

**High School Transition Planning:** Conversations about readiness for high school are key in MYP4 for students to understand the different educational pathways available in Denmark. The focus of the year will be consolidating learning, deepening understanding and engagement with service learning and concrete preparations for high school. Students will complete their MYP Community Project and Practicum (work experience) while applying to high school as well.

**Middle School Parent Welcome Evening:** Parents are warmly invited to attend our parent information meeting on 28 August from 4:00-6:30 pm.

- → 4:00 Welcome Message
- → 4:10-4:55 Subject Gallery Walk Meet our subject teachers
- → 5:00-5:30 Assembly with MS Principal
- → 5:30-6:30 Advisory meeting and Class Parent Invitation

Looking forward to meeting you during the Middle School Welcome Evening.





Warm regards,

Monica Coburn Middle School Principal and the MYP Coordinator 2025-2026 MYP 4 Advisors Team