GROUP 8: PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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AIMS

The aims of the teaching and study of physical education are to encourage and enable the student to develop:

- an appreciation and understanding of the value of physical education and its relationship to a healthy, balanced lifestyle
- an interest in the promotion of health and wellness
- the motivation to participate fully in all aspects of physical education
- their optimal level of physical fitness
- effective communication strategies, verbal, non-verbal and written
- the skills and understanding necessary to participate successfully in a variety of physical activities, for example, learning, practising, refining, adapting, thinking, interacting
- the ability to reflect critically on all aspects of physical education, including being a critical performer
- an understanding of international perspectives on physical activity, sport and health education
- a lifelong interest in and enjoyment of physical activities as a participant

PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN MYP is concerned with more than just participating in sports and games. Its primary aims are to encourage the development of "intelligent performers" and to encourage students to understand the importance of a balanced, healthy lifestyle. This in turn should encourage choices that will contribute to long-term healthy living.