

# Looking for an International Education in Ljubljana? What's best for your child?

## DANILA KUMAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



### *Some good reasons to choose Ljubljana's most established international school*

**Successfully delivering International Baccalaureate approved programmes for nearly 20 years**



*Over the past 18 years, our teachers and administrators have devised a quality holistic educational programme that stimulates learning, generates good study habits, and promotes positive attitudes to the teaching and learning processes. In a fast changing world, this experience is an essential backdrop to our school's current and future development as a progressive and contemporary academic institution.*

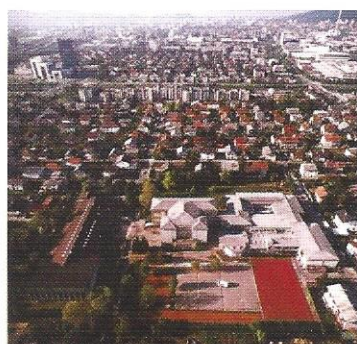
### **Holistic education spanning kindergarten, elementary & secondary schooling**

*Kindergarten students and students up to Grade 5 are part of the Primary Years Programme (PYP). The PYP focuses on the total growth of the developing child, affecting hearts as well as minds, in addressing the social, physical, emotional and cultural needs of the students, in addition to their academic welfare. This has resulted in a highly relevant and engaging educational programme.*



*The Middle Years Programme (MYP), for older children, accentuates the inter-relatedness of traditional subjects; nurturing a holistic view of knowledge and the connections it fosters. MYP students are encouraged to develop intercultural awareness, along with genuine understanding of their own history and traditions.*

### **A comprehensive array of school facilities**



- Individual classrooms for each grade.
- Research & reading library with over 36,000 books, of which 14,000 are in English.
- Specialist Science, ICT & Craft Technology classrooms.
- Three Sport gymnasiums, outdoor all-weather playing areas with artificial turf pitches.
- In-house kitchens, which provide snacks and meals; catering for vegetarian and special diets.
- On-site dentist, dietician, speech therapist, educational psychologist and counselling.



## Small school feeling with a positive school climate



*Danila Kumar can be considered a small school. Each class has between 12 and 18 students, which provides an excellent teacher-student ratio, and one that augments the positive school climate for which we are known. The teaching staff at Danila Kumar prides itself on maintaining a close rapport with each of the students; in fact, all visitors can feel the atmosphere of friendly camaraderie.*

*The school has a successful teacher and peer mediation programme, which aims to promote communication within the school community and gives our students important social and emotional learning opportunities.*

## Regular IB evaluations; approved and supported by the Slovenian Ministry of Education & Sport

*All programmes at Danila Kumar are authorised and regularly evaluated by the International Baccalaureate Organisation and the Slovenian Ministry of Education and Sport. Our programmes are continually monitored and enhanced to make the best of contemporary teaching methodologies and assessment.*



## Internationally and nationally recognised schooling & reporting

*Our PYP and MYP teaching programmes are accepted by the IBO, and the Slovenian Ministry of Education and Sport; all report cards issued to students are valid and recognised around the world and in Slovenia.*

## With students from over 40 countries we express our internationalism every day



*We consider ourselves a truly international school; children from up to 40 different countries may be enrolled in any one-year, adding to the spirit of internationalism that we strive to embody. Our student-friendly policies and practices allow children who join us from different countries or schooling systems to become quickly integrated into the culture and language of school.*

## An international school within an international community

*As an international community, we consider building worldwide relationships with like-minded organisations essential. Danila Kumar has become an important student teacher training venue for young teachers from the University of Minnesota Duluth and St Mary's College of Maryland. The school also cooperates with European universities, with other IBO schools, takes part in numerous international projects and is developing growing affiliations with organisations such as the Juventus Academy.*



## Progressive and contemporary holistic learning



*Students at Danila Kumar receive a high quality education that stimulates lifelong learning, develops skills and globally relevant concepts, generates good learning habits and promotes positive attitudes.*

*Within the PYP and MYP programmes we offer a comprehensive, inquiry-based and student-centred approach to teaching and learning. We focus on the total growth of the developing child — intellectual, physical, emotional and social, which we monitor and scaffold with holistic assessment.*

*Holistic processes are also an essential part of teacher development and improvement of the school's practices and procedures; leading by example means that this holistic ethos extends around the school.*

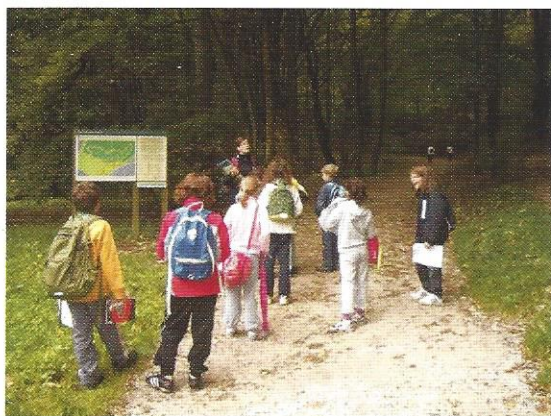
## Dedicated and well-trained staff

*Well-trained and dedicated teaching staff are integral to the success and development of Danila Kumar; they understand the benefits of teamwork - coming together to plan stimulating units, themes and events to enhance student learning.*

*To maintain this level of attention, our teachers regularly attend international courses: IBO workshops and conferences, European Council of International Schools (ECIS) conventions; they attend Slovenian seminars and invite specialist instructors to run in-house workshops for teacher development.*



## Interdisciplinary learning through the local and international community



*In addition to regular classes, students have collapsed days or lessons that allow them to participate in different activities such as field study trips, class excursions, and interdisciplinary units or projects that focus on internationalism, environments, health & social education, community & service actions, sports days, science activities and cultural events.*

*Through our national affiliations, students at Danila Kumar have the opportunity to join an established programme of field trips and training courses. Swimming practice courses are delivered to 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students. 4<sup>th</sup> grade students take part in the national cycling tests. 5-day field trips are arranged for other grades.*

*The possibility for further teacher and student exchanges with like-minded partner schools are also in the pipeline. Students of all ages are also able to participate in a variety of Slovene and internationally recognised competitions and contests.*



## After school enrichment

*The development of the child does not finish at the end of the school day. Danila Kumar International School offers, free of charge, many extra-curricular activities ranging from athletic sports, arts and crafts to other specialist interest clubs such as reading, writing, dancing, computing and mountain walking.*

## Upholding IBO principles & practices

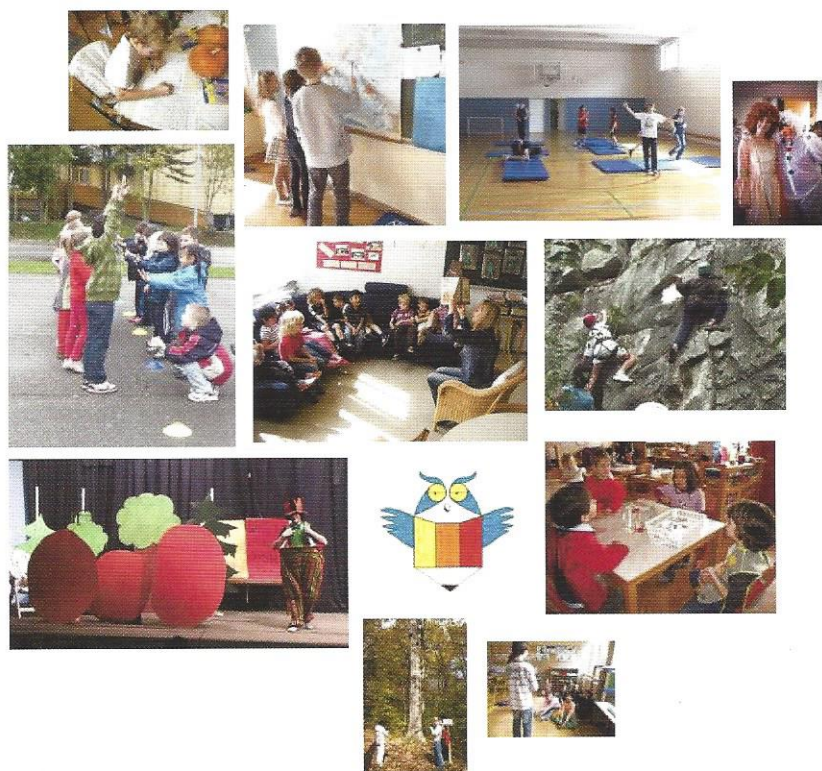
*With a successful track record since 1993, we are proud to have been pioneers in Slovenia and in continuing to uphold the IB mission:*



*"The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.*

*To this end the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.*

*These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right."*



## ENQUIRIES AND CONTACT DETAILS

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