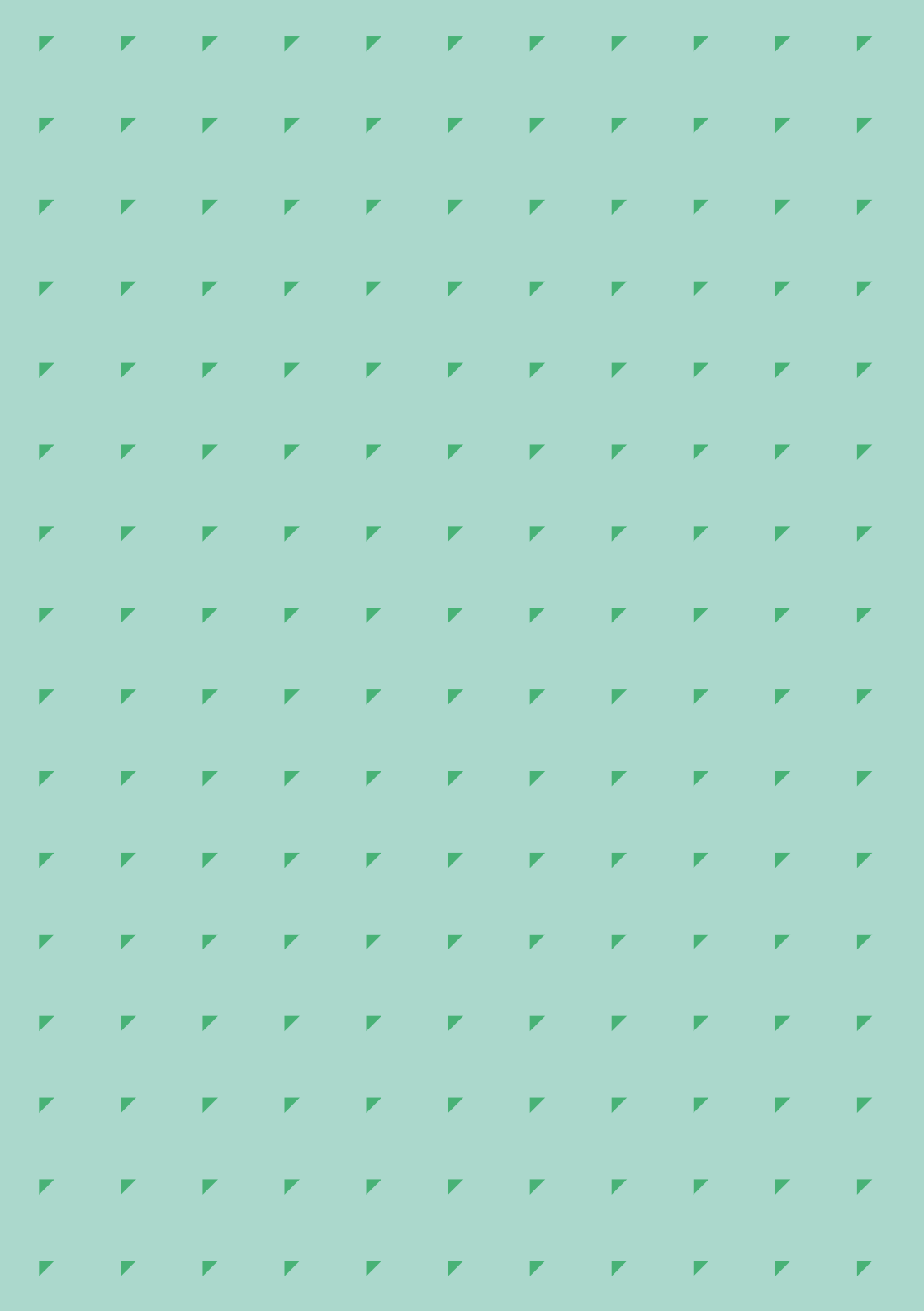




**Give your child a head
start for university,
work and life**



Did you know?

Universities have always looked for students who are independent, self-motivated and creative critical thinkers.

On top of this, they now increasingly value technological skills that are relevant to the digital age; as an example, the University of Oxford have an extensive digital learning strategy, and Harvard University have their own offering of Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs).

Similarly, businesses look for employees who can not only add value, but can accelerate them forwards on an increasingly connected world stage with bright ideas for the future, and an essential global mindset.

As Damian Hinds, Education Secretary for England said:

“Schools need to prepare young people for a digital revolution and a fast-changing jobs market.”

Enable your child to succeed

Pamoja Taught courses align with International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) standards; a global education framework that outlines the essential skills required for student success at university, work and life. They also help students develop all attributes of the IB learner profile:

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| ✔ Inquirers | ✔ Open-minded |
| ✔ Knowledgeable | ✔ Caring |
| ✔ Thinkers | ✔ Risk-takers |
| ✔ Communicators | ✔ Balanced |
| ✔ Principled | ✔ Reflective |



Learning opportunities

What are Pamoja Taught courses?

Pamoja Taught courses give students the opportunity to study International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma or Career-related Programme subjects online. The IB DP is a prestigious qualification for 16-19 year olds, “developing students who have excellent breadth and depth of knowledge - students who flourish physically, intellectually, emotionally and ethically.” We’ve been working with the IB since 2009, and now teach thousands of students from around the world, promoting responsibility and success.

Who can take them?

Hundreds of IB World Schools across the globe already work with us to offer a broader choice of Diploma Programme subjects to their students.

Consider our range of online courses if your child:

- ◆ Attends or plans to attend a school that offers the IB Diploma Programme
- ◆ Attends or plans to attend a school that offers the Career-related Programme
- ◆ Needs to transfer from a partially completed course (referred to as transfer students)

How does it work?

Students join a classroom of up to 35 learners from all around the world, and are given access to the course content through an online learning platform. The content is broken down into weekly lessons: each week, objectives will be introduced to help your child stay on track.

The course is mostly taught asynchronously using the materials and resources already available on the learning platform. Each student also has the opportunity to join a live lesson with their teacher, where they can interact with classmates and have their questions answered straight away.



High teaching standards

Pamoja Taught courses are written by subject matter experts, taught by experienced teachers and authorised by the IB. They cover the same course content and prepare students for the same assessments as traditional face-to-face IB DP courses.



Wide variety

Online options provide your child with a wider range of subjects to choose from, enabling them to study something they're truly passionate about. Please visit our website to view the most up-to-date list of courses.



Flexibility

Online courses can fit around other commitments, as our learning platform is accessible at any time, from any place. Students are in control of their own learning, setting their own path through the content.



Dedicated support

Students benefit from one-to-one contact with experienced IB teachers who are trained in digital learning strategies. A trained Site-based Coordinator at the student's school regularly monitors student progress and provides additional face-to-face support if required.



Global community

Our online courses are highly interactive, providing a global classroom through which your child can have contact with teachers and other students from around the world. This strengthens intercultural awareness.



Excellent outcomes

61% of Pamoja students achieved a grade 5 or above (2014 - 2018). Pamoja students' average results are typically in line with the IB global average.



How are students supported?

Our teachers have an average of 16 years' experience, and are trained in digital learning strategies. Your child can contact them anytime online, not only during their live lessons.

Technology allows our teachers to accurately monitor student progress, and provide support at the point it is needed most. However, we know how important it is to ensure that students are fully supported both online and in their schools. That's why we also have a Site-based Coordinator (SBC) in place at each IB World School; a face-to-face point of contact and existing member of the school's staff, who offers an additional level of guidance. Our dedicated Academic and School Services teams provide support to your child's teacher and SBC, ensuring they are fully equipped to provide the highest level of support to your child.



I had confidence in Pamoja because they have a representative at the school who provides support. It's not just an online course - there is someone from the teaching staff at the school who is also checking in with him, making sure that things are going well, that he's doing his work and that it's a successful experience for him."

Wayne Burnett, father of Pamoja student, Kaymin




How will your child be prepared for university?

- Online IB DP students' results have the same status for university admissions as a course taught in a traditional face-to-face IB classroom
- Universities have traditionally viewed students with IB experience favourably, and in many cases, will extend university credit based on the results of a student's IB exams
- Students taking Pamoja online courses will enjoy the same admissions and credit benefits as students who take IB courses on campus

According to research carried out by the University of London's Institute of Education with students using Pamoja courses:

- 100% of participants said that, prior to university, they had gained experience in a range of online learning tools that they are now using as part of their university learning
- Many indicated that the pre-university experience of online learning provided 'rehearsal space', allowing students to develop their approaches to study, including note-taking, information searching, and communicating online (with peers and teachers) before starting university



We're very keen on students who have been well supported through the online learning experience. That's actually a very good proxy for the experience when they come to Oxford."

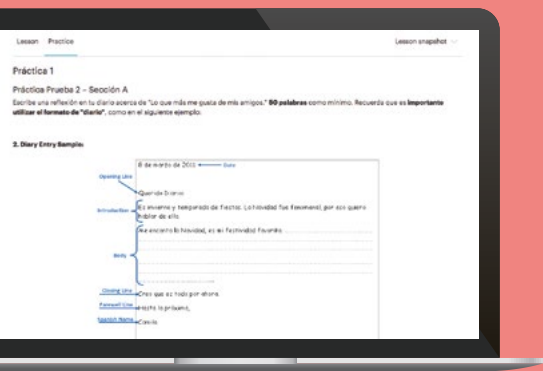
Mike Nicholson, Director of Student Recruitment & Admissions at the University of Bath and former Director of Undergraduate Admissions and Outreach, University of Oxford


My Pamoja Scholarship helped me get into university

My name is Raghav, and I'm coming to the end of a two-year scholarship with Pamoja. Before I was offered the chance to apply, I hadn't ever heard of anyone getting an IB scholarship and the benefits have been numerous.

I recently completed my university applications and the experience of learning online gave me a huge advantage; both in terms of skill set and the format itself. It was the one thing that I wrote about for every application because it made me stand out. It definitely helped me to get in to most of the universities I applied for and it's also been a fantastic experience all round.

Before Pamoja, I was always taught traditionally. The transition to learning online was pretty hard, but luckily the Pamoja platform is really simple, well-structured and easy to navigate. I quickly gained the ability to learn independently, and I think that's really important. Thanks to a supportive environment and regular weekly assignment deadlines, I've learnt to work hard. I've also learnt to manage my time which is an invaluable life skill. When you study online you've got to get the work done – there's a deadline – but you can do it however/whenver you want.





Most people associate online learning with higher education more than school, so it's a big plus if a university gets a student who is already adapted to that way of studying. It's a plus that no face-to-face teaching can really give.

This flexibility is unique to Pamoja and it makes you great at independent learning; a skill that universities look for.

You also get exposed to many different cultures when studying with Pamoja. By studying with and learning from people all around the world, you become internationally minded and that's something you don't get in a regular classroom. Online lessons always stand out for me because everyone joins in and engages with each other. I remember one conference I had for Spanish class with students from England, Italy – so many other places! It was really fun meeting new people and I've made friends with a couple of students in different countries after getting to

know them really well during the scholarship.

Universities really search for students who can take them forward and are different. If there's one thing that separates me from other students, it's online learning and my scholarship. Most people associate online learning with higher education more than school, so it's a big plus if a university gets a student who is already adapted to that way of studying. It's a plus that no face-to-face teaching can really give. At university, you have lectures and then you go home and learn it; we already did that with Pamoja.

Raghav
Student at GEMS Wellington
Academy, Silicon Oasis



Joining a global community

We develop innovative ways to provide students with a collaborative and dynamic online learning environment that supports them in achieving their academic potential, using interactive live lessons, messaging, discussion forums and journals.

By working with classmates and faculty who are around the world, students can develop international understanding that will be valued by universities and employers alike. This international student community is supported by our Global Student Council (GSC). The GSC is a group of carefully selected year one and two Pamoja Taught IB DP students, who act as Student Ambassadors for the worldwide community of Pamoja learners. The GSC meet online monthly to define and implement different ways to engage with and support Pamoja students through their online learning journey. They also publish bi-monthly newsletters that offer a student view on international topics of interest, and include top tips, learning moments, brainteasers, student artwork and content submissions from the wider student community. All new Pamoja students are given the opportunity to apply for a position on the GSC.



IB promotes intercultural and global understanding and that focus is evident every day that I discuss logarithms with a hundred teenagers from around the world, or am in a live lesson with students from Japan and Argentina, even more than in a standard classroom.”

Karennna, student at Joseph C. Wilson Magnet High School, New York



What do other parents say?

“Amy’s marks have improved significantly from where she began to where she is now, and we’re all really pleased. Before she started she really didn’t like French. She had this idea that she was absolutely useless - she couldn’t speak properly, couldn’t pronounce the words properly, she would never be able to do this. I don’t know how Pamoja did it, but she is now considering Eastern Europe as a place to study, and French would then be her language that she’d carry on studying alongside medicine. She’s willing to go for it and learn more French - it’s boosted her confidence, she doesn’t stress about the pronunciation and the vocabulary anymore.”

Sandy Trull, mother of Pamoja student, Amy

“My daughter is currently taking Mandarin with Pamoja because we lived in China and Malaysia where she had very close contact with the language and grew up speaking, reading and writing it, so Mandarin was one of the courses she would definitely take. When we got to Cairo the school didn’t offer it, and so we immediately considered signing up for Pamoja. It was a no brainer and an easy process - she is doing very well.”

Alexander Trespach Nenes, School Principal at Narmer American College in Cairo, Egypt and father of Pamoja student, Lia

“Kaymin has done very well in his two Pamoja courses, and I’m very pleased with his experience. Because Pamoja is online, he’s had to manage his time and make sure he stays up-to-date with assignments and assessments. He’s really developed his independence and I think he’s ready to head off to university, take care of himself and do really well.”

Wayne Burnett, father of Pamoja student, Kaymin

Next steps

Find out more at
pamojaeducation.com



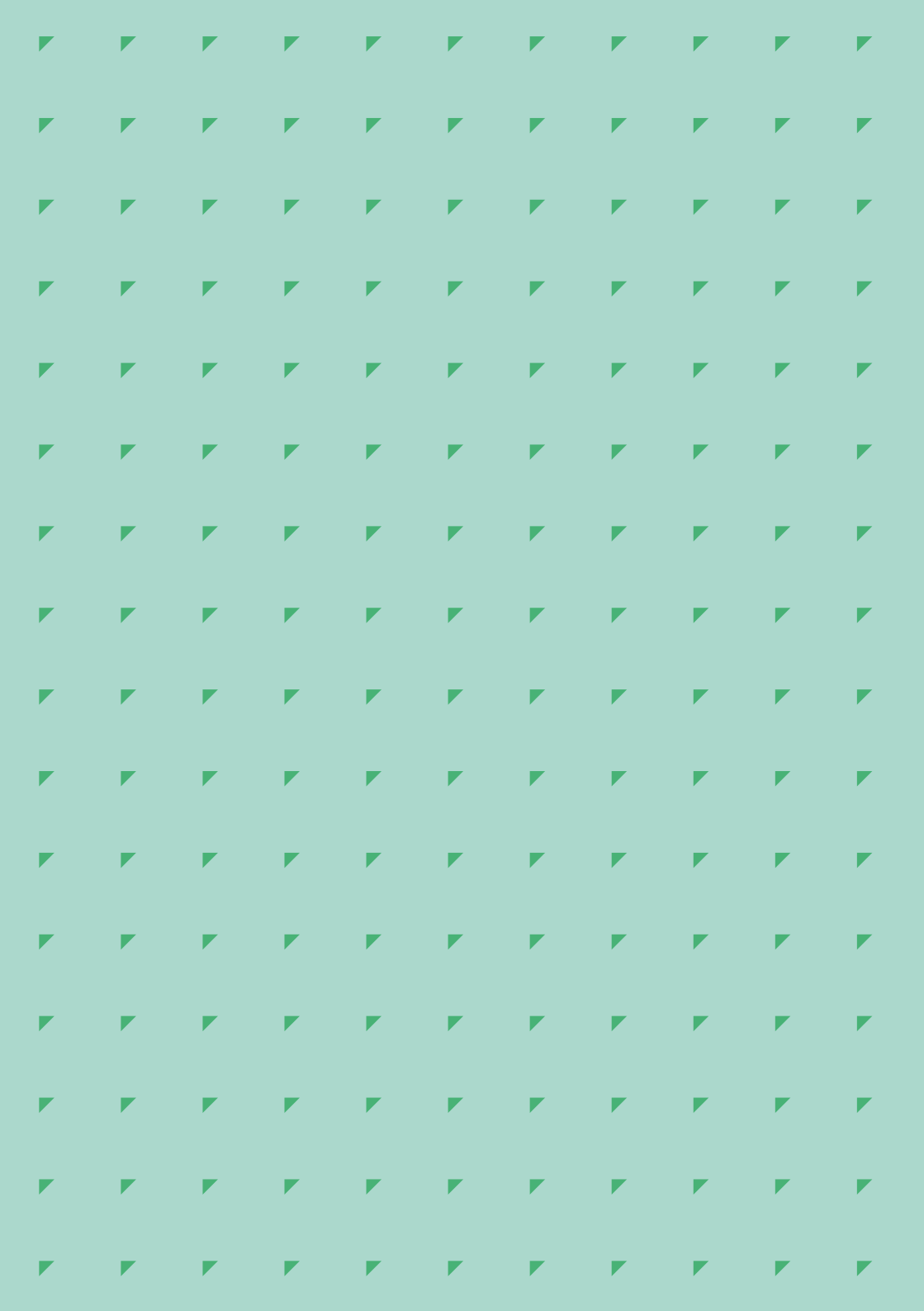
Enrolment

Enrolment is done through the IB World School's Diploma Programme Coordinator (DPC)



Get in touch

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