



Press Release - 20 August 2019

International School Award to 41 schools in Nepal and dialogue on embedding international dimensions into the curriculum

British Council Nepal awarded International School Award to 41 schools in Nepal and reaccruited three schools at their award ceremony held on 20 August 2019. This award is endorsed by the Center for Education and Human Resource Development (CEHRD) and this is the 7th year that Nepali Schools are being awarded through this programme.

The awards were handed over by the Chief Guest, Mr. Khagaraj Baral, Honourable Secretary, Ministry of Education Science and Technology and Guest of Honour Richard Morris, HMG British Ambassador to Nepal, British Embassy, Kathmandu.

Out of 64 schools from all over Nepal initially working on International School Award, 56 schools submitted their dossiers last year. The award-winning schools will be allowed to use the coveted International School Award kite mark along with their school logo on all the official stationery and promotional materials for a period of three years.

British Council Nepal is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year in Nepal and 20th year of successful ISA around the globe.

Along with the award ceremony, The British Council also hosted a policy dialogue on **“Embedding global learning and International dimension into the curriculum”**. The main objective of the event was to provide a platform for stakeholders from the Ministry of Education and its line agencies, UK and schools from Nepal along with international speakers, practitioners and University experts to discuss

- where they are with preparing their students for a place in the global economy and
- how they might embed international dimension into their school’s ethos and curriculum and
- explore current best practices from Nepal and globally.

List of full award winners

S.No	Name of the winning schools	District
1	Adarsha English Boarding Secondary School	Parbat
2	Apex Life School	Kathmandu
3	Arunima Secondary School	Kathmandu
4	Shree Banganga Secondary School	Kapilvastu
5	Bluebird English Secondary School	Lalitpur
6	Darshaniya Rameshwar Singh Kushwaha Academy	Dhanusa
7	Delhi Public school	Dharan
8	Edify International School	Kathmandu
9	Gaindakot Namuna Secondary School	Nawalparasi
10	Global Pathshala	Bhaktapur
11	Gorkha Secondary School	Tulsipur, Dang
12	Gyan Bagaichaa English Boarding School	Tanahun
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13	Gyan Punja Boarding School	Kapilvastu

14	Hilary English High School	Kathmandu
15	Ideal English Boarding School	Dharan
16	Jagat Mandir Secondary School	Kathmandu
17	Jesse's International Boarding Secondary School	Kathmandu
18	Junior Citizens' Academy Secondary School	Kaski
19	Kids' Home Academy English School	Nawalparasi
20	Kunwari School	Rupandehi
21	Little Flowers Public school	Lalitpur
22	Mechi English Boarding School	Jhapa
23	Nawaneet Toddlers' Zone	Kathmandu
24	Nepal Secondary School	Nawalparasi
25	Nightingale International Secondary School	Lalitpur
26	N.K.Singh Memorial English Preparatory Secondary School	Kathmandu
27	Nobel Academy	Kathmandu
28	NOBLE ACADEMY SECONDARY SCHOOL	Nawalparasi
29	Pamir International Academy	Rupandehi
30	Paramount Boarding High school	Rupandehi
31	Peace Zone Awasiya Ma. Vi.	Itahari
32	Rainbow Academic Homes Secondary School	Pokhara
33	Reliance International Academy	Kathmandu
34	Samridhi School	Kathmandu
35	Sano Sansar Day Care & Pre- Primary International School	Kathmandu
36	Shree Shanti Model Secondary School	Rupandehi
37	Swati Sadan E.B Secondary School	Kathmandu
38	Ugrachandi Boarding School	Kavre
39	Vijaya Samudayik Siksha Sadan	Nawalparasi
40	VISHWA JYOTI SECONDARY SCHOOL	Nawalparasi
41	Wonderland International Pre-school	Kathmandu

Dr. Jovan Ilic, Country Director, British Council Nepal on the occasion says, “*British Council Nepal is celebrating 60 years in Nepal this year. This year is also the 20th anniversary of International School Award under Connecting Classroom delivered in partnership with DFID globally, and the 7th year in Nepal. The International School Award framework encourages schools to make the most of their international partnerships to fulfil multiple educational objectives such as language learning, developing international values and raising skills and standards and supporting the key Sustainable Development Goals across the curriculum and ethos of school environment. ISA over the years have reached 500 schools from 31 districts, 129000 students, 3000 teachers and 400 school leaders. The International School Award is testament to the vision and inspiring commitment of Heads and teachers across Nepal, who have opened up their classrooms to enriching, innovative and creative international working. We look forward to working with more schools in the future, as we develop an international dimension with global citizenship both in the UK and in Nepal*”.

What is International School Award (ISA)?

ISA is a yearly award given to participating schools. Applications from interested schools are called in every year and schools are selected on the basis of their application. The British Council offers the ISA as an accreditation framework for schools to record and evaluate their international work and embed it into the curriculum. ISA acts as a benchmark that ascertains schools as having an outstanding level of support for: Nurturing global citizenship in young people and Enriching teaching and learning

The ISA approach to school development is holistic and mirrors the curriculum-based project work approach to encourage the teachers to use with their students. It is a rigorous and evidence-based process. It encourages the leaders to foster teambuilding, innovation, and project management. ISA is content free, and it gives context to practice new skills in Information & Communications Technology (ICT) and pedagogy in a safe and structured manner.

Evaluation process

A team of representatives from the British Council, Department of Education and Curriculum Development Centre is developed. The dossiers or the portfolio of evidence submitted by the participating schools are evaluated and school visits are organised to see the authenticity of the work and learning outcomes in the students. With the evidences submitted and the outcome of school visits, the schools are granted the award.

Note to Editors

About the British Council

The British Council is the UK's international organisation for cultural relations and educational opportunities. We create friendly knowledge and understanding between the people of the UK and other countries. Using the UK's cultural resources, we make a positive contribution to the countries we work with – changing lives by creating opportunities, building connections and engendering trust.

We work with over 100 countries across the world in the fields of arts and culture, English language, education and civil society. Each year we reach over 20 million people face-to-face and more than 500 million people online, via broadcasts and publications. Founded in 1934, we are a UK charity governed by Royal Charter and a UK public body. The majority of our income is raised delivering a range of projects and contracts in English teaching and examinations, education and development contracts and from partnerships with public and private organizations. Eighteen per cent of our funding is received from the UK government.

About Connecting Classroom Project

Connecting Classrooms, a project implemented by British Council and co-funded by DFID, is designed to help young people develop the knowledge, skills and values to live and work in a globalized economy and makes a positive contribution locally and globally. Connecting Classrooms aims to improve teaching in both the UK and Nepal in the following key areas:

- Professional development for teachers and school leaders
- Sustainable partnerships between schools in the UK, Nepal and other countries
- Awards to schools which are successful in equipping young people with the knowledge and skills to live and work in a globalized economy;
- Online access to high quality resources to support teachers in delivering improved learning outcomes for young people.

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