

Grade I Admission – Readiness & Competency Overview

(Academic Year 2026–2027)

Dear Parent,

Admission to Grade I is based on a child's School readiness and foundational skills, in line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which places strong emphasis on Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN), communication, confidence, and social development.

The admission interaction is **informal, child-friendly, and supportive**, allowing children to express themselves naturally through conversation, pictures, and simple activities.

English: Language, Listening & Early Literacy Skills

We look for the child's ability to:

- Listen to and follow simple instructions
- Express **feelings**, **thoughts**, **or preferences** in simple words
- Read simple words and short sentences or rhymes with basic understanding
- Recite **simple rhymes** confidently (orally)
- Describe pictures and familiar objects orally
- Speak or write a few sentences about self, family, or pets
- Construct simple, meaningful sentences
- Identify and name common objects, including wild and domestic animals
- Understand the concept of 'one' and 'many'
- Match pictures with words and fill in simple blanks
- Recognise **rhyming words** (e.g., sun-bun, pin-tin)
- Show awareness of days of the week and months of the year
- Participate in **simple conversations**, showing listening and speaking skills

Mathematics: Early Numeracy & Thinking Skills

We look for the child's ability to:

- Do simple addition and subtraction using numbers 1–9 (often with pictures or objects)
- Write number names from 1 to 20
- Understand basic concepts such as big and small, heavy and light
- Compare numbers using greater than, smaller than, and equal to (within I-100)
- Identify **before**, **after**, **and in-between numbers** (within 1–100)
- Skip count in **2s** (orally)

Our Belief

Every child is unique and develops at their own pace. This interaction helps us understand how best to support your child's joyful learning journey in Grade I.