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The Key Stages and Difference between UK & American Curriculum

Dear Parents,

We would like to bring to your attention the difference between the British & the American Curriculums.

Dilmun School follows the British Curriculum system, the term used is Year.

Please note that when students are ready to leave Dilmun School Year 6, should they be continuing in a British System they would be eligible to go to Year 7 which is the beginning of "Key Stage Three", however, if they are continuing in an American System they would be eligible to go to Grade 6 which is also the beginning of "Key Stage Three" so it would be the equivalent of Year 7.

We have attached a table shows relevant keystages, and the Year & Grade equivalency.



The Key Stages			
Age on 31st August (Years)	Key Stage	Year in the UK	USA/ Canada / Australia
EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE			
3	Early Years Foundation stage	Nursery	- Pre-School
4		Reception	
PRIMARY SCHOOL			
5	Key Stage One	Year 1	Kindergarten
6		Year 2	Grade 1
7	Key Stage Two	Year 3	Grade 2
8		Year 4	Grade 3
9		Year 5	Grade 4
10		Year 6	Grade 5
SECONDARY SCHOOL			
11	Key Stage Three	Year 7	Grade 6
12		Year 8	Grade 7
13		Year 9	Grade 8
14	Key Stage Four	Year 10	Grade 9
15		Year 11	Grade 10
SIXTH COLLEGE			
16	Key Stage Five	Year 12	Grade 11
17		Year 13	Grade 12