







Swedish Mother Tongue Classes since August 2015 Svenska som modersmål, sedan augusti 2015

- Our rich Mother Tongue program underwent a major expansion from August 2015. We offer Mother Tongue classes in 15 different languages, from Pre-K2 to Grade 8.
- Swedish Mother Tongue is offered from Pre-K2 to Grade 8.
- Mother Tongue program is integrated into the curriculum and does not involve an extra fee.

Languages offered are:

Danish Dutch Finnish French German Hebrew Italian Japanese Korean Mandarin Norwegian Portuguese Russian Spanish **Swedish**

Overseas Family School is:

- · authorised by the International Baccalaureate (IB), Geneva, Switzerland
- a Cambridge International School, UK
- accredited for K-12 by the Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), USA
- a Member School of International Early Years Curriculum (IEYC) registered with International Curriculum Association, UK • a Member School of International Primary Curriculum (IPC) registered with International Curriculum Association, UK
- registered by the Committee for Private Education (CPE), Singapore [Registration No.: 199104269R (01/09/2023-31/08/2027)]
- EduTrust Certified [Certificate Number: EDU-2-2072 (Validity: 21/08/2024–20/08/2028)]

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Mother Tongue at Overseas Family School



What is it?

This refers to the first language a child learns at home.

Why is Mother Tongue important?

It is in the dominant language that higher level thinking takes place. This is especially pronounced in very young children. It will also benefit children in education back in their home country, should they return, as they will be competent in oral, written and grammar skills.



How is it done?

This program is well resourced:

- Four sessions per week, in Kindergarten (from Pre-K2), Elementary and Middle School.
- Integrated into the academic programs.
- All features of any other subject, i.e. assessment, homework, reporting, etc.
- Focuses on reading, writing, listening, speaking and culture. Courses include literature in the Mother Tongue.
- Is an additional choice for parents, instead of foreign language study.
- No additional fee involved.

Who are the teachers?



Our Mother Tongue teachers are native speakers of the language, with teacher training and degree earned in the home country. They are qualified to teach in the home country and also fluent in English.

"If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart". Nelson Mandela

Mother Tongue Swedish

Heidi Heidkamp Martin är uppväxt i Hagfors, Värmland. Hon är utbildad lärare och tog sin examen från Linköpings Universitet år 1999. Hon har arbetat tio år som lärare i grundskolan i Sverige. 2010 flyttade hon till Singapore tillsammans med sin familj. I Singapore har hon arbetat som lärare på Swedish Supplementary School i sju år. 2021 började Heidi som modersmålslärare på OFS. På fritiden gillar hon att resa, läsa och måla. Heidi ser fram emot att hjälpa eleverna behålla och förbättra sina kunskaper i sitt modersmål.



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