



**PRESENTATION DE LA  
SECTION INTERNATIONALE BRITANNIQUE**  
Rentrée 2021



Ecole du Nord, Ecole du Centre, Lycée des Mascareignes and Lycée La Bourdonnais have a **British International Section** \*.

**Integration of a non-French speaking student at Ecole du Nord.**

Teaching English to French speakers is essential at Ecole du Nord from the early age of 3. Proficiency in the French language is also established very early on for non-French speaking students. The younger the students, the easier and faster it will be for them to gain the desired bilingualism thanks to early exposure to the French language and being immersed in a French-speaking environment. Many non-French speaking students enter Ecole du Nord in later years. They are then accompanied by a teacher who promotes their linguistic integration by quickly teaching academic French, by promoting understanding of the most common instructions in class and by developing the bases that will allow the student to communicate quickly.

**Which students will be able to benefit from the British International Section?**

All pupils **from CP (Year 2)** benefit from a style of English teaching that meets the requirements of an international section. From CM1 (Year 5), students are brought together in skills groups in order to develop their language skills as effectively as possible. From 6° (Year 7), additional hours and subjects taught in English (literature & history-geography) justify a selection of students.

That's why **from 6° (Year 7) at Ecole du Nord and from 2nde (Year 11) at Lycée des Mascareignes**, this option is open on selection. Taking into account the requirements of the section, a selection of applications will be made which will consider the student's linguistic level, their ability to take on the extra workload schedule and finally, their motivation. Thus, the option will accommodate 20-25 students divided into several classes of 6°.

**What is the International Section?**

The British International Section offers integrated language and culture education. It hosts **French and foreign students** by offering them bilingual and **bicultural training** with a broad place for teaching content and Anglo-Saxon teaching methods.

It allows the **integration of foreign students into our French education** system while allowing them to benefit from training in their mother tongue.

At the same time, it offers to **French children and binationals**, who have the motivation and necessary language skills, the opportunity to develop these skills while benefiting from a bilingual and bicultural environment.

In high school, it prepares students for the FRENCH BACCALAUREATE validating a **DOUBLE CULTURAL COMPETENCE IN FRENCH AND BRITISH LANGUAGES!**



*Plus de 80 élèves en SI, soit 20% des élèves de l'EDN en section bilingue !*



Classe de 6<sup>ème</sup> Section Internationale 2020-2021



Classe de 5<sup>ème</sup> Section Internationale 2020-2021



Classe de 4<sup>ème</sup> Section Internationale 2020-2021



Classe de 3<sup>ème</sup> Section Internationale 2020-2021

### What can Ecole du Nord offer you?

- Reinforced teaching in English from pre-primary for all.
- Teaching hours and English language content in primary school in line with those of a Section Internationale for all EDN students starting in CP (Year 1 of primary school).
- Specific skills group for students preparing for our excellence sections from 9 years old (CM1: Year 4 of primary school), with an introduction to literary texts.
- For students selected for S.I.B (Section Internationale Britannique) from 6 ° (Year 7):
  - teaching of **British language and literature** (“collège” and high school) by teachers holding a Postgraduate Certificate in Education (**PGCE**) or equivalent.
  - **history and geography** teaching provided in French and English (“collège” and high school) by a teacher with a PGCE or equivalent.

6°	Regular EDN Course	EDN Course + SI Option
English	4 hours + DNL **	8 hours English Literature + DNL
History-Geography	3 hours	(2hours) + 2 hours History Geography in English

### What is covered in the International Section?

- ✓ Interdependence of reading, writing and speaking according to the British National Curriculum, national reference programme for England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The latter fixes the teaching content, the skills to be acquired by level and defines ways of learning and assessing reading, writing and speaking.
- ✓ Exploration of literary works of English heritage studied in their historical and cultural contexts
- ✓ Comparative study of texts belonging to the same movement or to the same literary genre.
- ✓ Exploration of the multicultural nature of modern Britain through literary and non-literary texts.

\* These are recognized by the General Directorate of School Education (DGESCO) and the list of International Sections is published each year in the Official Journal (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/eli/arrete/2017/1/27/MENE1702796A/jo/texte>).

\*\* DNL = non-linguistic discipline (Science modules taught in English, for example)

## What are the certifications & diplomas?

**The national diploma of the "international option" (DNBi : Diplôme National du Brevet option Internationale , end of Year 10).**

This national diploma for the "international option" certificate is made up of all the regular DNB exams that students take, to which two extra oral tests in language and literature and history-geography are added. These two tests are conducted in the language of the section according to a schedule set up by the school.



**The British international option in the general baccalaureate (OIB: Option Internationale du Baccalauréat, end of Upper Sixth form).**

The OIB is the diploma of the French general baccalaureate, on which the award of "option British international" ("Section Internationale Britannique") is mentioned. This is a specific modality of the French baccalaureate, granting an important weight to skills and knowledge related to the language and culture of the partner country. Partner education authorities play, to varying degrees, an important role in setting up subjects or even corrections to specific tests. These authorities also contribute to the recognition of the OIB, in particular from the universities of their country.

The OIB is made up of the compulsory tests of the general baccalaureate corresponding to each series, apart from the written and oral tests in the first modern foreign language (LV1: English) and history-geography.



These tests are replaced by two specific tests: language and literature and history-geography, each comprising a written part and an oral part. These tests, which take place in the language of the section have their own coefficients and represent, depending on the series, between 32% and 37% of the final result obtained in the baccalaureate.

## Which students will be able to benefit from this option?

This option is open on selection **from 6° (Year 7) at Ecole du Nord and from 2nde (Year 11) at Lycée des Mascareignes**. Taking into account the requirements of the section, a selection of applications will be made which will consider the student's linguistic level, their ability to take on the extra workload schedule and finally, their motivation. Thus, the option will accommodate 20 students divided into several classes of 6°.

The cost of enrolling in this section is fixed for 2021-2022 at **RS 28,566 / year** at the EDN.

## Calendar:

**22/04/2021** : Information Meeting via videoconference

**From 23/04 to 30/04** : Registration via Google form

**In May** : Selection Commission

La Direction