

#### Who is this Directory for?

This Directory was compiled as a free resource for anyone to use, but is aimed primarily at families newly arrived in Vientiane who do not have a local network of friends and family to draw on. Its aim is to make it easier for parents to find out about the international nursery and preschool options available for young children in Vientiane. There are no recommendations included here; what is right for one child doesn't necessarily suit another – so please use the information here only as a starting point for your own research.

#### Which schools are included?

Schools teaching in at least one language other than Lao were invited to take part. Schools took part on an entirely voluntary basis, and the inclusion or exclusion of a school here should not be taken as a recommendation of the school or otherwise. Parents should note that there are many nurseries and preschools in Vientiane that teach only in the Lao language; these were not included in this list, but if a Lao medium nursery or preschool is an option for your family then bear in mind this increases your choice significantly.

#### A word about fees ...

Fees vary widely between schools, and usually change slightly each year. For this reason, fee information has not been included here - parents should contact the schools directly for up to date details about fees and other charges.

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### **Crèche Xang Noi**



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**Managing Directors** 

**Telephone number:** 021 31 24 38 (office hours) 020 77 81 88 22 (mobile)

Email address: <a href="mailto:crechexangnoi@gmail.com">crechexangnoi@gmail.com</a>

Age Range: 1-3 years

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

French, Lao

Additional language(s) spoken by teaching staff:

English

**Curriculum / Approach:** Group work based: songs, reading, modelling paste, building

blocks, dance, drawing

Address: Lak 3, Ban Watnak, Hom 8 (close to Wat Siamphone)

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/XuZhYXtBsvk">https://goo.gl/maps/XuZhYXtBsvk</a>

Website & Social Media: <a href="http://lbenoitheuchenne.wix.com/xangnoi">http://lbenoitheuchenne.wix.com/xangnoi</a>

https://www.facebook.com/crechexangnoivientiane

**Summary:** 

Open from 7.30 am - 5.15pm, 5 days per week. Minimum attendance per week is 3 mornings. Other options available. Lunch available.

### **Ketkeo Children's House**



Contact Person: Ketmany Douangthongla

Principal

**Telephone number:** 021 31 24 82

Email address: <a href="mailto:ketkeochildrenhouse@yahoo.com">ketkeochildrenhouse@yahoo.com</a>

**Age Range:** 18 months – 6 years

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

English, Lao

Additional language(s) spoken by teaching staff:

Curriculum / Approach: Montessori

Address: Soi 10, Ban Vatnak, Sisattanak District

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/QHjUn1rE1KF2">https://goo.gl/maps/QHjUn1rE1KF2</a>

Website & Social Media: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/ketkeo.childrenshouse">https://www.facebook.com/ketkeo.childrenshouse</a>

#### **Summary:**

At Ketkeo Children's House we offer a Montessori based curriculum, consisting of a Toddlers' and Twos' Room (18 months - 3 years old) and a Preschool program (3-6 years old). We provide half day (7.45am -11.30am) and full day programs (7.45am - 4.30pm). Lunch is provided for full day students.

### **Kiettisack International School**



Lance Anderson **Contact Person:** 

**Deputy Director** 

**Telephone number:** 021 31 49 79

**Email address:** chansanga@kiettisackinternationalschool.com

2 - 18 years Age Range:

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

**English** 

Additional language(s)

spoken by teaching staff:

Lao, some Chinese, French and others

**Curriculum / Approach:** International Curriculum

Lao Thai Friendship Road Address:

**Google Maps Link:** https://goo.gl/maps/0ePxt

Website & Social Media: www.kiettisackinternationalschool.com

#### **Summary:**

We are an international school licensed with the Lao PDR Ministry of Education. The Pre-Primary Department contains the Nursery (2-3 years), Preschool (3-4 years), Kindergarten (4-5 years), and Preparatory (5-6 years). We offer a variety of activities in the classroom to meet each child's developmental components. We use a theme-based approach integrated into our core curriculum, focused around Math, Language, Arts, Science and Social Studies. We also incorporate computer, PE, Arts, Music and Dance into our program to help enhance the child's multiple intelligences. Class hours: 8:00am – 1:30pm. We also offer a Lao curriculum in the afternoon from 1:45 – 4:00pm.

# Laos Waldorf International School



Contact Person: Fanh Wang

Coordinator

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Age Range: 3 – 6 years

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

English, Chinese

Additional language(s)

spoken by teaching staff:

Lao

Curriculum / Approach: Waldorf (Rudolf Steiner)

Address: Sisavath Street, Vientiane

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/En7ivTJPAVw">https://goo.gl/maps/En7ivTJPAVw</a>

Website & Social Media: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/lwislaos/">https://www.facebook.com/lwislaos/</a>

#### **Summary:**

Waldorf Steiner inspired curriculum. A school full of singing voices, of poems, stories, children's folk, etc. No plastic toys are used at school. School hours are from 8.00am-4.00pm. Lunch and snacks (morning & afternoon) are provided. Live, laugh, love!

## Lycée Français Josué-Hoffet





Contact Person: M. Dominique Goduel

**Director of Primary School** 

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Age Range: 3-6 years (main school continues to 18 years)

Main Language(s) of Instruction: French

Additional language(s) spoken by

teaching staff:

Lao, English (in final year of Kindergarten)

Curriculum / Approach: French National Curriculum

Address: Thadeua Road, Km 2, Vientiane

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/ClvDb">https://goo.gl/maps/ClvDb</a>

Website & Social Media: www.lyceehoffet.org

Facebook Page: Lycée Français Josué-Hoffet

**Summary:** 

The Lycée Hoffet is an international school catering for children aged 3 to 18 years. The pre-school section is known in French as L'Ecole Maternelle and is divided into three stages according to age: la petite section (3-4 years), la moyenne section (4-5 years) and la grande section (5-6 years). The maternelle is designed to introduce children to the social environment of school. It encourages the development of self-awareness and provides an introduction to group activities. Exercises include arts and crafts, music, educational games and perceptual activities. During the final years, the rudiments of reading, writing and arithmetic are taught in preparation for primary school. There is a daily Lao language lesson for all children attending maternelle, and English is introduced in the final year (la grande section). Each teacher is helped by an assistant. In this way, two professionals are always present in the classroom. We welcome all children, even those who have no prior knowledge of French. The new curriculum, in French, is available on the Internet at: <a href="http://www.education.gouv.fr/cid87300/rentree-2015-le-nouveauprogramme-de-l-ecole-maternelle.html">http://www.education.gouv.fr/cid87300/rentree-2015-le-nouveauprogramme-de-l-ecole-maternelle.html</a> If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

### **Oscar Bilingual School**



Contact Person: Robert Harris

Vice Director / International Coordinator

**Telephone number:** 021 74 00 98 / 030 5033 888

Email address: <a href="mailto:info@oscar-school.com">info@oscar-school.com</a>

Age Range: 18 months – 18 years

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

English

Lao

Additional language(s)

spoken by teaching staff:

Curriculum / Approach: New Australian Curriculum; Lao Curriculum from the Ministry of

**Education & Sports** 

Address: Ban Phakhao, Xaythany District, Vientiane (Campus 1); Ban Nongheo

Hadxayfong District, Vientiane (Campus 2)

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/ft6oq">https://goo.gl/maps/ft6oq</a>

Website & Social Media: www.oscar-school.com

www.facebook.com/oscarbilingualschool

#### **Summary:**

OBS is a newly built school hosting a range of facilities such as modern, fully equipped, air-conditioned classrooms, an outdoor gym/PE court, safe play areas, a computer lab, a fully equipped library and a clinic. We also offer a school bus service, a safe and clean environment, attractive school fees and a healthy school lunch. We have just completed construction of our new state-of-the-art campus which caters for students from Nursery through to Year 12.

# Panyathip International School



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Head of Kindergarten

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**Age Range:** 2-5 years (main school continues to 18 years)

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

English

Additional language(s)

spoken by teaching staff:

Lao, Chinese

**Curriculum / Approach:** Cambridge; Early Year Learning Framework in connection with the

International Primary Program (IPC)

Address: Ban Saphonthong Tai, Vientiane

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/qs8MhdLZftN2">https://goo.gl/maps/qs8MhdLZftN2</a>

Website & Social Media: www.pislao.com

https://www.facebook.com/panyathipkindergarten/

#### **Summary:**

Students follow a modern bilingual curriculum including English, maths, topic and science studies, arts and crafts, music and movement, learning exercises through play, sports, values education, Chinese as a foreign language (Kindergarten) and Lao Studies. All food is made in our international standard kitchen to be healthy with no MSG and low sugar. Please send an email for information kit.

### Santisouk Montessori Preschool



**Contact Person:** Caroline de Rham

Director

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Age Range: 2½ - 6 years

Main Language(s) of Instruction: English and Lao

Additional language(s) spoken by

teaching staff:

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Curriculum / Approach: Montessori

Address: Ban Watnak, Sisattanak, Vientiane

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/LRkS1">https://goo.gl/maps/LRkS1</a>

Website & Social Media: <a href="http://www.santisoukmontess.orian.org/">http://www.santisoukmontess.orian.org/</a>

https://www.facebook.com/santisoukmontessorilaos

**Summary:** 

Santisouk Montessori Preschool is a non-profit organisation run by a parent board. We welcome children for half or full days. Children from 2.5 to 6 years old develop in a caring, multicultural, Montessori environment through a child-centred learning curriculum specially tailored to Lao culture and international educational approaches. Santisouk integrates the world-renowned Montessori ideology that maximizes every child's immense learning and absorption capability. We believe in enabling children to develop at their own pace, encouraging their individuality and particular interests, in order to create a foundation for academic development and a lifelong love of learning. Through Montessori techniques and materials, children develop a strong foundation in mathematics, language and literacy, history, cultural geography, zoology and botany, as well as practical everyday life skills such as cooking, cleaning and gardening. The children learn and grow through regular activities such as music and dance lessons, gymnastics, arts, swimming classes and excursions. Santisouk is a comfortable home from home, located in a tranquil residential area. Indoor facilities feature Montessori teaching/learning materials. Developing independence and responsibility is helped by the classroom design, with child-sized furniture and educational materials on open shelves. Outdoor activities include gardening and taking care of rabbits. The children enjoy the custom made playground with monkey bars, sandpits and ball courts. Santisouk grounds are secure and supervised at all times.

# **Sharon International School**



Contact Person: Chris / Marie Carroll

Head Teacher / Curriculum Designer

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Email address: <a href="mailto:sharon\_international@yahoo.com">sharon\_international@yahoo.com</a>

Age Range: 3 years to USA 5th grade (following skill standards from the state of

Texas)

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

**English only** 

Additional language(s) spoken by teaching staff:

Lao, Filipino, Korean

**Curriculum / Approach:** Kindergarten is thematic; Primary is a uniquely customized &

tailored program.

Address: Saphantong Neua, Sisattanak District (Near Joma Phontan)

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/u4Yov">https://goo.gl/maps/u4Yov</a>

Website & Social Media: www.sislao.com

www.facebook.com/SharonInternationalSchool2004

#### **Summary:**

Our Kindergarten is an exciting, safe, and inspiring place where the goal is for children to love coming to school, develop an early love for learning, and learn how to treat others the way they want to be treated. Full & half days, as well as lunch & snacks, are available. The playground & sports arena are used for daily exercise. We also prepare children to learn how to read English fluently, understand math through manipulatives and activities, and learn how to communicate in English effectively and fluently. This prepares them for our Primary program which is licensed through the state of Texas in the USA. The Primary program is made specifically for international & local students in Laos who desire to meet the grade-level standards of the USA by following a unique & high-achieving curriculum. Please contact us to learn more.

## Tukata Vientiane - Daycare



Contact Person: Kelly Bornt

Director

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**Age Range:** 6 months – 3.5 years

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

English, French

Additional language(s)

spoken by teaching staff:

Lao

**Curriculum / Approach:** Blended - Waldorf, Montessori, Nature Play Based

Address: Ban Thapalansay Nouay 12 #202 Vientiane, Lao

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/N45N1">https://goo.gl/maps/N45N1</a>

Website & Social Media: www.tukatavientiane.org

www.facebook.com/tukatavientiane

#### **Summary:**

With outdoor games, crafts and topic activities, Tukata caregivers offer your children fun days filled with discoveries and new learning, adapted to their age and needs. We have a large garden we spend time playing in, along with pet animals. Our most important goal is our students are safe and can explore and learn by play. We welcome children from 7.30 am until 5 pm from Monday to Friday. Parents may choose full day or mornings only - 3, 4 or 5 days. Fees include homemade healthy lunches and snack. Please call to schedule a visit.

## Vansana Playschool Kindergarten

**Contact Person:** Somphong Summer

Principal

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Age Range: 1 – 5 years

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

English, Lao

Additional language(s)

spoken by teaching staff:

**Curriculum / Approach:** 

Preschool & kindergarten curricula

Address: Vat Nak Road, Ban Vat Nak

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/wsKQkKeryNG2">https://goo.gl/maps/wsKQkKeryNG2</a>

Website & Social Media: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/vansana.playschool">https://www.facebook.com/vansana.playschool</a>

#### **Summary:**

Vansana Playschool offers a bilingual English/Lao education. It runs a full day program, half day English and half day Lao language to children. We have both Lao and expatriate staffs. Our fees are affordable and can be paid on a monthly and or yearly basis. Lunch is included in our fees.

# Vientiane International School



Contact Person: Annie Butkus

**Admissions Manager** 

Telephone number: 021 486 001

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Age Range: 3-18 years

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

English

Additional language(s)

spoken by teaching staff:

Lao

Curriculum / Approach: International Baccalaureate (IB)

Address: Phonsavanh Road, Ban Saphanthong Tai, Vientiane

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/lynSh">https://goo.gl/maps/lynSh</a>

Website & Social Media: www.vislao.com

#### **Summary:**

Vientiane International School (VIS) is an independent, non-profit, fully authorised International Baccalaureate (IB) World School offering the Primary Years, Middle Years and Diploma programmes to students aged 3 through to 18 years. Our mission is to "Challenge, Inspire and Prepare Learners for Life". We provide a safe, respectful, collaborative and sustainable learning environment. A high quality, holistic education, empowers our learners to be global minded citizens and enriches their learning experiences through integration with the Lao community and our international communities.

## Vientiane **Pattana School**





**Contact Person:** Ms. Jackie Inthavong

**School Director** 

021 21 94 97 **Telephone number:** 

**Email address:** vps1jackie@gmail.com

2 - 19 years Age Range:

Main Language(s) of

Instruction:

English, Lao

Additional language(s)

spoken by teaching staff:

Chinese

**Curriculum / Approach:** American-based International **Program** (Primary); Cambridge

International Curriculum (Secondary Level)

70/105 Unit 8, Ban Khounta, Souphanouvong Ave, Sikhhotabong District, Address:

Vientiane

**Google Maps Link:** https://goo.gl/maps/0ITZa

Website & Social Media: www.vps-lao.com

#### **Summary:**

A bilingual school offering both English and Lao to students from 2-19 years of age. The school runs a full day program from 8am-4pm. Students take Lao in the afternoon, following the curriculum of the Lao Ministry of Education. The school prepares high school students at 2 levels of the Cambridge exams - O and AS levels (exams are taken in Grade 10 and in Grade 11 and 12 respectively).

### Watthana Montessori Preschool



Contact Person: Prawit Tongyingsiri

Office Manager

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Age Range: 1 year 8 months – 6 years

Main Language(s) of Instruction: English

Additional language(s) spoken

by teaching staff:

Lao, Chinese

Curriculum / Approach: Montessori

Address: Hom 15, Ban Phonepanao, Saysettha District, Vientiane

Google Maps Link: <a href="https://goo.gl/maps/Zeup0">https://goo.gl/maps/Zeup0</a>

Website & Social Media: <a href="https://www.watthanamontessori.com">www.watthanamontessori.com</a>

www.facebook.com/watthanamontessori

#### **Summary:**

Watthana Montessori Preschool (WMS) is a private school that follows a Montessori curriculum. We have full day and half day programs, with many activities and materials. Our tuition fees include a healthy lunch and afternoon snack. All classes are taught in English. WMS is a place to learn and a place to grow.