



PRIMARY SCHOOL PARITARIA

2023-2024

IQ is not a reliable predictor for which students will do well and which students will struggle. Some of the strongest performers do not have incredible IQ scores. Some of the smartest children can struggle.

When completing their research in many different contexts, educational psychologists pose the question, who is successful here and why? In all these very different contexts, one characteristic always emerges as a significant predictor of success. And it is not social intelligence. It is not appearance, physical health, and it is not IQ.

It is grit. Grit is passion and perseverance for long-term goals. Grit is having stamina. Grit is being focused on your future, everyday, not just for the week, not just for the month, but for years, and working really hard to make that future a reality. Grit is realising education is a marathon, not a sprint.

The precursor to grit, that we can work on with our primary school students, is resilience and the development of a growth mindset.

Objectives

- To ensure our students:
 - understand the meaning of and importance of resilience and a growth mindset.
 - relish challenges.
 - embrace their mistakes as part of the learning process.
 - value the importance of effort.
 - respond carefully to feedback.
 - take inspiration from others.

This will help our students to achieve, not only with us at Andersen, but also in their future lives as adults.

Methodology

Through a series of assemblies and classroom activities, the students will explore different strategies to work towards the objectives outlined above.