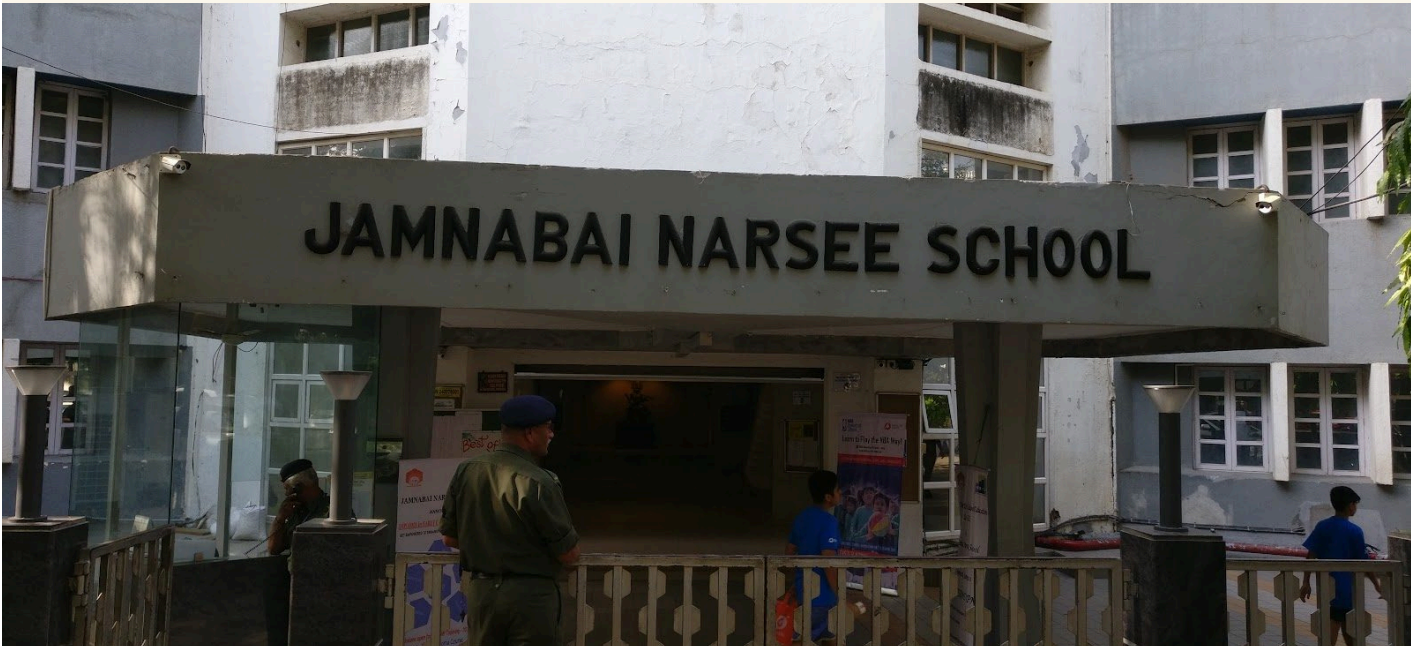


Jamnabai Narsee International School

Mumbai, India



One Juhu campus, three exam boards - ICSE, IB and Cambridge sit side by side under a single Vile Parle roof

RANKING DIMENSIONS

Overall	62/100
Academic outcomes	62/100
University placement	58/100
Prestige & heritage	72/100
Alumni network	58/100
Facilities	68/100
Transparency	42/100

EDITOR'S VERDICT

Jamnabai Narsee International School occupies a strong niche in Mumbai because it offers three serious academic routes on one campus: ICSE, IB and Cambridge. That matters. Most schools ask families to choose a philosophy first and a school second; JNIS lets them choose a school first, then match the child to the board. For parents in Mumbai’s mobile, academically ambitious professional class, that flexibility has real value. Founded in 1971 and operating as a day school for ages 3-18, it combines institutional longevity with an international curriculum mix that few local competitors can match under one roof. The pitch is clear: **choice without fragmentation*, *continuity across stages* and **academic optionality** inside a single Vile Parle setting.*

What puts it on a shortlist is the structure itself. ICSE, IB and Cambridge do not sit as decorative labels here; they define the school's market position. A family that wants rigorous English-medium education, but has not settled on one final senior-school pathway, gets room to manoeuvre. A child can also benefit from a peer group that is not locked into one narrow academic culture. The school's accreditations add weight: it holds IB authorisation across **3** programmes — PYP, MYP and DP — and CIS accreditation, which signals external scrutiny beyond local reputation. That combination gives JNIS a *rare breadth*, a *hard-headed practical advantage* and *genuine metropolitan relevance* in a city where parents track both domestic and overseas university options closely.

The school will suit students who are academically engaged, comfortable in a busy urban day-school environment, and able to use choice well rather than drift through it. This is not a niche progressive enclave or a pastoral retreat. It is a substantial English-medium school in Mumbai, and students who thrive here tend to value momentum, structure and access to recognised qualifications. Families looking for a non-religious setting with long-established roots, broad age coverage from **3-18**, and a credible international layer on top of Indian academic seriousness will find a compelling proposition. The strongest fit is the child who wants *multiple routes to achievement* and the parent who wants *one school with several exits*, not repeated school changes.

STRENGTHS

- Jamnabai Narsee International School is an authorized IB World School offering the IB Continuum - the Primary Years Programme, Middle Years Programme and Diploma Programme through grades 1 to 12.
- The school follows the Cambridge IGCSE Curriculum in Secondary level classes, Class 9 and Class 10, giving families a second internationally recognised exam route alongside the IB.
- The school provides infrastructure spread over 200,000 square feet, encouraging excellence in the fields of Sports, Art and Culture, reflected in a steady stream of inter-school and state-level sporting results.
- IBDP, MYP, and IGCSE students performed well in the 2023 board examinations, with 10 of the 100 candidates who sat the IB Diploma Programme exam scoring 40 points or more.
- The school sits within the Narsee Monjee Educational Trust, established in 1970, giving it access to an education group with over five decades of continuous operating history in Mumbai.

TRADE-OFFS

- Jamnabai Narsee International School was founded in 2015, making it a comparatively young institution relative to many long-established international schools in Mumbai.
- The school does not offer a hostel, so it is unworkable for families who need residential schooling rather than a day-commute arrangement.
- Reported annual fees run to approximately 4.5 lakh rupees and above per year, placing it at the premium end of Mumbai day-school pricing.
- Admission is not guaranteed by application: admission to Jr. KG and above is subject to availability of seats, and older applicants must clear a formal entrance test and personal interview.

ADMISSIONS

JNIS takes new entrants mainly at Nursery, Grade 1 (PYP), Grade 6 (MYP), Grade 8 (Cambridge IGCSE) and Grade 11 (IBDP/IBCP). Online registration windows typically open in September for the following academic year, followed by a parent information session. Entry to primary years involves an informal assessment with parents present, while older applicants sit a written entrance test and personal interview. Places above Nursery/Jr KG are explicitly seat-dependent rather than guaranteed, and demand in the JVPD Scheme catchment area makes the process moderately competitive.

WTS RATING 

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