What do Monte Students Think?

"After studying Indonesian for six years, I can safely say that it is one of my favourite classes! Being a neighbouring country, studying Indonesian is becoming increasingly important for young Australians – it is beneficial for future travel & work opportunities or future study options.

Alice Ward, Year 12 IB

"Indonesian lessons are fun and interactive. We all get on really well and feel like a family. We get rewarded for doing good work. Learning about the culture through the language is really interesting and we strongly recommend you give Indonesian a go! Its the best!"

Yr 7 Indonesian class 2013

"The words and concepts are easy to grasp. Also, it is much more practical learning an Asian language given where Australia is geographically and the chances of you visiting the country. I would really recommend Indo to any student, its such an enjoyable subject.

Georgina O’Reilly Year 12 HSC

Want to get ahead this century?
Learn an Asian Language!

“For Australians to be good regional and global citizens we need to understand, learn from and engage and communicate with our Asian neighbours. Australia is located in the Asia region and our histories from ancient times to the present are linked.

Australians have played and are playing important roles major events and developments in the Asia region.”

Asia Education Foundation, National Statement on Asia Literacy in Australian Schools
Indonesian is a learner friendly language. Many people think Bahasa Indonesia is as difficult to learn as some other Asian Languages but it is much easier than Chinese, Japanese and Korean and requires half the hours to master. Indonesian uses the same alphabet that we use in English.

Indonesia is a very popular travel destination for Australians - why not learn the language so you can get a bargain in Bali and explore other parts of Indonesia too?

Students learn about Indonesian culture and religion through their language study. We try Indonesian food, learn dances and songs, create shadow puppet plays and even make masks!

The Learn program in Indonesian includes activities creating Podcasting, using online learning games and flashcards, creating iMovies and many other exciting technology based activities.

On more than one occasion Monte students have placed First in the State in both the HSC Continuers and Extension Indonesian courses and also Grade 7 has been achieved by Monte students in the IB DP Indonesian program.

Indonesia and Australia’s relationship and trading partnership is stronger and more vital than ever before.

More young Australians need to be able to communicate with our Asian neighbours because we all live in the same Asia-Pacific region and are part of the “Asian Century”.

Being able to speak an Asian language will be a great advantage when looking for a job in the future.

Indonesia is predicted to be the world’s 7th largest economy by 2030 and has the fourth largest population in the world - close to 250 million people.

WHY INDONESIAN?

The language of our nearest Asian neighbour and its “learner friendly”

EVERYONE CAN LEARN INDONESIAN

Bahasa Indonesia is not a complicated language. Unlike the European languages offered at Monte, Indonesian has no gender - so you don’t need to worry if something is masculine or feminine. All verbs are regular and there isn’t even a word for “the” or “a”!

EASY TO SPELL & TO SAY

Indonesian is a phonetic language which means you spell it the way it sounds and vice versa. Selamat pagi, apa kabar? Kabar baik, terima kasih.

AN ASIAN LANGUAGE FOR YR 7

Asian languages are very important for our future and Year 7 students at Monte are able to study Indonesian in the Junior MYP program & all the way through to senior courses in both the IB and HSC.

NO SCRIPT

Unlike other Asian languages Indonesian has NO SCRIPT or CHARACTERS to learn.

Indonesian uses the same letters of the English alphabet thats why its one of the easiest Asian languages.

Mobil = Car

INDONESIAN

JAPANESE & CHINESE