

IB PYP NEWSLETTER

WHAT IS INQUIRY-BASED TEACHING?

The International Baccalaureate (IB) seeks to integrate inquiry-based teaching and learning across all programmes. An inquiry approach allows teachers to create meaningful learning experiences, giving students the time and space to engage in greater critical and creative thinking.



MARCH LEARNER PROFILE ATTRIBUTE: BALANCED

Students who are BALANCED are healthy and are aware that eating properly and exercising is important in their lives. They understand that it is important to have a balance between the physical and mental aspects of their bodies. They spend time doing many different things.

How can parents help to develop students who are well-balanced at home?

- Encourage your child to participate in a wide variety of structured activities.
- During less structured time, also be aware of the activities that your child is participating in. Too much time in front of the computer or television is obviously not desirable, but all kids need to do a variety of things.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR SCHOOL

6th grade scholars are embarking on their exhibition journey. The PYP exhibition is an event where students are given the opportunity to share their understanding of a real-life issue as indicated in the 17 UN Sustainable Goals. It's a great way to help scholars reflect on all their learning while developing skills of presentation and assessment. The exhibition is one of the final experiences of the IB Primary Years Programme, done at the end of the final year. As part of the exhibition, scholars will be encouraged to explore and document their understanding of important topics and learn from each other. The exhibition helps scholars engage in a collaborative form of learning and inquiry, show autonomy and agency with regards to their learning and demonstrate that they've learned and can enact the key qualities of the IB Learner Profiles. Exhibition presentations will be held on May 15th for the American Lakes communities and families to come and see the hard work our 6th grade scholars have done (more information to follow).

