



Primary Years Programme (PYP) Programme of Inquiry 2023–24

T R A N	Who we are	Where we are in place and time	How we express ourselves	How the world works	How we organize ourselves	Sharing the planet
N S D I S C I P L I N A R Y T H E M E	An inquiry into the nature of self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human	An inquiry into orientation in place and time; personal histories; homes and journeys; the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives	An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.	An inquiry into the natural world and its laws; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.	An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human made systems and communities; the structure and function of organizations; societal decision-making; economic activities and their impact on humankind and the environment.	An inquiry into rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and with other living things; communities and the relationships within and between them; access to equal opportunities; peace and conflict resolution.
N u r s e r v	Central idea: People's relationships with each other can have an impact on well-being. Key concepts: Function, Connection, Responsibility Related concepts: Similarities and differences, Belonging, Roles		Central idea: Through play we express our feelings and ideas and come to new understandings. Key concepts: Function, Change, Perspective Related concepts: Interpretation, Creativity, Communication Lines of inquiry		Central idea: Communities make efforts to create transportation systems that meet their needs. Key concepts: Form, Causation, Responsibility Related concepts: Component, Interconnection, Sustainability	Central idea: Animals and people interact in different ways in different contexts. Key concepts: Function, Connection, Responsibility Related concepts: Characteristics, Needs, Interdependence Lines of inquiry • The different roles

	 Lines of inquiry How we develop relationships How relationships affect us Roles and behaviours within relationships Approaches to learning: Social , Research skills IBLP attributes: Caring, Communicator, 		 Communicating through play Imaginative use of everyday materials Different games and toys Approaches to learning: Social, Communication skills IBLP attributes: Reflective, Balanced, Risk-taker 		 Lines of inquiry Features of transportation systems Decisions involved in using transportation How systems of transportation respond to changing needs Approaches to learning: Thinking, Self-management skills IBLP attributes: Inquirer, Thinking 	 animals play in peoples' lives Suitability of particular animals for specific functions Our responsibility for the well-being of animals Approaches to learning: Thinking, Research skills IBLP attributes: Open- minded, Knowledgeable
	Principled Central idea: Choices we make defines and	Central idea: Homes reflect cultural influences	Central idea: Stories can	Central idea: The Earth's natural cycles influence the	Thinker	
	builds our character.	and local conditions.	engage their audience and communicate meaning.	activity of living things.		
	Key concepts : Connection, Responsibility,	Key concepts: Function, Change, Perspective	Key concepts: Form, Connection, Perspective	Key concepts: Causation, Change, Responsibility		
к	Perspective Related concepts: Well-	Related concepts : Culture, Needs, Ownership, Locality	Related concepts: Communication, Characterization,	Related concepts: Cycles, Interaction, Pattern, Impact		
i	being, Balance,	Ownership, Locality	Expression			
n d	Independence	Lines of inquiryWhat constitutes a	Lines of inquiry	Lines of inquiryNatural cycles (e.g. night		
e	Lines of inquiry	home	• How to construct an	and day, weather		
r	Developing and	How homes reflect	effective story	patterns, seasons)		
g a	acquiring skills that impact our well-being	family values How homes reflect local 	 What stories can convey How stories are created 	• The actions people take in response to Earth's		
r	 Creating a balanced 	culture	and shared	natural cycles		
t	life	Factors that determine	 Feelings and emotions 	Patterns of behaviour in		
e n	 Safety awareness 	where people live	that stories evoke	living things related to Earth's natural cycles		
		Approaches to learning:	Approaches to learning:			
	Approaches to learning:	Communication, Social	Thinking, Research and	Approaches to learning:		
	Thinking, Self-	and Research skills	Social skills	Research, Self-		
	management and Social skills	IDID attributes: Covies		management, Thinking skills		
	JKIIJ	IBLP attributes: Caring,	IBLP attributes:			

	IBLP attributes: Open- minded, Risk-taker, Reflective	Knowledgeable, Thinker	Communicator, Risk-taker, Reflective	IBLP attributes: Principled, Inquirer, Balanced		
Grade 1	Central idea: Awareness of our characteristics, abilities and interests informs our learning and development. Key concepts: Form, Change, Perspective Related concepts: Identity, Similarities and differences Lines of inquiry • Physical, social and emotional characteristics • Similarities and differences between ourselves and others • Personal abilities and interests Approaches to learning: Thinking, Communication and Self-management skills IBLP attributes: Thinker, Balanced,	Central idea: Learning about previous generations helps to understand the relationship between the past and the present. Key concepts: Change, Connection, Perspective Related concepts: Time, Continuity, Heritage Lines of inquiry • Ways to find out about the past • How aspects of the past still influence us today • Why some behaviours and practices have changed or remained the same over time Approaches to learning: Research, Social and Thinking skills IBLP attributes: Inquirer, Open-minded	Central idea: Celebrations and traditions are expressions of shared beliefs and values. Key concepts: Causation, Connection, Perspective Related concepts: Culture, Beliefs, Values, Belonging Lines of inquiry • Why people celebrate • Features of traditions and celebrations • Symbolic representations of celebrations and traditions • What meaning people assign to celebrations and traditions • What meaning people assign to celebrations and traditions • Mhat meaning people assign to celebrations and traditions • IBLP attributes: Caring, Open-minded, Reflective	Central idea: All living things go through a process of change. Key concepts: Change, Connection, Responsibility Related concepts: Cycles, Transformation, Similarities and differences Lines of inquiry • Patterns of growth • How living things change over their lifetime • Factors that can influence life cycles Approaches to learning: Research and Thinking skills IBLP attributes: Knowledgeable, Caring, Reflective	Central idea: Physical and virtual public spaces provide people with opportunities to make connections and establish a sense of community. Key concepts: Function, Connection, Responsibility Related concepts: Community, Environment, Participation, Access Lines of inquiry Purposes of public spaces Characteristics of different public spaces How people use public spaces Approaches to learning: Self-management and Social skills IBLP attributes: Communicator, Principled, Risk-taker	Central idea: Plants sustain life on Earth and play a role in our lives. Key concepts: Change, Causation, Responsibility Related concepts: Interdependence, Appreciation Lines of inquiry • Caring for plants • Products we derive from plants • How plants contribute to life on Earth Approaches to learning: Thinking, Research skills IBLP attributes: Knowledgeable, Principled, Inquirer
	Reflective Central idea: The choices people make affect their health and well-being.	Central idea: The Earth's physical geography has an impact on human interactions and	Central idea: Through the arts people use different forms of expression to convey their uniqueness as	Central idea: People apply their understanding of forces and energy to invent and create.	Central idea: Many products go through a process of change before they are consumed or used.	Central idea: When interacting with natural habitats, humans make choices that have an

		settlements.	human beings.	Key concepts: Function,		impact on other living
	Key concepts:			Causation, Change	Key concepts: Function,	things.
	Connection, Causation,	Key concepts: Form,	Key concepts: Function,		Change, Responsibility	
	Responsibility	Causation, Change	Perspective, Responsibility	Related concepts:		Key concepts: Connection,
G				Inventions, Forces, Energy,	Related concepts:	Causation, Responsibility
r	Related concepts:	Related concepts:	Related concepts:	Application	Components, Process,	
а	Choice, Influence,	Geography, Impact,	Communication, Self-		Purpose	Related concepts: Habitat,
d	Balance	Transformation	expression, Values	Lines of inquiry		Interdependence,
е				 Inventions that impact 	Lines of inquiry	Behavioral adaptations,
	Lines of inquiry	Lines of inquiry	Lines of inquiry	people's lives	 Origins of products 	Diversity
2	What it means to have	 Variability of physical 	• The diverse ways in	 How circumstances lead 	 Changes products go 	
	a balanced lifestyle	geography around the	which people express	to the creation of	through	Lines of inquiry
	 How the choices we 	world	themselves	important inventions	Distribution of products	 Balance between rights
	make affect our health	The relationship	• How everyone can	 How understanding 	• How people select the	and responsibilities when
	Different sources of	between location and	express their uniqueness	forces and energy helps	products they use	interacting with natural
	information that help	settlement	through the arts	inventors		habitats
	us make choices	Impact of human	• The role of art in culture		Approaches to learning:	• Human impact on natural
		interaction on the	and society	Approaches to learning:	Thinking, Research skills	habitats
	Approaches to learning:	physical environment		Self-management, Thinking		How living things respond
	Communication, Self-		Approaches to learning:	skills	IBLP attributes:	to changing
	management skills	Approaches to learning:	Research, Communication		Communicator, Inquirer,	environmental conditions
		Social, Research skills	skills	IBLP attributes:	Reflective	
	IBLP attributes:			Open-minded,		Approaches to learning:
	Thinker, Balanced,	IBLP attributes:	IBLP attributes:	Knowledgeable, Risk-Taker		Research, Social,
	Reflective	Inquirer, Open-Minded	Inquirer, Risk-taker,			Self-Management skills
			Thinker			
						IBLP attributes: Caring,
						Principled, Knowledgeable
	Control idea. Chaican of	Control idea: A	Control idea: Decada con	Control idea. Changes in	Control ideo: Signa and	Control idea: Dearla con
	Central idea: Choices of role models reflect the	Central idea: A	Central idea: People can	Central idea: Changes in the Earth and its	Central idea: Signs and	Central idea: People can
	beliefs and values of	community's response to significant events	create or manipulate messages to target specific		symbols are part of human-	make choices to support
		0		atmosphere have impacts	made systems that facilitate	the sustainability of the
	individuals and	provides an insight into	audiences.	on the way people live	local and global	Earth's resources.
G	societies.	the history and values of	Key concepts: Function,	their lives.	communication.	Koy concents: Connection
G F	Koy concents: Eurotion	that community.	Connection, Responsibility	Key concepts: Form,	Key concepts: Form,	Key concepts: Connection, Perspective, Responsibility
	Key concepts: Function, Perspective,	Key concepts: Change,	Connection, Responsibility	Causation, Responsibility	Function, Perspective	reispective, responsibility
a d	Responsibility	Connection, Perspective	Related concepts: Media,		runction, reispective	Related concepts: Lifestyle,
	Nesponsionity	connection, Perspective	Advertising, Propaganda	Related concepts: Geology,	Related concepts:	Waste, Conservation
е	Polated concenter	Related concepts:	Auvertising, Propagaliua	Weather, Adaptation	Culture, Pattern, Access,	waste, Conservation
3	Related concepts: Identity, Peer pressure,	Impact, Bias, Truth,	Lines of inquiry	weather, Adaptation	Information	Lines of inquiry
3		• • • • • • •	• •	Lines of inquiry	Information	• Earth's finite and infinite
	Opinion	Evidence	• How images, text and	Lines of inquiry		• carth simile and infinite

			music are used to	How the different	Lines of inquiry	racouraac
		the second in such as			Lines of inquiry	resources
	Lines of inquiry	Lines of inquiry	influence behaviour of	components of the Earth	Iconography	• The balance between
	What determines our	• The ways in which	target audiences	are interrelated	How visual language	meeting human needs
	beliefs and values	significant events may	 Critical evaluation of 	Why the Earth has	facilitates communication	and the use of limited
	• How and why role	be recognized, locally	messages	changed and is	 Specialized systems of 	resources
	models are chosen	and/or globally	presented in the media	continuing to change	communication	
	 Influence of role 	 How a significant event 	 How people respond to 	Human response to the		Approaches to learning:
	models on our choices	has an impact on a	messages	Earth's changes	Approaches to learning:	Thinking, Social , Self-
	and actions	community			Thinking, Communication,	management skills
		 Why viewpoints differ 	Approaches to learning:	Approaches to learning:	Self-management skills	
	Approaches to learning:	about significant events	Thinking, Communication,	Social, Self-management,		IBLP attributes:
	Thinking, Social,		Social skills	Research skills	IBLP attributes:	Caring, Balanced, Risk-
	Communication skills	Approaches to learning:			Thinker, Open-minded,	taker
		Thinking,	IBLP attributes:	IBLP attributes:	Knowledgeable	
	IBLP attributes:	Communication,	Risk-taker, Principled,	Communicator, Balanced,		
	Inquirer, Thinker,	Research skills	Reflective	Knowledgeable		
	Reflective					
		IBLP attributes:				
		Inquirer, Open-minded,				
		Reflective				
	Central idea: Choices of	Central idea: A	Central idea: People can	Central idea: Changes in	Central idea: Signs and	Central idea: People can
	role models reflect the	community's response to	create or manipulate	the Earth and its	symbols are part of human-	make choices to support
	beliefs and values of	significant events	messages to target specific	atmosphere have impacts	made systems that facilitate	the sustainability of the
	individuals and	provides an insight into	audiences.	on the way people live	local and global	, Earth's resources.
	societies.	the history and values of		their lives.	communication.	
G		, that community.	Key concepts: Function,			Key concepts: Connection,
r	Key concepts: Function,	,	Connection, Responsibility	Key concepts: Form,	Key concepts: Form,	Perspective, Responsibility
а	Perspective,	Key concepts: Change,		Causation, Responsibility	Function, Perspective	
d	Responsibility	Connection, Perspective	Related concepts: Media,			Related concepts: Lifestyle,
e			Advertising, Propaganda	Related concepts: Geology,	Related concepts:	Waste, Conservation
J	Related concepts:	Related concepts:	, i opuganda	Weather, Adaptation	Culture, Pattern, Access,	
3	Identity, Peer pressure,	Impact, Bias, Truth,	Lines of inquiry		Information	Lines of inquiry
	Opinion	Evidence	 How images, text and 	Lines of inquiry		• Earth's finite and infinite
	opinion	Evidence	music are used to	How the different	Lines of inquiry	resources
	Lines of inquiry	Lines of inquiry	influence behaviour of	components of the Earth	Iconography	• The balance between
	What determines our	• The ways in which	target audiences	are interrelated	How visual language	meeting human needs
	beliefs and values	significant events may	Critical evaluation of	• Why the Earth has	facilitates communication	and the use of limited
	How and why role	be recognized, locally		changed and is	Specialized systems of	
	-		messages	-		resources
	models are chosen	and/or globally	presented in the media	continuing to change	communication	Annuachas to looming:
	Influence of role	How a significant event	How people respond to	Human response to the	A manage has to be seen in se	Approaches to learning:
	models on our choices	has an impact on a	messages	Earth's changes	Approaches to learning:	Thinking, Social , Self-

	and actions Approaches to learning: Thinking, Social, Communication skills IBLP attributes: Inquirer, Thinker, Reflective	community • Why viewpoints differ about significant events Approaches to learning: Thinking, Communication, Research skills IBLP attributes: Inquirer, Open-minded, Reflective	Approaches to learning: Thinking, Communication, Social skills IBLP attributes: Risk-taker, Principled, Reflective	Approaches to learning: Social, Self-management, Research skills IBLP attributes: Communicator, Balanced, Knowledgeable	Thinking, Communication, Self-management skills IBLP attributes: Thinker, Open-minded, Knowledgeable	management skills IBLP attributes: Caring, Balanced, Risk- taker
Grade 4	Central idea: The effective interactions between human body systems contribute to health and survival. Key concepts: Form, Connection, Responsibility Related concepts: Interdependence, Health, Systems Lines of inquiry • Body systems and how they work • How body systems are interdependent • Impact of lifestyle choices on the body Approaches to learning: Thinking, Self- management skills	Central idea: Exploration leads to discoveries, opportunities and new understandings. Key concepts: Function, Connection, Perspective Related concepts: Impact, Navigation, Colonialism, Development Lines of inquiry • Reasons for exploration (historical and personal) • How explorations have taken place over time • The consequences of exploration Approaches to learning: Thinking, Research, Communication skills IBLP attributes: Inquirer, Risk-taker, Communicator	Central idea: Throughout history, people have interacted with each other and communicated using arts. Key concepts: Form, Change, Perspective Related concepts: Aesthetics, Creativity, Metaphor Lines of inquiry • How people communicate through arts • How art works provide insight and information • The role of arts in different cultures, places and times • Development of art forms over time Approaches to learning: Thinking, Communication, Social skills	Central idea: Energy may be converted, transformed and used to support human progress. Key concepts: Form, Change, Responsibility Related concepts: Conservation, Progress, Technology Lines of inquiry • Different forms of energy sources (renewable and non-renewable) • How energy is used (transformation) • Sustainable energy practices Approaches to learning: Thinking, Social, Research skills IBLP attributes Knowledgeable, Balanced,	Central idea: Economic activity relies on systems of production, exchange and consumption of goods and services. Key concepts: Function, Connection, Responsibility Related concepts: Interdependence, Equilibrium, Fair trade Lines of inquiry • The role of supply and demand • The distribution of goods and services • Our responsibility as consumers Approaches to learning: Social, Self-management Skills IBLP attributes: Risk-taker, Principled, Thinker	Central idea: Children worldwide encounter a range of challenges, risks and opportunities. Key concepts: Form, Causation, Responsibility Related concepts: Equality, Rights, Resilience Lines of inquiry • Challenges, risks and opportunities that children encounter (local and global) • How children respond to challenges, risks and opportunities • Ways in which individuals and organizations work to protect children from risk Approaches to learning: Self-management, Social, Thinking skills
	Balanced, Knowledgeable,		IBLP attributes: Open-	Inquirer		IBLP attributes: Caring,

	Reflective		minded, Knowledgeable,			Communicator, Reflective
			Reflective			
	Central idea: People's	Central idea: Human	Central idea: A person's	Central idea: Natural	Central idea: Government	Central idea: Biodiversity
	cultural background has	migration is a response to	behaviour and how they	materials can undergo	systems influence the lives	relies on maintaining the
	an impact on their	challenges, risks and	choose to present	changes that may provide	of citizens.	interdependent balance of
	beliefs, values and	opportunities.	themselves project aspects	challenges and benefits for		organisms within systems.
G	actions.		of their identity.	society and the	Key concepts: Change,	
r		Key concepts: Causation,		environment.	Perspective, Responsibility	Key concepts: Function,
а	Key concepts : Form,	Change, Responsibility	Key concepts: Change,			Connection, Responsibility
d	Connection, Perspective		Connection, Perspective	Key concepts: Function,	Related concepts: Equality,	
е		Related concepts:		Causation, Responsibility	Citizenship, Governance,	Related concepts: Balance,
	Related concepts:	Population, Settlement,	Related concepts: Identity,		Law, Politics	Biodiversity,
5	Interpretation, Identity,	Diversity, Refugees	Status, Image, Impression	Related concepts:		Interdependence
	Subjectivity			Sustainability,	Lines of inquiry	
		Lines of inquiry	Lines of inquiry	Transformation,	 How government systems 	Lines of inquiry
	Lines of inquiry	 The reasons why people 	 How appearance and 	Industrialization	function	 Ways in which
	 What constitutes 	migrate	behaviour influence our		 How decision-making 	ecosystems, biomes and
	culture	 Migration throughout 	perception of others	Lines of inquiry	practices reflect human	environments are
	 How people use 	history	• The influence of physical,	 Conditions that cause 	rights	interdependent
	different experiences	 Effects of migration on 	social, emotional and	reversible and	 Impact of government on 	 How human interaction
	to inform their	communities, cultures	intellectual changes that	irreversible changes in	citizens	with the environment
	perspectives	and individuals	occur throughout life	materials	 The rights and 	can affect the balance of
	 The connections 		• Expression as an evolving	 How societies take 	responsibilities of	systems
	between beliefs and	Approaches to learning:	sense of self	advantage of the	citizenship	The consequence
	values, and the	Social, Communication,		properties of materials		of imbalance within
	actions taken in	Self-management skills	Approaches to learning:	• The impact of retrieval,	Approaches to learning:	ecosystems
	response to them		Social, Communication,	production and the use	Social, Communication skills	
		IBLP attributes:	Self-management skills	of materials on the		Approaches to learning:
	Approaches to learning:	Inquirer, Balanced,		environment	IBLP attributes:	Research, Communication
	Social and Research	Reflective	IBLP attributes:		Knowledgeable, Balanced,	skills
	skills		Thinker, Balanced,	Approaches to learning:	Inquirer	
			Reflective	Research, Communication		IBLP attributes:
	IBLP attributes:			and Thinking skills		Thinker, Inquirer, Caring
	Knowledgeable, Open-					
	minded, Risk-taker			IBLP attributes: Principled,		
				Risk-taker, Knowledgeable		

**Note :

Learning and teaching process will be driven by

• Agency - voice, choice and ownership in learning for the learner, learning and teaching and the learning community

• The Exhibition will be a unit of inquiry and decided by students of Grade 5 to mark the culmination of the Primary Years Programme