# Parent Presentation AISL PYPX 2018



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## **Questions Addressed**



- ★ What is exhibition? Why is it important
- ★ Transdisciplinary Theme and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- ★ Central Ideas
- ★ PYPX Requirements
- ★ The Process
- ★ Role of the student, parent & mentor
- ★ What does PYPX look like?

## What is PYPX & why is it important?

## Where we are in Place and Time

A student-led collaborative inquiry under a given transdisciplinary theme.

#### **Apply Learning**

A inquiry that requires students to apply their learning from previous years.

#### **Journey**

A 'rite of passage' from PYP to MYP

#### Action

A context for students to take action as a result of their learning



#### Inquiry

An inquiry that starts from personal interest and passions, yet extends into identifying, investigating and offering solutions to real-life issues or problems.

#### **Essential Elements**

A reflection of understanding of the essential elements of the PYP knowledge, approaches to learning, skills, concepts, attitudes and action.

## Transdisciplinary Theme: Where We Are in Place & Time

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 civilisations, from local and global perspectives.



## **Central Ideas - four options from the retreat**

- Be courageous and take action to sustain life on earth for future generations
- People's creative and innovative practices have an impact on our world
- Knowledge and action can inspire people to innovate and solve world problems
- The courage to speak up and take action can create equality for all life on earth

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## **PYPX Requirements - what does the IB require?**

#### Staging the exhibition

It is a requirement that the exhibition is **shared with members of the wider school community**. There are many formats a sharing event could take, for example, an interactive display, a performance, a debate, or a combination of formats.



- Examples of **written work** in a variety of formats and styles: poetry, reports, persuasive texts
- Oral presentations, individually or in groups, to the school community
- Uses of **technology** including ICT, working models, designs, science experiments
- Performances or compositions in any medium: dance, music, drama, visual arts, film, video, mixed media





## PYPX Process - what students can expect

Students will begin exploring a personal interest or passion they have that can extend into a real world issue.

Students work in collaboration with individuals across the school & local community.

Each person will take action in some way to address an issue. Each person will choose a format of expression to communicate their knowledge, understanding and action.



### Role of the Student

- Oral presentation; collaborate and communicate effectively with peers and teachers to carry out an open-ended inquiry into a self-selected, real-life issue or problem.
- To extend this inquiry to identify and take suitable action.
- To use a **variety of sources** and be academically honest when referring to these.
- To **reflect** on the components of and processes involved in the Exhibition through journaling.
- To engage in **self and peer assessment**.
- A written record of the inquiry process..
- **Student expression**. Communication through a chosen medium e.g. written, story, dance, drama, art, film, photography, mixed media, TED talk etc.
- Effective use of technology.



### Role of the Parent

#### Parent and Guardians will:

- have an understanding of the purpose and requirements of the exhibition
- support and encourage students and teachers throughout the process of inquiry



- be informed by reading newsletters, attending meetings, checking school websites, talking with students
- help your child to access resources—people, places, media and information
- provide expert subject knowledge where applicable
- act as mentors as requested or appropriate
- encourage independent inquiry and respect student ownership of the process
- have an opportunity to reflect on and give feedback on the exhibition
- **celebrate** with the students by attending the staging of the exhibition.



The struggle is real...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VB1gIU21LI4



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### Role of the Mentor

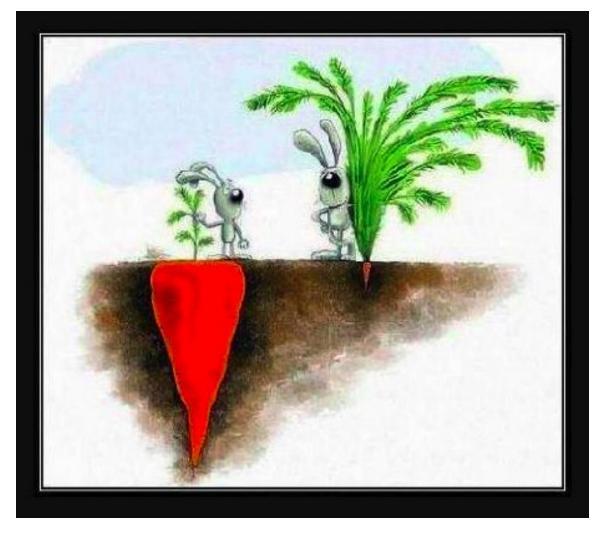


- Visit Grade 5 classes once a week (or in a 'drop in' capacity)
- Be supportive and encouraging
- Offer advice on locating and using resources
- Pose questions and help interpret sophisticated or difficult information
- Facilitate interviews and email communication
- Give time management advice
- Prompt students to document all mentor meetings by commenting on google drive
- **Encourage** and help **monitor** student journal entries
- Celebrate achievements and successes throughout the process
- Celebrate with students by attending the PYPX staging



## What does PYPX look like?

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## Our goals for the PYPX...

## One example...

Renaissance College Hong Kong

## Important Dates



- ★ 19 February: Begin PYPX
- ★ 16 March: (Friday) Parent Checkpoint
- ★ 13 April: (Friday) Parent Checkpoint
- ★ 25 April: (Wednesday) PYPX Parent presentation
- ★ 26-27 April: PYPX AISL presentation and reflection

## Questions?