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PYP Programme of Inquiry

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Transdisciplinary themes

ТНЕМЕ	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
TD Theme descriptor currently being used	An inquiry into the nature of the 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 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.
New TD theme descriptor	An inquiry into identity as individuals and as part of a collective through • physical, emotional, and spiritual health and wellbeing • relationships and belonging • learning and growing	An inquiry into histories and orientation in place, space, and time through: • periods, events, and artefacts • communities, heritage, culture, and environment • natural and human drivers of movement, adaptation, and transformation	An inquiry into the diversity of voice, perspectives, and expression through: • inspiration, imagination, creativity • personal, social, and cultural notes and practices of communication • intentions, perceptions, interpretations, and responses	An inquiry into the understandings of the world and phenomena through: patterns, cycles, systems diverse practices, methods, and tools discovery, design, innovation, possibilities, and impacts 	An inquiry into systems, structures, and networks through: • interactions with and between social and ecological systems • approaches to livelihoods and trade practices: intended and unintended consequences • representation, collaboration, and decision-making	An inquiry into the interdependence of human and natural worlds through: rights, responsibilities, and dignity of all pathways to just, peaceful, and reimagined futures nature, complexity, coexistence, and wisdom

Grade EYP 1	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
Central Idea	We learn who we are through the things we do and the choices we make.		Stories are a medium of expression of our feelings and emotions.	3	People use different modes of transportation to meet their needs.	The connection between humans, animals, and the environment is essential for our survival.
Lines of Inquiry (An inquiry into)	 The ways we use our sense to experience the world Our preferences and the choices we make Recognizing and appreciating individual differences 		 Identifying emotions and awareness of one's feelings Stories as a form of expression Understanding the role of imagination in storytelling 		 Different types of transport Reasons why people choose different modes of transport Safety aspects to adopt while using different transport 	 Types of animals and their habitat Interdependent nature of animals and humans Actions that contribute to One Health
Specified Concepts	Form Causation Perspective		Connection Perspective		Function Change Responsibility	Form Connection Responsibility
Additional Concepts	Belongingness Self-expression Choices		Identity Beliefs Acceptance		System Role Initiative	Endangered species Interdependence Homeostasis
Subject Focus	Science PSPE Language		Arts PSPE Language		Social Studies Mathematics	Science Social studies Mathematics
Approaches to Learning	Self-management skills Communication skills		Thinking skills Self-management skills		Communication skills Self-management skills	Research skills
Learner Profile Attributes	Caring Open-minded		Open minded Communicator		Thinker Risk-taker Inquirer	Balanced Principled
Sustainable Developmental Goals	-		-		SDG 11 - Sustainable cities and communities	SDG 15 - Life on Land

Grade EYP 2	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
Central Idea	We use different ways to express our feelings, ideas and emotions	Lifestyles have changed over time, influencing the way we live, learn, and play	People celebrate festivals to show their traditions	Elements of nature help all living things live and grow	Systems are important to meet the needs of the community	
Lines of Inquiry (An inquiry into)	 Recognizing and expressing emotions Importance of expressing ourselves Managing ourselves and caring for others 	 Changes in how people live, learn, and play over time Reasons for lifestyle changes Our responsibilities in today's world 	 Understanding celebrations and traditions Reasons why people celebrate Ways in which people celebrate different occasions 	 The different elements of nature Role of natural elements for our survival The interdependence between living beings and nature 	 Various systems around us Significance of community helpers Interdependence of systems 	
Specified Concepts	Form Responsibility	Change Causation Responsibility	Form Connection Perspective	Form Connection	Form Function Connection	
Additional Concepts	Empathy Independence	Change Adaptation Technology	Belongingness Diversity Inclusion	Pattern Balance	Structure Behaviour Interdependence	
Subject Focus	Social studies PSPE	Social studies Language PSPE	Social studies Language Arts	Science Arts	Social studies Language Mathematics	
Approaches to Learning	Self-management skills Social skills	Communication skills Thinking skills	Self-management skills Communication skills	Communication skills Thinking skills	Communication skills Social skills	
Learner Profile Attributes	Caring Balanced	Inquirer Knowledgeable	Open-minded Thinker Communicator	Caring Balanced	Communicator Principled Balanced	
Sustainable Developmental Goals	SDG 3-Good health and well- being	-	-	SDG 15- Life on Land	SDG 15- Life on Land	

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Central Idea	Understanding and sharing our feelings helps us care for ourselves and connect with others	Family and community traditions help us understand our culture	Art as a medium of expression helps us share our feelings, thoughts and ideas	Earth is part of an immense system called the Universe	Communities use rules, routines, and symbols to help people live and learn together	Peoples actions and choices can protect or pollute the environment
Lines of Inquiry (An inquiry into)	 Different feelings and ways to express ourselves Recognizing how feelings influence our actions Importance of communication to express ourselves and understand others 	 The role of family and community in our lives Cultural practices and traditions How family and cultural traditions have changed over time 	 Different forms of art Ways artists express themselves and find inspiration Creating art using our imagination and experiences 	 Components of the Solar System Relationship between the Earth, the Sun and the Moon How the Universe affects life on Earth 	 Purpose of rules and routines in different places Signs and symbols we use to communicate expectations Our roles and responsibilities in following expectations 	 Natural resources around us Pollution and its impact Our responsibility towards protecting the environment
Specified Concepts	Form Causation Responsibility	Connection Form Change	Form Perspective Connection	Form Connection Causation	Function Connection Responsibility	Causation Connection Responsibility
Additional Concepts	Regulation Trust Respect	Diversity Belonging Practices	Interpretation Identity Creation	Structure Space Pattern	Cooperation Well-being Safety	Consequences Interdependence Decision-making
Subject Focus	Science PSPE Language	Social studies Language Arts	Social studies Language Arts	Science Mathematics Social studies	Mathematics Social studies PSPE	Science Social studies PSPE
Approaches to Learning	Self-management skills Social skills Communication skills	Social skills Communication skills	Thinking skills Self-management skills	Research skills Thinking skills	Social skills Communication skills	Research skills Self-management skills
Learner Profile Attributes	Caring Communicator Balanced	Open minded Caring	Communicator Inquirer	Inquirer Thinker Knowledgeable	Principled Knowledgeable	Risk-taker Caring
Sustainable Developmental Goals	SDG 3-Good health and well- being	SDG 10-Reduces inequalities	-	SDG 15- Life on Land	-	SDG 15- Life on Land

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Central Idea	The choices we make influences our well-being and our relationships with others	Invention and discoveries change how people live and connect as a community	Performing arts allows us to express our emotions and connect with others	Light and sound help us understand the world around us	Trade and supply help meet the needs of people in a community	The way we use natural resources affects our planet and future
Lines of Inquiry (An inquiry into)	 Constituents of a good quality of life Different factors that affect our quality of life The process and impact of decision making on ourselves and others 	 Significant inventions and discoveries Impact of inventions and discoveries on community How innovation has changed the way we live 	 Performing arts and how they create expression Types of performing arts from around the world The role of performing arts in building connections 	 Sources and properties of light and sound How we use light and sound to explore and communicate Effects of light and sound on living things and daily life 	 The roles of producers and consumers Exchange of goods and services The impact of economic choices on people and communities 	 Differences between renewable and non-renewable resources Ways in which we use resources everyday Practices that help us use resources in sustainable ways
Specified Concepts	Form Causation Responsibility	Function Change Perspectives	Form Connection	Function Connection Causation	Function Causation Connection	Form Connection Responsibility
Additional Concepts	Consequences Influence Priority	Adaptation Society Rules	Collaboration Differences Voice	Senses Discovery Communication	Services Consumption Production	Conservation Consumption Sustainability
Subject Focus	Science PSPE Arts	Social studies Science Language	Mathematics PSPE Arts	Science Language Mathematics	Social studies Mathematics	Science Social studies
Approaches to Learning	Self-management skills Communication skills	Research skills Thinking skills	Communication skills Social skills	Research skills Thinking skills	Thinking skills Self-management skills	Research skills Thinking skills
Learner Profile Attributes	Balanced Communicator Risk-taker	Inquirer Risk-taker	Communicator Open minded Inquirer	Knowledgeable Principled	Thinker Risk-taker	Knowledgeable Caring Inquirer
Sustainable Developmental Goals	SDG 3-Good health and well- being	SDG 9- Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure	SDG 3-Good health and well- being	-	SDG 12- Responsible consumption and production	SDG 15- Life on Land

Grade PYP 3	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
Central Idea	Knowing how our body works helps us take care of ourselves and make healthy choices	Changes in environments drive migration and affect communities	Writing can be a creative and meaningful way to express ourselves	Innovative thinking influences lives and transforms societies	Decisions about money impact our lives	Human actions affect Earth's climate, and sustainable choices help protect it
Lines of Inquiry (An inquiry into)	 How different body parts help us stay healthy Practices that support a healthy body Making informed choices to care for our body 	 Elements that shape community identity Reasons for migration Effect of migration on community and culture 	 Different genres of writing and their features The purpose and format of various writing genres Writing as a form of expression 	 Types of machines Scientific principles and its applications Impact of inventions in our lives 	 Role of money in our daily life Money as a medium of exchange Money management skills and decision making process 	 Climate change and its impact Human activities that contribute to climate change Need for sustainable living
Specified Concepts	Function Causation Connection	Perspective Change Connection	Form Function Perspective	Form Connection Causation	Function Connection Responsibility	Form Causation Responsibility
Additional Concepts	Hygiene Discipline Disease	Values Beliefs Tradition	Imagination Expression Structure	Properties Structure Systems Impact	Role Differences Values	Action Sustainability Lifestyle
Subject Focus	Science PSPE Mathematics	Social studies Language Arts	Social studies Language Arts	Science Mathematics PSPE	Mathematics Social Studies PSPE	Science Mathematics Social studies
Approaches to Learning	Self-management skills Thinking skills	Communication skills Research skills	Communication skills Thinking skills	Research skills Thinking skills	Thinking skills Self management skills	Research skills Thinking skills
Learner Profile Attributes	Caring Balanced Principled	Open minded Thinker	Open-minded Communicator	Thinker Inquirer	Thinker principled Risk taker	Principled Balanced Caring
Sustainable Developmental Goals	SDG 3-Good health and well- being	SDG 16- Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions	SDG 4- Quality Education	SDG 9- Industry, innovation and infrastructure	SDG 8- Decent work and economic growth	SDG 13- Climate action

Grade PYP 4	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
Central Idea	Our body systems and lifestyle choices affect our health and well-being.	Civilizations evolve over time influencing cultures, systems and daily life.	Media shapes how we understand the world and influences our choices.	Patterns and cycles in nature help maintain balance in ecosystems.	Agricultural processes are organized and influenced by the Government.	Energy consumption impacts the Earth and its resources.
Lines of Inquiry (An inquiry into)	 The structure and functions of major body systems Influence of lifestyle choices on our physical and mental health Ways to care for our body and mind for overall wellbeing 	 Origins and development of early civilizations Key characteristics and systems within civilizations Contributions of early civilization to the modern world 	 Different types of media and their uses How media messages are created and presented Influence of media on our choices and perspectives 	 Different types of patterns and cycles in nature How natural systems function to maintain balance in ecosystems The impact of human actions on natural patterns 	 Processes involved in agricultural production The role of government in supporting agriculture How agricultural economies impact communities 	 Forms of energy Different sources of energy Sustainability as a way of life
Specified Concepts	Function Causation Responsibility	Form Function Concept	Function Form Perspectives	Form Function Causation	Form Causation Connection	Form Reponsibility Change
Additional Concepts	Self-awareness Preparedness Growth	Organisation Structure Adaptation	Influence Bias Strategy	Interdependence Homeostatis System	Policies Livelihood Equity	Properties Differences Initiative
Subject Focus	Science PSPE Arts	Social studies Science Language	Social studies Language Arts	Science Mathematics PSPE	Science Social studies Mathematics	Science Social studies Mathematics
Approaches to Learning	Self-management skills Thinking skills	Social skills Thinking skills	Communication skills Research skills	Self-management skills Thinking skills	Social skills Thinking skills	Research skills Self management skills
Learner Profile Attributes	Knowledgeable Caring Balanced	Inquirers Risk takers	Communicator Principled Open-minded	Caring Knowledgeable	Thinker Knowledgeable Inquirer	Inquirer Caring Principled
Sustainable Developmental Goals	SDG 3-Good health and well- being	SDG 11- Sustainable cities and communities	SDG 10- Reduced Inequalities	SDG 15- Life on Land	SDG 10- Reduced Inequalities	SDG 12- Responsible consumption and production

Grade PYP 5	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
Central Idea	Recognising our identity and respecting others supports healthy relationships.	Historical events help us understand how societies have evolved and shaped the present.	Design thinking helps us solve problems by understanding needs and trying out ideas.	Understanding the microscopic world helps us make sense of living systems and impacts our daily lives.	Governing bodies work together and shape decision making during crisis.	Governing bodies work together and shape decision making during crisis.
Lines of Inquiry (An inquiry into)	 Personal traits and experiences that shape who we are Acknowledging and respecting individual differences Ways to build respectful relationships with others 	 Key historical events and their causes Impact of historical events in the present Why is it important to learn from history 	 Stages of design thinking process Application of design thinking in solving reallife problems Refining solutions through feedback and testing 	Structure and functions of microscopic organisms The role of microorganisms in everyday life Transforming human lives through the microscopic lens	 Purpose and structure of different governing bodies Functions of global organizations Rights and responsibilities of a citizen 	 Causes and types of conflicts around us Importance of resolving conflicts and living in harmony How peaceful actions help build strong communities
Specified Concepts	Form Perspective Repsonsibility	Causation Connection Perspective	Function Connection Perspective	Form Function Change	Form Function Responsibility	Causation Perspective Responsibility
Additional Concepts	Conflict Resolution Assertiveness Equity	Impact Relationships Evolution	Process Collaboration Improvement	Properties Diseases Interdependence	Structure Rights Citizenship	Empathy Respect Tolerance
Subject Focus	Social Studies Language PSPE	Social Studies Mathematics Language	Science Arts Mathematics	Science PSPE Mathematics	Social Studies PSPE	Social Studies PSPE
Approaches to Learning	Communication Skills Self-Management Skills	Social Skills Research Skills	Thinking Skills Research Skills	Thinking Skills Research Skills	Research Skills Communication Skills	Self Management Skills Social Skills
Learner Profile Attributes	Open-Minded Caring	Thinker Knowledgeable	Risk Taker Communicator Inquirer	Inquirer Thinker Knowledgeable	Knowledgeable Principled Communicator	Balanced Communicator
Sustainable Developmental Goals	SDG 10 - Reduced Inequalities	SDG 15 - Life on Land	SDG 12 - Responsible Consumption and Production	SDG 3 - Good health and well-being	SDG 16 - Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions	SDG 16 - Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions



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