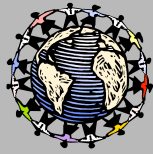


PYP Place



Primary Years Programme

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IBO Mission Statement- The IBO (International Baccalaureate Organization) aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. To this end the IBO works with schools, governments, and international organizations to develop challenging programs of international education and rigorous assessment. These programs encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate, lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

PYP Vocabulary **TERM: Transdisciplinary**

Transdisciplinary is a word that is tossed around a lot in the Primary Years Program. When something is transdisciplinary, it means that it involves more than one discipline. A discipline is what we consider a subject area: reading, writing, math, science, social studies, etc. When we think of how we learn as adults, it is rarely broken down into a single discipline. The IBO believes that it is important for children to see that the disciplines do work together and often big ideas that we need to learn encompass more than one subject area we learn about in school. Additionally, the IBO has transdisciplinary skills. These are skills that are used in all subject areas. They include things like research, communication, self management and thinking. They are taught in all disciplines and are an important part of units of inquiry being taught.

Cedar Manor Teachers Demonstrate **Collaboration**

This Thursday, April 24, the 4th grade team, along with Ms. Ebanks, Miss Edwards, Sra. Wenck and Ms. Zielke will be showcasing student work for families. This was a collaborative effort involving many people and disciplines, which produced amazing work by our CM kids. Among the poetry highlighted during this event will be a project that involved students composing their own music in Ms. Ebanks' class, which they performed on a keyboard and was recorded by Miss Edwards in the media center. Students combined this work with an original poem they wrote, accompanied by a painting (using a technique taught by Ms. Zielke) that reflected the poem. The final product (iMovie) will be shown in classrooms.

Student work is being showcased throughout the school. The celebration runs from 6:00-8:00. Please stop by (if you can) to show your support or to see a Reader's Theater performance in the little theater. This is an example of how PYP teachers can work together to give our kids amazing learning

PYP PROGRESS

- 4 teachers attended Level 2 training in Mpls- Collaborative Planning
- 3 teachers attended Level 1 in Mpls.
- **Knowledgeable and Confidence** are our Learner Profile Attribute and Attitude for April

Did You Know?

- Grade levels have collaboration meetings every week to discuss planners and teaching.
- 4th grade meets every Thursday from 10:30-11:30
- 5th grade meets every Thursday from 9:45-10:30
- 6th grade meets every Wednesday from 8:10-9:00

