



PROGRAMME OF INQUIRY

DURHAM IB WORLD SCHOOL

In the PYP, we are committed to structured inquiry as the vehicle for learning. The six transdisciplinary themes provide the framework for exploration and construction of knowledge. Students learn the Texas standards (TEKS) through units of inquiry created around central ideas within each transdisciplinary theme.

TD Themes	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	Central Idea	Central Idea	Central Idea	Central Idea	Central Idea
PreK	There are different types of relationships.		People express feelings and ideas.	All living things have a life cycle.	People help their community by working together.	
Kinder	Individuals have a role in society.	Everyone has a place in the world.	Customs and traditions influence self-expression.	Living things have basic needs and depend on each other for survival.	People acquire roles and responsibilities to contribute to society.	People show respect in various ways.
1st Grade	Rules and laws govern rights and responsibilities within a community.	Maps are used for a variety of reasons.	Different cultures express beliefs and values through stories.	Inventors and inventions create changes in the world.	Individuals play a part in a community.	Natural resources and living organisms are interconnected.
2nd Grade	Individuals can impact human society.	The past influences a society's present values.	Cultural groups reflect their beliefs and values creatively and symbolically.	The natural world is made up of cycles and patterns.	Groups are built upon structure and order.	Actions carry consequences.
3rd Grade	Leaders impact their communities.	Communities around the world are connected.	Cultural diversity exists in many forms	Living things impact and are impacted by the natural world.	Societies are organized around governmental and economical systems.	People share and conserve Earth's resources.
4th Grade	Beliefs and values of different cultures can cause conflict and change.	Human lifestyles are impacted by location and other cultures.	Culture influences literary and creative expression and how people reflect on their experiences.	Living things experience naturally occurring cycles.	Humans create organized systems to reach common goals.	There are resources on the Earth that people need and use.
5th Grade	Society, relationship and beliefs can influence who you are.	A nation defines itself by understanding the forces involved in its creation.	People use fables, myths, legends, and fairy tales to explain morals, human behaviour, and natural occurrences.	Innovations in science impact human efficiency and productivity	An understanding of economics and education allows society to develop its human resources.	Living organisms including humans can cause changes in ecosystems.