PYP Parent Information Evening
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Concept Map - PYP
Why the IB PYP?

**IB Missions Statement**

The 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 programmes of international education and rigorous assessment. These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.
**Vision**
Moreton Bay Boys College strives to be a leading internationally minded school that offers its boys an innovative, broadly based educational experience. Our philosophy is built on the foundation of Christian values and aims to develop each boy’s critical thinking; and individual abilities, equipping them with the skills necessary to be successful, productive and responsible global citizens.

**Values**
Our school community incorporates the core values of:
- Engagement
- Character
- Care
- Team Work
and these underpin everything we do.
5 Essential Elements of the PYP
Inquirers

Thinkers

Knowledgeable

Caring

Communicators

Reflective

Risk-takers

Balanced

Principled

Learner Profile
The Learner Profile in action
Central Idea

Partnership between home and school can enhance student learning and promote action.

- Education and children of today
- The benefits of the PYP for students
- Partnership between home and school
Colour, Symbol, Image

what is an educated person?
To be truly educated, a student must also make connections across the disciplines, discover ways to integrate the separate subjects, and ultimately relate what they learn to life.  

Ernest Boyer 1995
• 6 Units of Inquiry throughout the year
• The Australian Curriculum
• The Basics!
Concepts

Form
Function
Change
Causation
Connection
Reflection
Perspective
Responsibility
Are our children learning enough about whales???
Using the Concepts

- **Using the 8 Concepts, investigate this topic.**
- **Form** (What is it like?)
- **Function** (How does it work?)
- **Change** (How is it changing?)
- **Causation** (What is the cause?)
- **Connection** (How is it connected?)
- **Reflection** (How do we know?)
- **Perspective** (What are the other points of view?)
- **Responsibility** (Whose responsibility is it?)
Inquiry Learning

More than just research

• exploring, wondering and questioning
• experimenting and playing with possibilities
• making connections between previous learning and current learning
• making predictions and acting purposefully to see what happens
• collecting data and reporting findings
• clarifying existing ideas and reappraising perceptions of events
• deepening understanding through the application of a concept
• making and testing theories
• researching and seeking information
• taking and defending a position
• solving problems in a variety of ways
Making Predictions

YOU WERE RIGHT...
People don't land on their feet...
I see you did well in school, but what real-world skills do you have?

Tests. I can take tests.
Approaches to Learning

Skills

Thinking Skills
Research Skills
Communication Skills
Self-management Skills
Social Skills
Attitudes

Appreciation  Empathy
Commitment  Enthusiasm
Confidence  Independence
Cooperation  Integrity
Creativity  Respect
Curiosity  Tolerance
Action

So, how can you help?

- Talk the talk - Learner Profile
- Share your expertise...be a primary Source
- Celebrate action with us
- Promote inquiry
The PYP Exhibition

- The Exhibition is:
  - group inquiry
  - an inquiry that starts from personal interest and passions, but extends into real world issues
  - an inquiry that requires students to apply their learning from previous years
  - an inquiry that demonstrates their proficiencies in all areas of the programme
  - an inquiry demonstrating how they learn and what they have learnt
  - a ‘rite of passage’ from PYP to MYP
Reflections – Windscreen test

- What is becoming clearer?

- What is still a bit foggy?

- What is still muddy?
Thank you for coming and we look forward to working with you this year.