Exhibition: An Introduction for Parents

A culmination of student learning in the PYP
What is the Exhibition?

“The primary years programme (PYP) exhibition represents a significant event in the life of a PYP school and student, synthesizing the essential elements of the PYP and sharing them with the whole school community. As a culminating experience it is an opportunity for students to exhibit the attributes of the international baccalaureate (IB) learner profile that have been developing throughout their engagement with the PYP.

In the students’ final year of the pyp, which occurs in some schools at age 10–11 and in others at age 11–12, there are five units of inquiry and the exhibition*. The exhibition unit takes place under any transdisciplinary theme at the discretion of the school. Students are required to engage in a collaborative, transdisciplinary inquiry process that involves them in identifying, investigating and offering solutions to real-life issues or problems. The central idea selected must be of sufficient scope and significance to warrant a detailed investigation by all students.”

The Exhibition Process - Video
Why is the exhibition so important?

- Requirement of the IB Primary Years Program
- The culmination of their primary school learning.
- A chance for parents and the school community to engage with the curriculum.
- An opportunity for students to take on challenges, share their ideas and pursue their own inquiries.
What is my child expected to do?

- Work collaboratively in a group
- Meet with their mentor weekly
- Complete additional work outside school (as required)
- Demonstrate an understanding of the Central Idea and key concepts
- Demonstrate the PYP approaches to learning (these have been covered in prior units)
  - Social Skills
  - Self-management Skills
  - Research Skills
  - Communication Skills
  - Thinking Skills
How will my child be assessed?

- Group work rubric
- Self, peer, teacher and parent assessment
- Conceptual understandings
- Approaches to learning/Transdisciplinary Skills
- AUSVELS
- Reports
What can I do to support my child?

The Parent Exhibition Journey

- Cheering from the sidelines
- Providing support and facilitation in the pit stop 
  (using technology, excursions, sending emails)
- Encouraging your child to drive their own learning
- Come and share in our celebration on exhibition night - Ask questions, provide feedback.

SUPPORT, FACILITATE, CELEBRATE
How will the school support my child?

- Steph, Steve & Emily are leading the exhibition sessions
- Mentors meet with groups weekly
- Class teachers
How will the exhibition affect classroom curriculum?

- Timetable
- Teachers
- Specialist programs
- Homework
- Maths
- English
- Literacy support timetable
What dates do I need to be aware of?

- Exhibition starts on Monday 3\textsuperscript{rd} August
- Exhibition evening on Wednesday 14\textsuperscript{th} October
- Exhibition presentation day on Thursday 15\textsuperscript{th} October