# HE IB PYP NEWSLETTER Cacasde Elementary School December 2020

### IB Coordinator's Message

Hello Tiger Family! Our scholars are working hard and growing through **transdisciplinary** learning. Transdisciplinary means our learning is interconnected and can be applied across all subjects. Be sure to ask your child about connections made throughout each IB Unit of Inquiry.

Congrats to all students who participated in the CES Virtual Science Fair. Our Tiger Scholars impressed judges, and were knowledgeable and great communicators ! Also, all students are encouraged to keep sharing your voice with the IB Connections projects.

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The Learner Profile Attribute of the Month

### Balanced #WorkHardPlayWell

We understand the importance of intellectual, physical and emotional balance to achieve personal well-being for ourselves and others.

We recognize our interdependence with other people and with the world in which we live.

## Connecting SEL and IB

APS is committed to the social, emotional, and academic development of students by connecting "hearts and smarts" with Social Emotional Learning (SEL). At Cascade, we also incorporate **SEL** through the lens of **IB**. The SEL Book of the Month is *Just Ask* by *Sonya Sotomayor* which encourages children and all people to *Just Ask* when you come across someone who is different from you. The SEL Competency for the month is **responsible decision making**, and the

#### Cascade Tigers ROAR with Pride!

We are...

Respectful - Caring, Open Minded

Communicators

**Obedient** - Principled and Balanced **Achievers** - Knowledgeable Inquirers and Risk Takers

**Responsible** - Thinkers Ready to

Act, Reflect, and Change

the World

theme is **inclusion**. The IB Approach to Learning skill is **Thinking Skills**. Cascade Tigers should show curiosity by seeking information to develop **questioning** skills and build **knowledge.** Also, we should consider multiple factors when making decisions.

#### Approaches to Learning Communication Skills

Reading with your child is a great way to build **communication** and **literacy** skills. Visit <u>https://childrenslibrarylady.com/communication-books/</u> for a list of books all related to the IB trait of the month.

Be sure to encourage your child to participate in APS' Race2Read Program by reading 20 minutes daily. Look for the Beanstack app on MyBackpack to record your reading. The passcode is race2read.

Tiger Scholars grow stronger when they practice their Communication and Literacy Skills. Can't wait to see who will lead the pack in the race!