

PARKSIDE MONTHLY NEWS



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What's unique to an IB classroom?

Teachers encouraging student collaboration and inquiry make every classroom a special place for IB. PYP teachers provide learning experiences that allow students to construct deeper meaning of concepts explored in the classroom.

In order to participate in this innovative and effective learning environment, the classroom must first establish essential agreements that all students agree upon. It models the framework for the learning community, displaying the value of student input and feedback as part of the learning process. The essential agreements are constantly addressed and revised when necessary. Each class creates their unique set of essential agreements to allow for efficient planning and collaboration.

Ask your child about their classroom essential agreements and what part they suggested to their classmates.



essential agreement

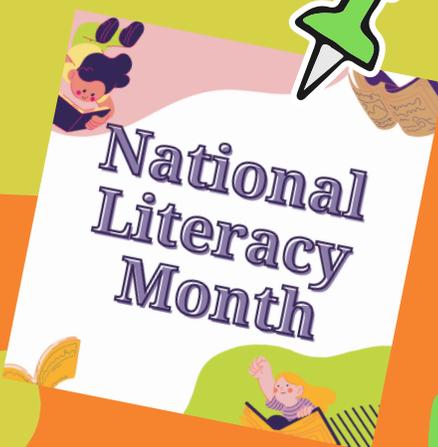
MAKE WISE CHOICES WITH YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS

RESPECT OTHERS, their THINGS, IDEAS and DIFFERENCES

take responsibility

LIVE THE LEARNER PROFILE

YOU CAN, YOU CAN, you know YOU CAN



National Family Literacy Month

Parkside's students and families are strongly encouraged to celebrate National Family Literacy Month! It's an opportunity to reflect on the importance and impact of literacy in our day-to-day lives.

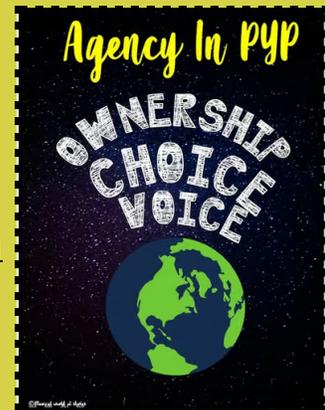
IB LEARNER PROFILE ATTRIBUTE FOR THE MONTH:

CARING

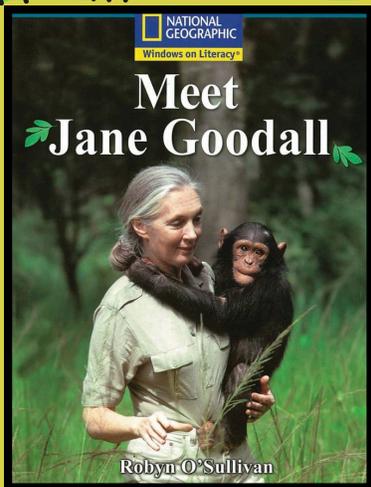


Student Agency- What's your passion?

Developing student agency is one of the most important things we can do as parents and educators to prepare our students for the future. Student agency is about the student taking an active role in their own education. Encouraging student agency helps students take an active role in their own learning, increases their confidence, motivation and interest in activities. Ways to support Student Agency at home: Set goals - These can be academic or personal goals. Setting goals helps students develop awareness, self-discipline, impulse control and stress management. Initiate and take action toward the goals - Create steps to work towards the goal. If the goal is to increase their class averages, set a goal to read or practice math for 15 minutes a day. If the goal is to be more organized, set a goal to clean out your backpack every night and prepare for the day ahead. Reflect and Revise - Check in regularly to see your student's progress toward their goals. Passion Project - If your student seems to not be motivated, they may need a passion project. A passion project can be on anything your student is interested in. Maybe they want to learn to cook or paint? Giving the student the opportunity to pick their own project helps them set goals and expand their interests.



“IB Spotlight” Inspirational Figures Embodying the Learner Profile Traits



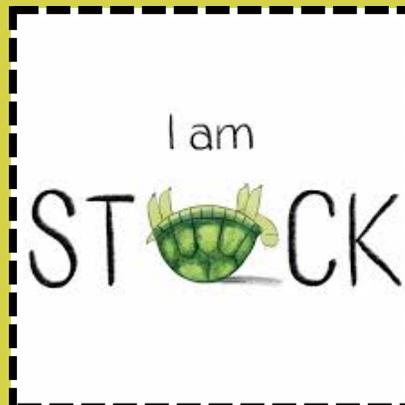
Jane Goodall truly exhibits the learner profile attribute, **caring**, through her lifelong commitment to animal welfare and environmental conservation. She demonstrates empathy and compassion, not only for the chimpanzees she studied, but also for the broader ecosystems they inhabit. Goodall's efforts promote practices and advocate for social justice reflect her deep concern for both animals and human communities.



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SEL BOOK OF
THE MONTH:
“I am STUCK”
BY:
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