

Ras Al Khaimah Academy International Primary School Khuzam IB PYP Programme of Inquiry 2020-21

Pre K (age 3-4): Programme of Inquiry – 2020-2021						
Who We Are An inquiry into the nature of the self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human.	How the World Works An inquiry into the natural world and its laws; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.	How We Express Ourselves An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.	Where We are in Place and Time An inquiry into orientation in place and time; personal histories; homes and journeys; the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives.			
UNIT 1 = 34 teaching days 30/08/20 - 14/10/20	UNIT 2 = 36 teaching days 19/10/20 – 10/12/20 (*end of Term 1)	UNIT 3 = 58 teaching days 03/01/21 – 25/03/21 (*end of Term 2)	UNIT 4 = 59 teaching days (*Ramadan) 11/04/21 – 01/07/21 (*end of Term 3 for students)			
Central idea: Learning about who I am and what I can do helps me reflect on how I have grown and changed. Lines of Inquiry My physical characteristics What I can do My feelings, likes and dislikes How I am growing and changing	Central idea: Light allows people to meet their interests and needs. Lines of inquiry: Different sources of light in our world The uses of light to meet people's needs The different behaviours of light	Central idea: Our imagination can extend our ability to think, create and express ourselves. Lines of inquiry: How we can bring stories we read, share and know to life Imaginative use of everyday materials Different ways to express ideas	Central idea: Journeys help us to learn. Lines of inquiry: Types of journeys. Recording of journeys.			

KG 1 (age 4-5) : Programme of Inquiry – 2020-2021						
Who We Are	How the World Works	Where We are in Place and Time	How We Express Ourselves			
An inquiry into the nature of the self; beliefs and	An inquiry into the natural world and its laws; the	An inquiry into orientation in place and time;	An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and			
values; personal, physical, mental, social and	interaction between the natural world (physical and	personal histories; homes and journeys; the	express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and			
spiritual health; human relationships including	biological) and human societies; how humans use	discoveries, explorations and migrations of	values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and			
families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights	their understanding of scientific principles; the	humankind; the relationships between and the	enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the			
and responsibilities; what it means to be human.	impact of scientific and technological advances on	interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations,	aesthetic.			
	society and on the environment.	from local and global perspectives.				
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Central idea:	Central idea:	Central idea:	Central idea:			
Family and friends have a responsibility to	Animals have needs to help them grow and	People play different roles in our community	*We can express our feelings through the Arts.			
care for and help each other.	survive.	that help us every day.	Lines of inquiry:			
Lines of Inquiry:	Lines of inquiry:	Lines of inquiry:	The different mediums of Art			
 The different kinds of families and friends 	 The features of different animals 	People's roles in our community	How art can make us feel			
 Our responsibilities towards our friends and 	 The needs of different animals 	 The things they need to do their work 				
families	 How different habitats suit different animals 	How their roles help us				
 The different activities we can do with our 		·				
family and friends						

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	KG2 (age 5-6) : Programme of Inquiry – 2020-2021						
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UNIT 1 = 34 teaching days 30/08/20 - 14/10/20 Central idea: Play can help us function as a team. Lines of inquiry: • The reasons we play • The social elements of play • How we can work effectively in groups • The connection between play and learning	UNIT 2 = 36 teaching days 19/10/20 – 10/12/20 (*end of Term 1) Central idea: The way we use materials depends on its properties. Lines of inquiry: • Materials we use everyday • The properties of materials • The appropriate use of materials	Central idea *Our feelings can be expressed through visual art. Lines of inquiry: • Types of feelings we have • Forms of visual arts	Central idea: *Connections between people help our school. Lines of inquiry: • Helpful people of our school • Connected roles people have at our school	Central idea: *We have a responsibility to care for our environment, through our home. Lines of inquiry: • The impact of waste on my home. • Different ways we can care for our home. • Actions we take in our home can impact the wider world.	Central idea: *Documenting personal histories allows us to remember. Lines of Inquiry: • A memory from Long Ago • A memory that makes you Laugh • A memory that makes you Cry • A memory as Precious as Gold • A memory of something Warm		



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Central idea: Celebrations bring families together. Lines of Inquiry: Types of celebrations. How celebrations bring families together.	Central idea: Scientists use a process to understand and explore. Lines of inquiry: What a scientist does. How science influences our lives.	EDIT Central idea: Many products go through a process of change before they can be consumed or used. Lines of inquiry: The origin of products The changes products go through The process of distributing products	Central idea: Managing resources is our responsibility. Lines of inquiry: Different resources and their uses. Responsible choices to manage resources	Central idea: We create stories to express feelings. Lines of inquiry: Different ways we can share stories How stories make us feel	EDIT Central idea: Climate and location can determine how people live around the world. Lines of inquiry: What a home is and its purpose Effect of climate on resources Similarities and differences between homes		

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Central idea: Differences in values can affect human relationships. Lines of inquiry: Our personal values The connection between relationships and values Our responsibilities toward ourselves and others	Central idea: We understand forces through play. Lines of inquiry: • How forces work • We learn through play	Central idea: People can establish practices in order to sustain and maintain the Earth's resources. Lines of inquiry Limited nature of the Earth's resources Personal choices that can help sustain the environment Reusing and recycling different materials Reducing waste	Central idea: Culture can be expressed through the arts. Lines of inquiry: Our cultural history Similarities and differences in cultures around us Appreciation of cultural expression around us	Central idea: Shared routines can help keep families healthy. Lines of inquiry: Purpose of rules and routines Family responsibilities Different ways to be healthy	Central idea: Maps use mathematical systems. Lines of inquiry: The components of maps How maps use mathematics How explorers make and use maps effectively	

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Central idea: Our body is affected by our lifestyle choices. Lines of inquiry: • Lifestyle choices • Positive and negative outcomes on our body	Central idea: The elements of nature can lead to changes of the earth. Lines of inquiry: Natural features that make up Earth The changes of natural features of the earth The impact of these changes	Central idea: Human impact endangers living things Lines of inquiry: Human impact on our planet Living things in danger	Central idea: Disasters lead to human response. Lines of inquiry: Types of disasters Responses to disasters	Central idea: Family histories show insight into cultural and personal identity. Lines of inquiry: Family ancestry Artifacts, heirlooms or rituals that have meaning in a family Similarities and differences between generations within a family	Central idea: Stories inform and move us. Lines of Inquiry: • What stories convey • Feelings that stories evoke	

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Lines of inquiry Different types of homes Circumstances that determine where people live	Lines of inquiry: Human actions in the natural environment. The impacts on the climate	Lines of inquiry: How our lives differ from before Old discoveries that we still rely on today	Lines of inquiry: Different types of industries What are the impacts on communities	Lines of inquiry: Conflicts arise because of different viewpoints. Conflicts can have a variety of outcomes.	Lines of inquiry: Beauty can be found in different forms. Beauty is an individual perception.	

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*Transitions shape our future. Lines of inquiry: The social, emotional and intellectual changes that occur throughout life Factors that contribute to well-being during adolescence	Central idea: *Pandemics inspire innovation and create systematic change Lines of inquiry: • The origin of the virus • Governmental responses to the outbreak • Innovations in response to the outbreak	Central idea: *Migration is a response to human circumstances. Lines of inquiry: • Why people migrate • The effects of migration on communities, cultures and individuals.	Central idea: *The world is not equal for all. Lines of inquiry: • The types of inequality • To be constructed by the children and class teacher (will differ from class to class)	Central idea: *The products we buy can harm our environment and others. Lines of inquiry: • How making and using products can harm the environment • How the making of these products harm others	Central Idea: We can inspire people in our community by sharing our personal passions. Lines of inquiry: Identifying and understanding my passion How my passion connects to a global issue