

2nd Grade Spotlight:

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.

This IB unit takes a look at symbols around the world.

Central Idea: Symbols can express ideas, cultures, and beliefs in the world.

Our unit will dive into...

* Symbols found around the world and their meaning (Connection) *How beliefs and cultures contribute to different points of view. (Perspective) *How to be respectful of others and their beliefs. (Responsibility)

We will explore these key concepts:

* **Responsibility**-What is our responsibility? ***Perspective**-What are the points of view? ***Connection**-How is it connected to other things?

Our guiding questions will include:

*What is a symbol? *Why are symbols important? *How are symbols used in different places? *Can symbols mean different things? *

We will focus on being these Learner Profile attributes:

***Communicators**- We share ideas. **Open Minded**- We consider other points of view. **Thinkers**- We think about things in the world.

We will demonstrate these IB Attitudes:

***Respect**- We have good manners. ***Appreciation**-We are thankful. **Tolerance**-We are accepting of others.

We will practice these skills:

* **Self-Management Skills**-We will use gross and fine motor skills, organize our time, and will make informed decisions.

