

TRANSDISCIPLINARY THEMES AT ISI

Who We Are

An inquiry into identity as individuals and as part of a collective through: physical, emotional and spiritual health and well-being; relationships and belonging; learning and growing.

How the World Works

An inquiry into the understanding of the world and phenomena through: patterns, cycles, systems; diverse practices, methods, and tools; discovery, design, innovation, possibilities, and impacts.

How We Express Ourselves

An inquiry into the diversity of voice, perspectives, and expression through: inspiration, imagination, creativity; personal, social, and cultural notes and practices of communication; intentions, perceptions, interpretations, and responses.

Sharing the Planet

An inquiry into the interdependence of human and natural worlds through: rights, responsibilities, and dignity of all; pathways to just, peaceful, and reimagined futures; nature, complexity, coexistence, and wisdom.

How We Organize Ourselves

An inquiry into systems, structures, and networks through: interactions with and between social and ecological systems; approaches to livelihoods and trade practice - intended and unintended consequences; representation, collaboration, and decision-making.

Where We Are in Place and Time

An inquiry into histories and orientation in place, space and time through: periods, events and artifacts; communities, heritage, culture and environment; natural and human drivers of movement, adaptation and transformation.

Early Years (Year A)

My Family

Families share traditions, values, and experiences that connect us.

Early Years (Year B)

Growing Into Me

As we grow, we use our senses to understand the world and others.

Kinder

Our Bodies

Understanding our body parts helps us take care of ourselves and communicate with others.

Grade 1

Friendship

Friendship creates a more peaceful world.

Grade 2

Tune Up Your Body

Our body parts work together and function best when they are healthy.

Grade 3

Balanced Choices

Making balanced choices about daily routines enables us to have a healthy lifestyle.

Grade 4

Belief Systems

People have different belief systems and traditions that influence their lives.

Grade 5

Exhibition

Student-led, 6-8 week long project.

Emotion

Our bodies are tools for creative expression and communication.

Express Ourselves

We express who we are through our creative choices.

Feel the Music

People express emotions through music and movement.

Let's Create

People express their ideas and feelings through the visual arts.

Tales, Myths, and Legends

Through tales, myths and legends, people express beliefs and values in entertaining ways.

Express Yourself

Words, sound, and movement help people share their ideas, and feelings and culture in creative ways.

The Arts

People express their culture and beliefs through various forms of art.

Media Madness

People use media to influence behavior.

Living Things

Living things grow, change, and need care.

Caring for Plants

Plants have specific needs in order to grow and stay healthy.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Our choices affect the environment around us.

Nature's Gifts

We use natural resources in many useful ways.

Animal Habitats

Caring for animals and protecting their habitats ensures the wellbeing of our ecosystems.

Water is Life

Water is a natural resource essential to life, so we must use it responsibly.

Sustainable Earth

Natural and human events cause changes on Earth.

Energy

Energy exists in different forms, and it is changed, stored and used in many ways.

Community

There are people in our community who help us in different ways.

Our School

Everyone has a responsibility to make our school work.

Field to Table

Every person on Earth has the right to nutritious food.

Cities

People design cities to meet the needs and wants of the inhabitants.

Money, Money, Money

People's circumstances and decisions about money influence their lifestyles.

Running a Business

Businesses arise and evolve to meet the needs of the community.

Government

Government systems are responsible for making decisions that impact its society.

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Homes

Homes are built differently all over the world to fit what people need and like.

Maps

Maps help us understand our place in the world.

Ancient Civilizations

Things from the past tell us how people lived long ago.

Innovation

Inventions have evolved over time to improve the quality of life for all living things.

Human Movement

Groups of people settling in new locations impact the existing population.

History

Learning about history helps people understand the present world and gives opportunities to create a better future.