

# **PRINCIPALS NEWSLETTER JULY 2022**


# IBDP & MYP5 RESULTS

The International Baccalaureate has announced the IBDP results on 5<sup>th</sup> July and the students of Indus International School Pune, Class of 2022 have made us feel proud and delighted with their results.

Nihar Karve and Muskaan Toshniwal have earned a perfect score of 45/45 points.

Karan Patel and Jithin Bathula have scored 44/45 points. We have 11 students who have scored above 40 points and 23 students scoring above 35 points. The total number of 7's in all subjects is 69 and number of 6's is 156. The school consistently maintains the record of having a 100 % success rate in Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge component.

We congratulate each and every student and also thank our teachers and parents for their tireless efforts.



The postcard features a dark green background. At the top left is the Indus International School Pune logo. At the top right is the IBDP logo. The word "Congratulations" is written in a white cursive font. Below it, the text reads "OUR VALEDICTORIANS SCORE A PERFECT 45 IN THE IBDP MAY 2022 EXAMINATION". In the center, there are two circular portraits of students in green graduation gowns and caps. Between them is a white circle containing "45/45". Below each portrait is a white box with the student's name: "NIHAR KARVE" and "MUSKAAN TOSHNIWAL". At the bottom, there are two white boxes with the text "CONGRATULATIONS ON MAKING IT TO" followed by the logos of the University of Cambridge and Duke University. The bottom right corner has the text "@indus.pune".

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# IBDP & MYP5 RESULTS

Following our most successful IBDP results with two perfect 45s, we are proud to inform that the results of our MYP class of 2022 have been equally good.

The highest score is achieved by Ananya Ganesh, 54/56.

7 students have scored above 50 points, 11 students above 45 points and 16 students above 40 points.

We feel gratified with the performance of our students, proud and fortunate to have a team of highly skilled, dedicated and hardworking teachers on board with us, who mentored our students to accomplish their academic goals.

We wish our students the very best in their future endeavors.



**ib** Middle Years Programme

*Congratulations*  
TO OUR MYP CLASS OF 2022

Highest Score <b>54</b> Points	Grade Average <b>5.1</b> Points	<b>45</b> Points & above 17 Students
<b>50</b> Points & above 7 Students	School Average <b>40.1</b> Points	

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# PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME (PYP)

The INSET weeks at the beginning of the session act as the push needed to jumpstart the academic session. The trainings and workshops held through the past two weeks were curated to equip teachers with skills and new policy changes, to make the year ahead, a success. After identifying the need of the teachers, sessions were carefully planned to ensure that the skill set required to remain relevant in the current pandemic situation was spoken and worked upon.

Informative sessions held by teams from ITARI (Indus Training and Research Institute) and in school helped open up more vistas for teachers to further focus on their self-awareness and development. Detailed workshops were organized to make the teachers aware about the role of a Mini Principal and the responsibility that each teacher needs to take on during the course of the year.

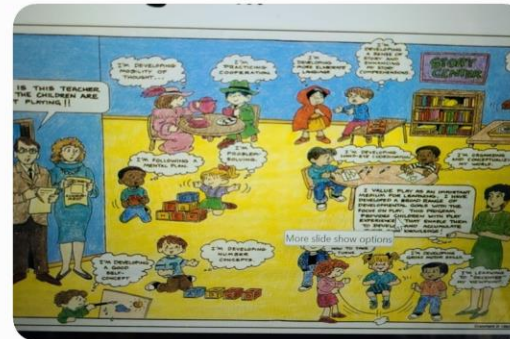
As a part of preparation for the upcoming academic session, a number of curriculum related workshops were conducted in house to help the new staff on board and refresh certain shared good practices in the PYP.



# PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME (PYP)

Workshops on the enhanced PYP Principles to Practice was held to inform the staff about the expectations of the IB from each school. A series of sessions on assessments helped teachers share their best practices and also informed them about the criteria that each assessment needs to be based on. Short sessions on visual thinking routines, teacher disposition, role of language in the PYP and managing challenging behaviours were organized to help the PYP team focus on the various strategies that can be used to ensure a healthy and happy PYP classroom.

To ensure the team remains to be digitally fluent, training sessions on Toddle were conducted for the team to be able to use the learning management system effectively for organizing and assessing the tasks, year long.



	Monitoring	Documenting	Measuring	Report
<b>Why? (the aim)</b>	to check the progress of learning against personal learning goals and success criteria.	to compile the evidence of learning	to capture what a student has learned at a particular "point in time" and analyse the data to inform learning and teaching	to describe the and achieve the students' learning
<b>How? (strategies)</b>	observation, questioning, reflection, discussing, learning with peers and teachers, giving feedback	a variety of media forms (physical/digital) - learning journal/stories, portfolios	a range of assessment tools and strategies which compile the most comprehensive picture of student progress and achievement over time.	Parent/teacher conference, Student conference, Report, Learning Progress
<b>What? (Tools)</b>	open-ended tasks, written or oral assessment, and a learning portfolio	exemplars, checklists, rubrics, anecdotal records, portfolios		



# PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME (PYP)



## CURRICULUM ROAD MAP DAY

As we start the new academic session, the PYP parents and students attended the Curriculum Road Map Day presentation delivered by the Head of School and Coordinator of the programme. Information about the Innovation Council, Mini Principal and the guidelines for the year were shared with all the attendees. The Chair of Parent Advisory Committee (PAC), Ms Swapnali Sangare addressed the parents and apprised them of the various opportunities for them to stay connected with the School. She added that parental involvement in a child's learning journey helps in building a strong community that is dynamic, diverse and supportive.

Following the main presentation, grade specific sessions were conducted outlining the requirements and the curriculum for all the EYP and PYP classes. Parents and students got an opportunity to interact with the home-room teachers and seek clarifications on doubts related to both academic and non – academic components of the school. It indeed was a pleasure to see students and parents on campus.

# PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME (PYP)



# MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME (MYP)



## MYP CURRICULUM ROAD MAP DAY

The MYP parents and students attended the Curriculum Road Map Day on 30th July to get a thorough understanding of the curriculum and the way forward for students.

The MYP curriculum framework, subject groups and assessments in the MYP were discussed with the parents. They were also briefed about the concept of holistic education at IISP which comprises of Experiential Learning, Whole Education Programme, Innovation Curriculum, Startup you Programme, Climate Action Projects, Design Thinking Process and so on.

Further, the key dates and timelines were shared with the parents and they were introduced with the mini principals and the home room teachers.

It was a pleasure to have parents on campus and the MYP looks forward to interacting with parents and students throughout the year and are hopeful of a long and fruitful association.

# MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME (MYP)

## MYP Year 5 Young Achievers

### Ronith Lahoti (MYP5 student):

Ronith Lahoti has been pursuing German language since his Grade 5 and has now managed to excel and earn the German A1 level proficiency conducted by Goethe Institute.

### Rudrakksh Jain (MYP5 student):

Rudrakksh Jain cleared first 2 rounds in Bangalore Football Club trials. He is going to appear for the third round in Ballari (near Humpi).

### Chinmay Patgaonkar (MYP5 student):

Our another young eagle **Chinmay Patgaonkar** was invited to an IB school – Vedanya International school– as a teen author for their literary fest where he was interviewed.

We are proud of our student achievements and wish them good luck !



#### To Whom It May Concern:

We were very grateful to Mr Chinmay Patgaonkar for agreeing to be at Vedanya's First Children Literature Fest, held on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

He inspired parents and peers equally, with his quest to write a novel using technology to describe the setting, haven't ever visited the locale.

He was candid in sharing his experiences and had the audiences in spits narrating anecdotes about parental supervision and discussions.

We were amazed by his sensitivity when he expressed gratitude towards his elder sister and considered her to be his inspiration.

We wish this budding writer years of success and await his next novel, hoping that he gives us an opportunity to release it.

Chinmay, may you realise all your dreams and aspirations.

Warmly,

Akshada Kamat

Head of School

Vedanya International School

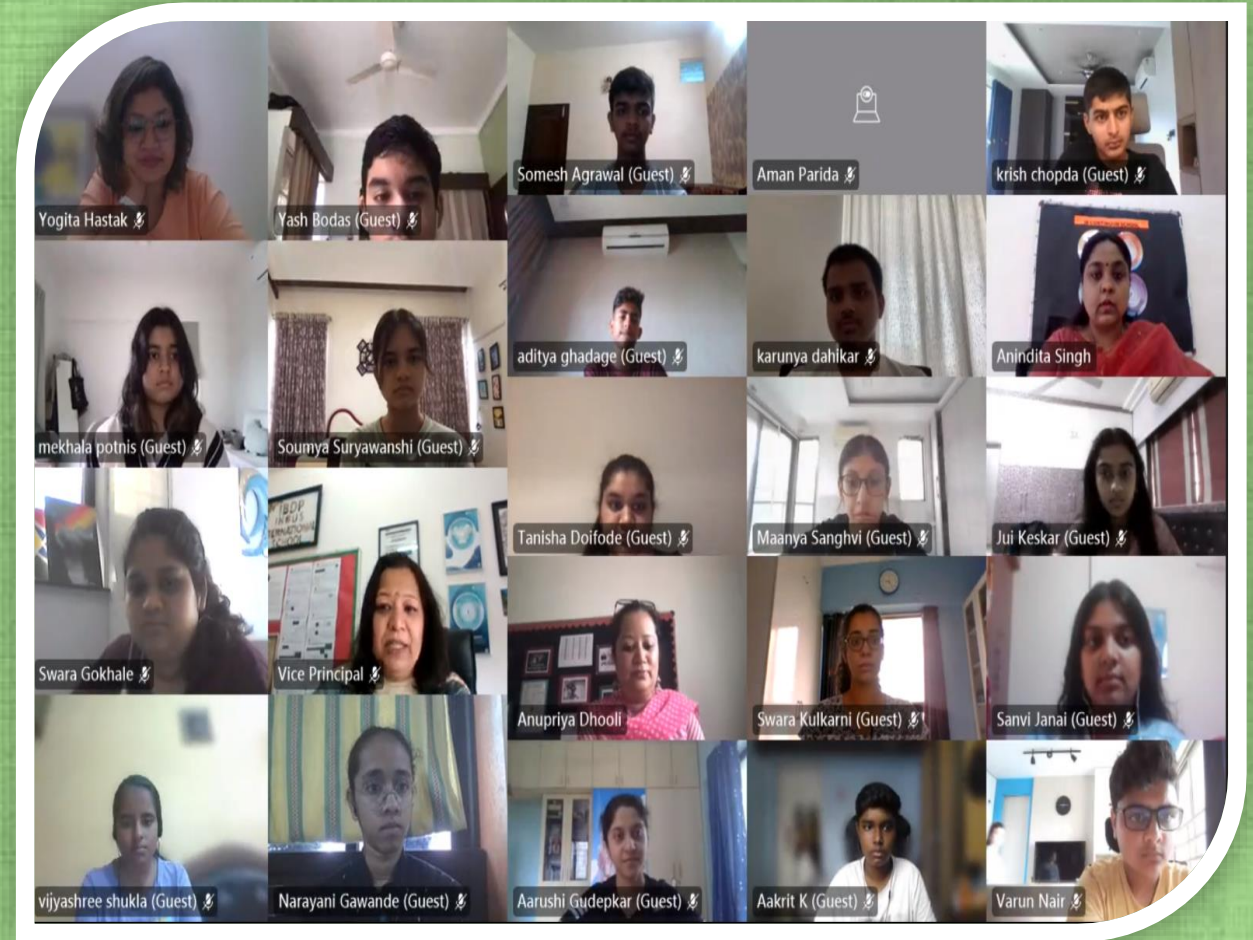


# DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP)

## The Pre-DP Course

The two week online Pre-DP course started on 20th July 2022 with 87 new students. It was encouraging to see the active participation of students in the classes. Every morning, the students reported for morning registrations followed by online sessions till noon. The Mini Principal sessions were held every day where the students shared their experiences of the day and provided honest feedback and suggestions.

The new students were oriented with Indus Vision and Mission Statements, Core components of Diploma Program, Subject Fairs and School Philosophy. Special sessions were taken by the Placement Team and Indus School of Leadership. The students actively participated in setting their personal and professional goals and Design Thinking Process. The Knowledge Bowl and Six thinking hats activity was the key highlight and many students displayed it on the culmination day.



# DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP)

The Pre-DP course ended on 29th July 2022 with the Culmination Day. A day well spent where the students planned a wonderful online celebration that touched everyone's hearts. The students showcased their talent in the form of dancing, singing, poetry recitation and many more. Sayani and Narayani performed Indian classical dance form of kathak. Arsh, narrated his poetry, and Jazz shared her personal account of all the noble work she has done volunteering throughout the summer.

Abhishek spoke about his amazing initiative of starting an NGO and promoting data sciences. Aanya's speech motivated everyone on how she started her own business at the early age of 16 and Jui, who has made an award-winning Wearable tremor profiling device for patients with Parkinson's disease. Aakrit showed his Origami creations, played guitar while Karunya portrayed his talent of singing. The show which went around for more than two hours, ended with a mindful session lead by Zaina.



Preparing decorations for our celebration on 5th June:  
**World Environment Day!**



Making a face cutout poster for the kids to take pictures with

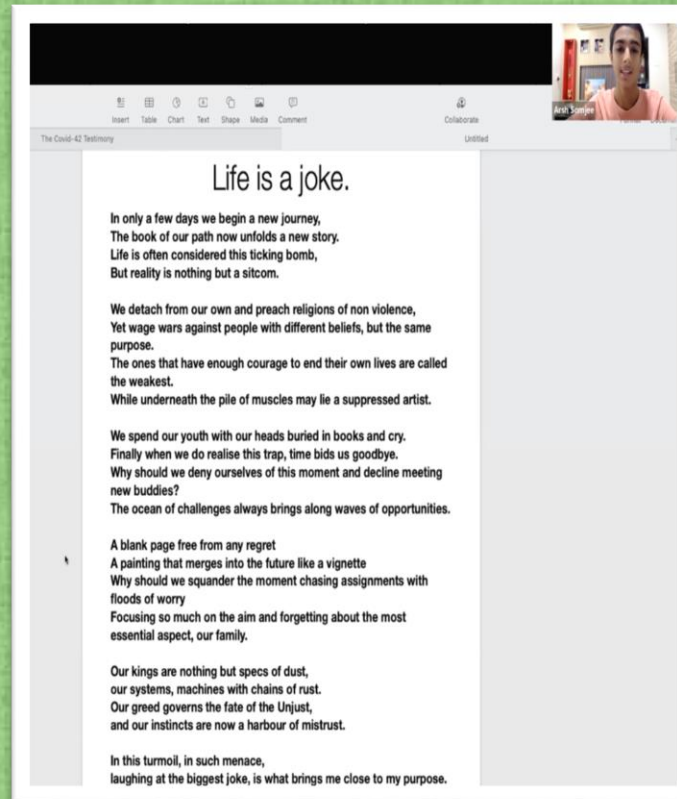


And more chromatography to string together as decoration!



- We had four corners of a room filled with decorations from the activities of each week's different theme

# DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP)



The Covid-42 Testimony

## Life is a joke.

In only a few days we begin a new journey,  
The book of our path now unfolds a new story.  
Life is often considered this ticking bomb,  
But reality is nothing but a sitcom.

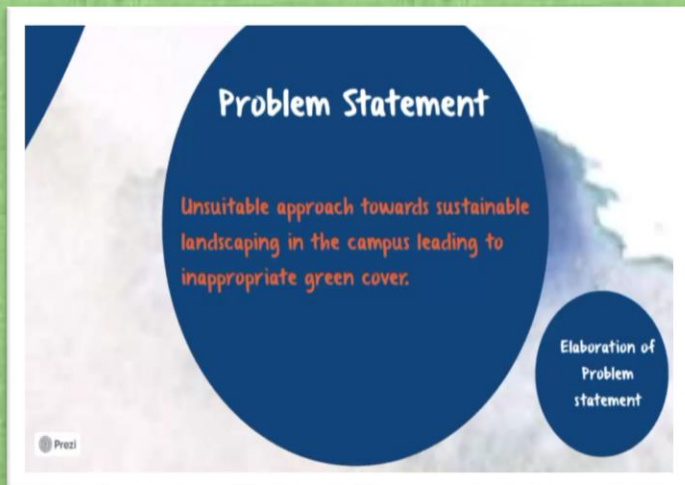
We detach from our own and preach religions of non violence,  
Yet wage wars against people with different beliefs, but the same purpose.  
The ones that have enough courage to end their own lives are called the weakest.  
While underneath the pile of muscles may lie a suppressed artist.

We spend our youth with our heads buried in books and cry.  
Finally when we do realise this trap, time bids us goodbye.  
Why should we deny ourselves of this moment and decline meeting new buddies?  
The ocean of challenges always brings along waves of opportunities.

A blank page free from any regret  
A painting that merges into the future like a vignette  
Why should we squander the moment chasing assignments with floods of worry  
Focusing so much on the aim and forgetting about the most essential aspect, our family.

Our kings are nothing but specs of dust,  
our systems, machines with chains of rust.  
Our greed governs the fate of the Unjust,  
and our instincts are now a harbour of mistrust.

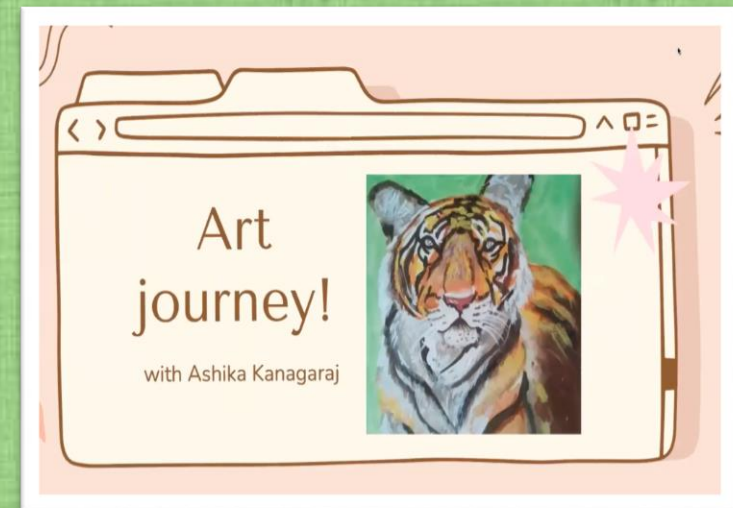
In this turmoil, in such menace,  
laughing at the biggest joke, is what brings me close to my purpose.



## Problem Statement


Unsuitable approach towards sustainable landscaping in the campus leading to inappropriate green cover.

Elaboration of Problem statement



## Art journey!

with Ashika Kanagaraj



# DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP)

## CURRICULUM ROAD MAP DAY

It was a pleasure to meet the Grade 11 students and parents on campus for the Curriculum Road Map Day held on 30th July 2022. The parents were apprised on the Collaborative Learning Model, Design Thinking Process, I Lead Cup and switching to Toddle.

The Vice Principal, Dr Namita Agrawal introduced the IBCP program. The Head of School, Ms Anindita Singh spoke about the concept of holistic education at Indus. The DP curriculum framework, subject groups and assessments were shared by Ms Anupriya Dhooli. The Career Counselling team discussed the Roadmap to college with the parents which led to an intriguing Q&A round towards the end.

Mr Mahesh Balakrishnan, an IBO member was the chief guest who oriented the parents about the IBCP and held one-on-one sessions with the parents and students. The WACP (World Academy of Career Programmes) team led by Ms Sneha and Mr Balakrishnan spoke about Business Administration as a career choice.

The CRM Day was full of information, guidance and timelines for the students and parents of Grade 11.



# DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP)

## International Baccalaureate Career Related Programme (IBCP)

In the age of exponential globalization, there is a need for students to be ahead of their time. To succeed in such a challenging environment, they need a form of education that promotes learning through skills, values and attitudes along with the knowledge of the subject. We at IISP believe in delivering the best and most relevant programmes to our students. We introduced and provided a detailed orientation about the IB Career-related Programme to our students of Grades 10 and 11 on the Curriculum Roadmap Day held on Saturday, 30th July 2022.

IBCP and Indus International School Pune (IISP) offers a jumpstart to students who have chosen Business Administration as their career pathway. The IBCP session began by the Vice Principal's address throwing some light on the highlights of the IBCP and showcasing its similarities and differences with the IBDP. This was followed by a presentation by the World Academy of Career Programmes on the detailed Curriculum of the Business Administration Career-related Study. They emphasized on experiential learning and real-life engagement in professional communities as a part of the IBCP Curriculum. The IBCP Curriculum includes extensive Internships and Capstone projects which enable the student to understand the flavour of their future professional lives.

The guest speaker for the day, Mr Mahesh Balakrishnan, IB Development and Recognition Manager, graciously informed the interested parents about the future of the programme globally and in India.



# DIPLOMA PROGRAMME (IBDP)

## Indus School Leadership (ISL) Camp of Grade 12-Batch 1

The first batch of Grade 12 students attended the ISL camp from 26th to 29th July. Students were successfully engaged in various activities related to wellness, a team of teams, adaptability and climate change as a part of their leadership training.

The students were able to evolve as leaders on leadership disposition like goal setting, inspired vision, challenge the process etc.

Leadership development programs are designed in-house by expert trainers who are certified by ACCT, Project Adventure, and ICF who are pioneers in experiential learning and coaching. These educational leadership programs are custom designed as per the training needs analysis. The programs are meticulously constructed training programs for young minds.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

1<sup>st</sup> Aug – School commences for all students  
4<sup>th</sup> Aug to 8<sup>th</sup> Aug – Leadership Camp (DP2 B2)  
13<sup>th</sup> Aug - MUN Workshop – (PYP5, MYP & DP)  
15<sup>th</sup> Aug – Independence Day Celebrations  
16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> Aug – Sensitization Week (PYP)  
22<sup>nd</sup> Aug – Indus College Fair  
                    Coffee Morning (DP2)  
23<sup>rd</sup> Aug - Coffee Morning (PYP2, MYP5)  
24<sup>th</sup> Aug - Coffee Morning (PYP3, MYP1)

25<sup>th</sup> Aug - Coffee Morning (PYP4, MYP2)  
                    PYP Book tasting  
26<sup>th</sup> Aug - Coffee Morning (PYP5, MYP3)  
                    PYP Book tasting  
29<sup>th</sup> Aug - Coffee Morning (DP1, MYP4)  
                    Art Challenge (PYP)  
30<sup>th</sup> Aug – Mufti Day (PYP)  
31<sup>st</sup> Aug – Holiday (Ganesh Chaturthi)

Thanks and warm regards

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