August 19, 2019

Dear Parents,

We have now reached Term 3 which will be another exciting and challenging term for the children. We also welcome Miss Kim Burns who will be a new member of the Year 6 Team. The PYP Exhibition is the first milestone to the end of their PYP journey. The exhibition gives the students a chance to show what they have learnt about the PYP.

The PYP Exhibition enables the student to develop their risk-taking skills by:

* Communicating with a variety of people connected to their line of inquiry
* Following-up on their idea for their action and completing the action component
* Presenting their work to other schools(Le Bocage), family and the local community

Risk-taking is not to be taken lightly! Our children will be very familiar with this attribute by the time they complete their PYP Exhibition presentation. They have had plenty of practice in the time they have been at Clavis, but nothing prepares students for the full effect of risk-taking like the Exhibition presentation.

According to IB, we are risk takers when “we approach uncertainty with forethought and determination; we work independently and cooperatively to explore new ideas and innovative strategies. We are resourceful and resilient in the face of challenges and change.”

During the next seven weeks, the children will be inquiring into issues such as gender inequality, social media, education, identity, healthy living and many more. We will keep you updated about their progress every fortnight.

This week, the groups will come up with their essential agreements, which is a set of rules on how they are going to work together. They think about the issue they have chosen, the related concepts and the key questions on which they wish to base their research. They will finally come up with their central idea and their lines of inquiry. Their mentor will be meeting them at least three times during the week to assist them.

Afterwards, it will be the time to plan their inquiry. They will write down where they are going to find their information. The inquiry will begin by first looking at primary sources- research articles, books, diaries, reports, interviews and secondary sources that will be mostly from the internet. They will have at least three weekly meetings with their mentor. They will also have a journal where they will reflect every day.

Please note that we will not be sending any homework home but the children will devise their own. Do not hesitate to support, encourage and listen to your child every day.

We look forward to an exciting Exhibition journey.

Please note that the deadline for admission to Le Bocage in 2020 is end of August. Applications need to be turned in by this date as afterwards places are offered to applicants from other schools on the island.

Cheers,

Year 6 Team