A-JIS Programme of Inquiry (Year A)

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K5 & Grade 1	An inquiry into the nature of self.Related concepts: InterpretationCentral idea We can interpret our environment through our senses.Key concepts: Connection PerspectiveLines of inquiry: • How we use our senses • How our senses inform our choices • Different perspectivesTransdisciplinary skills: Communication skillsLearner Profile: Communicator Open-mindedAttitudes: Appreciation Curiosity Creativity	An inquiry into the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives. Related concepts: Perspective Central idea Different perspectives over time may influence change. Key concepts: Change Causation Lines of inquiry: • How different perspectives change over time • Causes of different perspectives over time • How different perspectives are connected to the changes in our lives Transdisciplinary skills: Communication skills Learner Profile: Open-minded Inquirer Attitudes: Confidence Tolerance	An inquiry into the ways in which we express ideas and reflect on our creativity. Related concepts: Expression Central idea Feelings can be expressed in many ways. Key concepts: Change Perspective Lines of inquiry: • Our modes of communication • Feelings that colours can convey • How we respond to different colours Transdisciplinary skills: Communication skills Thinking skills Learner Profile: Communicator Risk-taker Attitudes: Empathy	An inquiry into how humans use their understanding of scientific principles, the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and the environment.Related concepts: ImpactCentral idea Light comes from different sources and is used in different ways.Key concepts: Form FunctionLines of inquiry: • Different sources of light • What light can do and the way we use it • How we respond to lightTransdisciplinary skills: Research skills Thinking SkillsLearner Profile: Knowledgeable ThinkerAttitudes: Creativity Curiosity	An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human made systems. Related concepts: Systems Central idea People create and use different to of systems to help regulate their Key concepts: Form Function Lines of inquiry: • The kinds of systems we • How different parts of a system work together • Systems that we use to organise ourselves Transdisciplinary skills: Research skills Thinking skills Learner Profile: Communicator Thinker Attitudes: Cooperation Independence
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Grade 2 & 3	An inquiry into the nature of self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health. Related concepts: Choices and Well-being Central idea Lifestyle choices that people make can affect their health. Key concepts: Responsibility Change Reflection Lines of inquiry: • Making balanced choices • Causes and effects of our choices • What it means to be healthy Transdisciplinary skills: Communication skills Social skills Self management Learner Profile: Knowledgeable Balanced Reflective	An inquiry into orientation in place and time. Related concepts: Exploration Central idea Exploration helps people make sense of where they are in the world. Key concepts: Connection Function Lines of inquiry: • The use of tools for exploration • Where we are in relation to others • How exploration has helped people over time develop a better understanding of where they are in the world Transdisciplinary skills: Research skills Self-management skills Learner Profile: Knowledgeable Risk-taker Attitudes: Confidence	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. Related concepts: Expression and Creativity Central idea People's uniqueness can be expressed through the arts. Key concepts: Form Perspective Lines of inquiry: • Elements of visual art • How everyone can express their uniqueness through the arts • Backgrounds and experiences influence art Transdisciplinary skills: Communication skills Thinking skills	An inquiry into the natural world and its laws. Related concepts: Change and Structure Central idea Knowing about the Earth's structure helps people to understand the continual changes of the Earth. Key concepts: Form Change Lines of inquiry: • The structure of the Earth • How the Earth has changed • The continuing changing nature of the Earth Transdisciplinary skills: Research skills Thinking skills Learner Profile: Knowledgeable Inquirer Attitudes: Curiosity	An inquiry into human made systems, societal decision making and their impact on humankind. Related concepts: Cooperation Central idea People share responsibilities for a common purpose. Key concepts: Responsibility Connection Lines of inquiry: • Different roles people have in a workplace • Interconnectedness of people in a workplace • The key to effective • The key to effective teamwork Communication skills Social skills Learner Profile: Communicator Open-minded Balanced	An inquiry into the rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other living things. Related concepts: Consequences and Survival Central idea Human activities may affect the survival of living things. Key concepts: Causation Responsibility Lines of inquiry: • Causes of endangerment • What living things need to survive • How people can help species to survive • How people can help species to survive

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	Central idea Changes people experience at different stages of their lives affect their evolving sense of self.	Transformation and Adaptation Central idea Past civilizations shape present day systems and technologies.	Power, Communication and Education Central Idea Attention gaining strategies can be	Related concepts: Innovation Central Idea The application of scientific knowledge can support innovation.	Related concepts: Rights Central Idea	Related concepts: Interdependence Central Idea Living and non-living things in an
	Key concepts : Causation Change	Key concepts : Change Perspective	used to affect behavioural change. Key Concepts: Function	Key Concepts: Form	Societal decision making can support or deny access to children's rights and equal opportunities.	ecosystem are interconnected and impact each other. Key Concepts:
	 Lines of inquiry: The social, emotional, and geographic changes that occur throughout life How we develop our personal values and beliefs How people represent themselves to the outside world 	 Lines of inquiry Aspects of past civilizations that have survived Reasons these systems and technologies developed Why modern societies continue to use adaptations of these systems and technologies Implications for the future 	Reflection Perspective Line of Inquiry: • How different techniques work for achieving the purpose • Behaviour can be modified by applying deliberate strategies	 The design process and the scientific method How current research aids innovation 	Key Concepts Perspective Responsibility Lines of Inquiry The rights and opportunities available to children and understanding the purpose of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child	Form Connection Causation Lines of Inquiry: • Components of an ecosystem • Interactions within an ecosystem • Human effects on an ecosystem
	Transdisciplinary skills: Social skills Self-management skills Learner Profile:	Transdisciplinary skills: Communication skills Social skills Thinking skills	 Different techniques can be used to convey the social concerns of that time Transdisciplinary skills: Communication skills 	 How innovators use prior knowledge Transdisciplinary skills: Research skills Thinking skills 	 Rights versus responsibilities of various communities of the world Ways in which individuals, organizations and nations work to help children 	Transdisciplinary skills: Self management skills Research skills
	Risk-taker Reflective	Research skills Learner Profile:	Thinking skills Learner Profile:	Thinking skills	Transdisciplinary skills: Communication skills	Learner Profile: Knowledgeable

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K5 & Grade 1	 An inquiry into human relationships including cultures. Related concepts: Diversity and Traditions Central idea People around the world live in similar and different ways. Key concepts: Connection Lines of inquiry: Places in the world people live Things people do in different parts of the world How the things that we do and the places where we live are the same and different to other people Transdisciplinary skills: Research skills Social skills 	An inquiry into the orientation in place and time; migrations of humankind.Related concepts: AdaptationCentral idea People migrate for different reasons.Key concepts: Form Causation ChangeLines of inquiry • Urban and rural communities • The reasons people move • How where we live can change overtimeTransdisciplinary skills: Self-management skills Thinking skillsLearner Profile: Open-minded	An inquiry into the ways we express and enjoy our creativity. Related concepts: Communication and Impact Central idea Rhythmic sounds can be used to communicate. Key concepts: Causation Perspective Lines of inquiry • How sound is made • How we can make rhythm • How emotions can be communicated through rhythmic sounds Transdisciplinary skills: Communication skills Self-management skills	An inquiry into how humans use their understanding of scientific principles. Related concepts: Transformation Central idea Solids, liquids and gases can be manipulated and changed for different purposes. Key concepts: Change Form Lines of inquiry: • 3 states of matter • How the states change • What benefits these changes can have Transdisciplinary skills: Research skills Self-management skills Learner Profile: Principled Risk-taker	An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities; societal decision-making. Related concepts: Systems Central idea Time can be measured and affect the choices we make. Key concepts: Function Causation Lines of inquiry • How we measure time b on the sun • The importance of meas time • How we organise oursel based on time Transdisciplinary skills Thinking skills Research skills Self-management skills
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	Reflection Perspective Lines of inquiry: • Reflecting on the way people behave • How people's actions are perceived • Reflecting on our own beliefs as a result of others	Change Connection Lines of inquiry • The motivations that drive exploration • The impact of innovation • The results of exploration Transdisciplinary skills: Research skills Thinking skills Self-management skills	Connection Form Lines of inquiry • Different kinds of performances • Elements of performances • Roles in performances Transdisciplinary skills: Social skills Communication skills Learner Profile:	Key concepts: Causation Function Lines of inquiry • The different types of simple machines • How simple machines work • How simple machines affect people's lives Transdisciplinary skills:	 Key concepts: Form Connection Lines of inquiry Elements of signs and symbols How signs and symbols are parts of systems The advantages of using signs and symbols Transdisciplinary skills: Thinking skills 	Key concepts: Function Responsibility Lines of inquiry • How water is used • Distribution and availability of usable water • Responsibilities regarding water Transdisciplinary skills:
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	Central idea Puberty causes changes as we grow and develop. Key concepts:	Honor and Character Central idea Countries have their own unique history and cultural identity.	Conflict, Diversity and Identity Central Idea People live in communities with multiple religions.	Central Idea Materials have features that affect how they are used. Key Concepts	Central Idea Government are structured in different ways.	Central Idea Energy comes from different sources and is transferred for effective use.
	Function Causation	Key concepts:	Key Concepts	Form Causation	Key Concepts Form	Key Concepts Connection
	 Lines of inquiry How we deal with the changes Rites of passage across cultures What causes changes Transdisciplinary skills: Self-management skills Thinking skills Social skills 	 Connection Responsibility Lines of inquiry: The unique traditions and cultural artifacts of our host country How cultural identity is shaped by history Our responsibility towards honouring cultural identity 	Perspective Connection Line of Inquiry • How religion influences personal behavior • Different religious responses to life events • Managing differences in religious practices Transdisciplinary skills:	 Lines of Inquiry The specific properties of certain materials Rationale of using certain materials The use of materials to aid society survive in extreme environmental conditions Transdisciplinary skills: 	 Perspective Responsibility Lines of Inquiry Types of government How governments are shaped and developed What makes a government successful Responsibilities of participants in a government system 	Form Lines of Inquiry Sources of energy System people use to access energy Impacts of energy use Effective use of energy Transdisciplinary skills: Social skills
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