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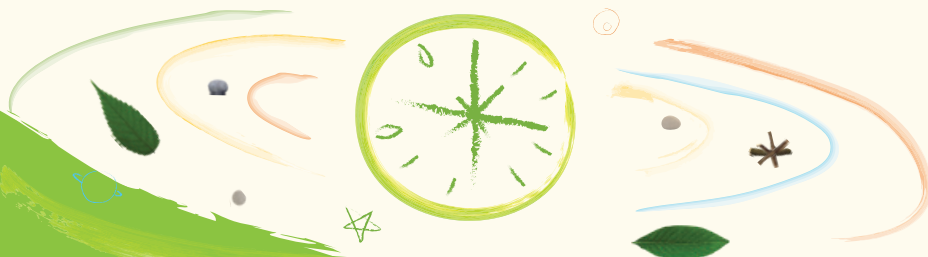


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DEAR PARENTS AND ESTEEMED MEMBERS OF THE LITTLE EM'S LEARNING COMMUNITY,



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As we embark on the third issue of our IB PYP Newsletter, we extend our heartfelt appreciation for your unwavering interest and support. Your companionship on our educational journey is truly invaluable. In this edition, we have some exciting updates to share.

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CONSULTATION VISIT

HIGHLIGHTS

We are delighted to report that in early October, Little Em's had the privilege of hosting a remote Consultation Visit with Ms. Richel, our school's dedicated IB Consultant. Her feedback is inspiring, affirming the dedication and enthusiasm of our school community. Some key points from her observations include:

- Our commitment to the IB PYP philosophy is evident, with a strong understanding of how it aligns with the school's Compass of Purpose.
- The promotion of IB learner profiles within our classrooms is commendable, fostering a deep understanding among students and teachers.
- Our dedication to an inquiry-based teaching approach is notable. We encourage hands-on learning experiences and real-life contexts, although there's room to engage parents and staff more in learning projects.
- Our school offers a creative and dynamic learning environment, with access to various spaces that enrich the learning experience.
- Teachers have access to ample resources and exhibit effective inquiry-based teaching, adapting to students' abilities.
- Collaboration sessions among grade levels are regular, enhancing our educational approach.
- We embrace a multilingual environment, using both Vietnamese and English.
- Inclusivity is a priority, with dedicated Special Rights (SR) programs in every class, ensuring every student's unique needs are met.
- Teachers skillfully employ various tools, strategies, and open-ended questions to understand students' prior knowledge.

Areas for improvement include enhancing communication of policies with the school community, reviewing and refining our Program of Inquiry (POI), ensuring all teachers receive basic training from IB, and encouraging students to reflect on their learning, among other considerations.

The official report by the Consultant will be available in eight weeks, and in the meantime, we are diligently working on finalizing our policies, POI, and teacher training. Our school remains in the consultation phase, continuing to collaborate with the Consultant until the Verification Visit, set for the first quarter of 2024.



GRATITUDE TO PARENTS AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

We wish to express our profound gratitude to the two parents of The Waves class - Ms. Hương, and of The Kaleidoscope class - Ms. Hạnh, who graciously participated in meetings with the IB Consultant. Your valuable time and dedicated feedback have contributed significantly to the enhancement of our school. Your insights are noted with appreciation.

We also sincerely thank the entire Little Em's community, including our dedicated teachers, staff, and parents. Your collective efforts have played a vital role in the success of the Consultation Visit and the effective implementation of the PYP in our classrooms.

As we anticipate the Verification phase in the first quarter of 2024, where Little Em's aims to attain recognition as an official IB World School, our shared commitment to the IB PYP remains steadfast. Together, we've nurtured inquisitive minds, critical thinking, and creative exploration, preparing our students to embrace a future brimming with curiosity and compassion.

IB LEARNER PROFILE OF THE MONTH

"CARING"



With a genuine spirit of inquiry and the ability to think critically, our students are developing into well-rounded individuals who also embody a deep sense of "Caring." This month, we spotlight the "Caring" – one of the 10 IB learner profiles.

“SOMETIMES IT TAKES ONLY ONE ACT OF
KINDNESS AND CARING TO CHANGE A PERSON'S LIFE.

-JACKIE CHAN-

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Caring students want people around them to be happy, and they are sensitive to others' needs. They think about the world and work to care for their community and the environment. They remember to treat others how they would like to be treated.

Children possess a natural inclination towards love and compassion. Yet, they also benefit from the guidance and support necessary to channel these instincts effectively, towards themselves, their loved ones, and the broader world.



NURTURING THE CARING LEARNER IN YOUR CHILD

Be a Caring Role Model:

- Show caring behavior to your child as they learn by example.
- Use kind words and actions to demonstrate caring.
- Simple acts like holding doors or smiling show you care about others.
- Care and share without discrimination based on people's jobs, ethnicity, or abilities.

Praise and Reward Good Behavior:

- Reward your child for their good deeds, motivating them to continue.
- Rewards can be a special treat, a fun activity, a favorite dish, or simply words of encouragement: "You did it well," "I saw how hard you tried," or "I'm proud of you."

Show Love Despite Misbehavior:

- Display love even when your child misbehaves. Address the misbehavior, but not the person they are.
- Use such moments, with a compassionate and constructive approach, to explain and guide them to better behavior.

Caring for Pets and Nature:

- Teach children to care for animals and nature.
- Involving them in these activities fosters love for the environment.

Community Involvement:

- Encourage children to perform selfless acts.
- Volunteer together to help those in need and teach the value of kindness.

Environmental Responsibility:

- Promote reducing, reusing, and recycling in your home.
- Instill a sense of environmental care in your child for the future of themselves and the world.

Discuss Kindness in Stories:

- After reading a book, discuss how characters displayed caring behavior.
- Encourage children to think about the importance of kindness.



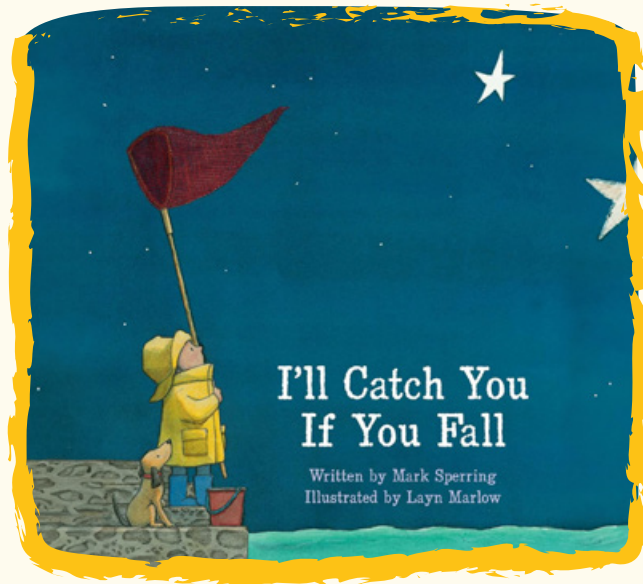
BOOKLIST TO HELP DEVELOP CARING LEARNERS



The Giving Tree – Cây Táo Yêu Thương, by Shel Silverstein

"Once there was a tree...and she loved a little boy." So begins a story of unforgettable perception, beautifully written and illustrated by the gifted and versatile Shel Silverstein. This moving parable for all ages offers a touching interpretation of the gift of giving and a serene acceptance of another's capacity to love in return.

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I'll Catch You If You Fall - Tôi Sẽ Đỡ Nếu Bạn Rơi, by Mark Sperring & Layn Marlow

Big or small, near or far, we all need someone to watch over us. This touching picture book is a reassuring tale about a journey and the people with us as we travel through life. It is for anyone who has wondered, **Who will keep me safe?** And for anyone who has answered, **I will.**

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Be A Friend, by Salina Yoon

From Geisel Honor-winning author & illustrator Salina Yoon comes a lush, heartwarming story of unbreakable friendship and celebrating what makes you unique. Dennis is an ordinary boy who expresses himself in extraordinary ways. Some children do show-and-tell. Dennis mimes his. Some children climb trees. Dennis is happy to be a tree... But being a mime can be lonely. It isn't until Dennis meets a girl named Joy that he discovers the power of friendship - and how special he truly is!

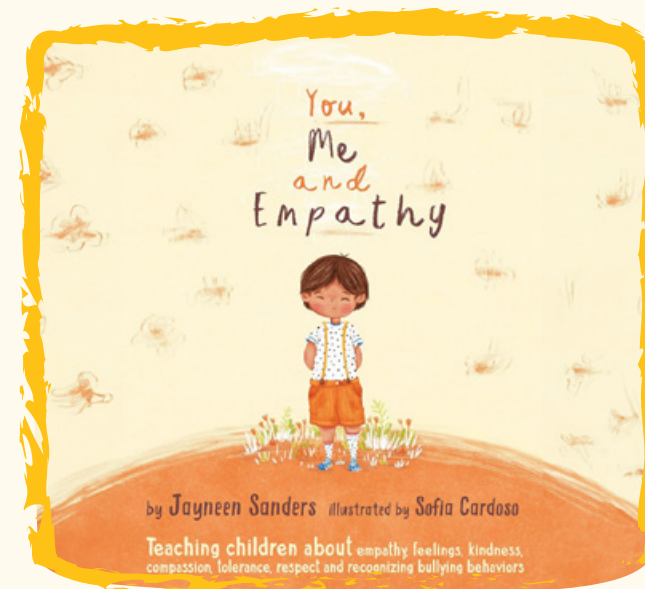
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Be Kind, by Mat Zietlow Miller

When Tanisha spills grape juice all over her new dress, her classmate wants to make her feel better, wondering: **What does it mean to be kind?**

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You, Me And Empathy - Sự Tử Tế Đẹp Như Bông Hoa, by Jayneen Sanders

This charming story uses verse, beautiful illustrations, and a little person called Quinn to model the meaning of empathy. Throughout the story, Quinn shows abundant of understanding, compassion, and kindness towards others. Showing empathy towards others is a learned trait, and one to nurture and cherish with the children in our care. Also included are Discussion Questions for parents, caregivers, and educators and suggested activities to promote empathy and kindness.

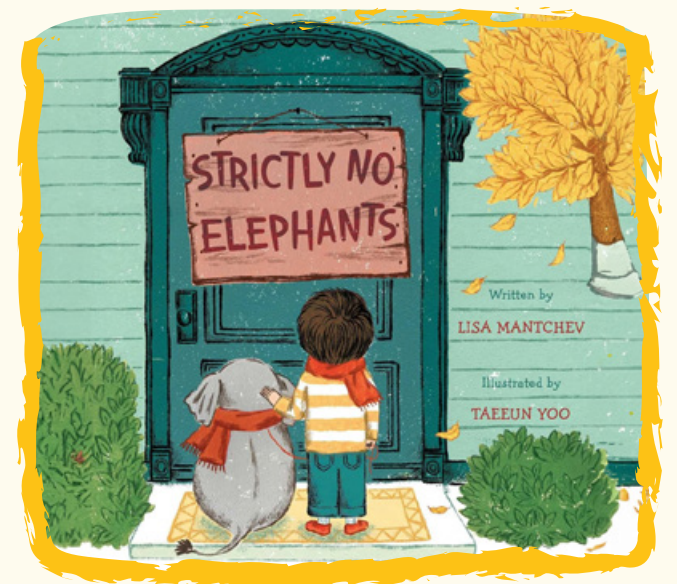
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Fleabag - Ổ Bọ Chết, by Helen Stephens

Fleabag tells the story of a small, nameless, and homeless dog. Then, one day, he meets a boy named Bob, and his life changes completely. The lesson of friendship and universal love is conveyed gently and easily through simple details. This is a touching story of compassion, the bond between humans and animals, nurturing in children innocent yet sincere feelings.

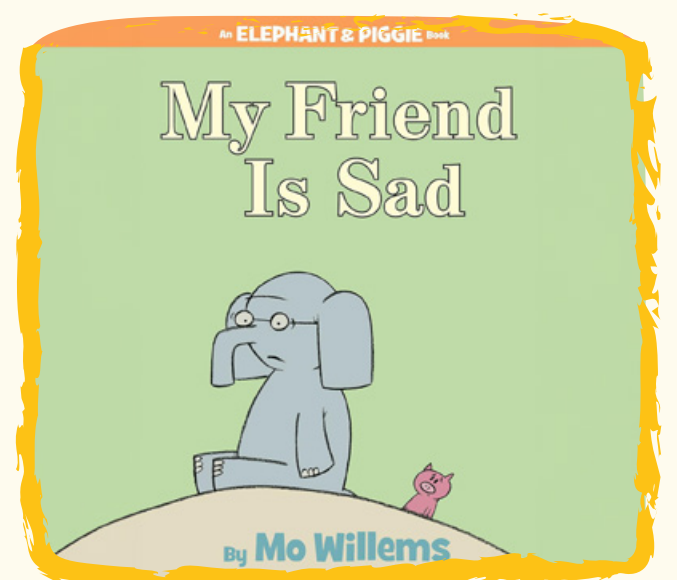
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Strictly No Elephants - Tuyệt Đối Cấm Voi, by Lisa Mantchev

Today is Pet Club Day. There will be cats, dogs, and fish, but strictly no elephants are allowed. The Pet Club doesn't understand that pets come in all shapes and sizes, just like friends. Now, it is time for a boy and his tiny pet elephant to show them what it means to be a true friend.

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My Friend Is Sad, An Elephant and Piggie Book – Voi và Lợn, Bạn Tớ Đang Buồn, by Mo Willems

This is a multi-volume picture book series by Mo Willems, a renowned American children's book author, and illustrator with several Caldecott Honor books. Piggie notices Gerald is very sad, and Piggie tries every way to make Gerald happy again: pretending to be a cowboy, a clown, or a robot. Will Piggie's efforts succeed? And why is Gerald so sad? The answers will be in this super adorable story.

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