



## BEYOND 2021

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**BEYOND 2021**, is a public event at BIS, marking the culmination of the three-month long journey that Grade 11 students undertook since January 2021, in creating their TOK exhibition and writing a commentary, which is a new internally assessed IB component. The purpose of BEYOND 2021 is to take the understanding of how TOK concepts manifest in everyday objects, which surround us, to the wider learning community and celebrate learning outside the IBDP classroom.



At the outset, each student selected one out of 35 IA prompts (knowledge questions) listed by the IB and identified 3 objects, physical or digital, that connect to their chosen prompt, explored the specific real world context of the objects and came up with critical justifications linking the objects to the IA prompt. They explored what their chosen objects reveal about the nature of knowledge – how it is produced, shared, validated and enriched by different perspectives. They delved in to understand how knowledge is shaped by the cultural context and influenced by the gatekeepers of knowledge, what separates knowledge from opinion or belief and what the ethical considerations in production of knowledge are. BEYOND 2021 provides students the platform to showcase and exhibit their objects to an audience and engage in thought-stimulating discussions on these.



We saw enthusiastic and proactive participation of the IBDP Student Council in ideation and execution of the event promotion through creation of thought-provoking posters, a video and a brochure. Students have curated group presentations, comprising one object exhibit per student, based on the following broad themes about knowledge: Context Matters; My Knowledge, Our Knowledge; Experts and Us; Reliability and Bias; Values, Beliefs and Obligations. Grade 11 students and TOK teachers, who guided them through this process, are eagerly looking forward to meeting you at BEYOND 2021!!

