Greetings PYP Coordinators! This is our first newsletter that I hope you find serves as a helpful resource and provides a greater connection to IBMA. Please share your feedback, as well as suggestions for items to include in future editions.

- Shannon Quinn Vice President for the PYP IBMA

SEPTEMBER MEETING

IBMA hosted the first coordinators meeting of the 2023-2023 academic year September 22 at IB’s new headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Here is a link to the presentation from Laura Lane and Jonathan Bradley. In the PYP Breakout coordinators had an opportunity to network and engage in a SWOT analysis of their programmes.

IB PYP eNewsletter

The IB sent out their eNewsletter on September 28, focusing predominately on the Subject Guidance Review update. Schools are currently piloting the shortened theme descriptors. Feedback and publication are slated to take place in 2024, with implementation scheduled to happen in 2025.

IB has launched a new free online #learning resource which focuses on action research. Explore the key features of action research and its impact through the lens of other school #leaders who have benefitted from this process. View the resource>> https://bit.ly/3ZtYp8T
Networking Sessions
We are in need of schools to host networking sessions. If you are interested please reach out to Shannon Quinn (shannon.quinn@apsva.us) to book a session today!

Presenters receive an honorarium ($200 up to 120 minutes; $400 up to 4 hours) for presenting and schools are reimbursed food costs up to $15 per attendee.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
Transdisciplinarity: Integrating Literacy with the PYP
will be held at Monarch Global Academy in Laurel, MD, on Wed. Feb. 28, 2024 from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm.

To register please visit the IBMA website: https://www.ibmidatlantic.org/Networking.html

Thanks to Beth Matthews for hosting and facilitating. Please register by Feb. 23

CALLING ALL NEW COORDINATORS
If you are a new coordinator, I am hosting quarterly check-ins. This is an informal session. The first check-in will be Thursday, November 30th from 3:30pm - 4:00pm virtually.

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device
Click here to join the meeting
Meeting ID: 281 000 089 433
Passcode: hEo63y

NEW RESOURCE
IBMA is setting up a new resource sharing platform.
If you have a resource you would like to share, click on the link here to submit.
From ideas, to templates, share the great things working at your school.