



HERMANN OBERTH INTERNATIONAL GERMAN SCHOOL

Parents' newsletter

Updates on school developments



INTERNATIONAL MINDEDNESS:

What is it?
What do we
need it for?
How do we
promote it?

Hermann Oberth International German School is a **candidate school*** for the **Diploma Programme**. This school is pursuing authorization as an IB World School. IB World Schools share a common philosophy - a commitment to high-quality, challenging, international education - that we believe is important for our students.

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DEVELOPING INTERNATIONAL-MINDEDNESS IN SCHOOL

What is international-mindedness?

First and foremost, being internationally minded means being willing to accept someone different, and willingness comes with experience, experience of new cultures, new places, new people, new beliefs, new cultures, new habits and, of course, new foods!

Getting to know others that are different, and their lifestyle, is a first step to raising young people able to promote understanding, respect, and tolerance, in a world increasingly connected.

Source: Müller, Chris. "10 Ways to Promote International-Mindedness." The IB Community Blog, 30 Jan. 2007, blogs.ibo.org/blog/2017/01/30/10-ways-to-promote-international-mindedness/#:~:text=International%2Dmindedness%20is%20a%20view.the%20complexity%20of%20these%20relationships.

What do we need it for, really?

Far from being a fad, international-mindedness allows for the building of a harmonious world, where collaboration is key to development, whether personal, economical, cultural or political.

How do we promote international-mindedness in school?

When considering opportunities to promote global thinking, the sky is the limit. From encouraging multiculturalism and multilingualism in class, devising activities to value differences in cultures, trips, show-and-tell, and food fest, literature and alike. Culture being all around us, so are opportunities to promote it.

