As an essential member of your child’s learning community, you play an important role helping them take their learning deeper. Here are 5 simple ways you can support your child’s learning at home. Whether it is the more formal learning connected to their schooling, or the incidental, unplanned learning through play, exploration and life experience; these 5 strategies will help you, help your child become a lifelong learner.

5 ways you could support your child as a PYP parent

MEET A QUESTION WITH A QUESTION
How could you find that out?

BE PREPARED TO INQUIRE TOGETHER
Let’s figure it out together!

ASK AN OPEN-ENDED QUESTION
What do you notice?

BE A LEARNER
Here is how I’m going to find out

Take an inquiry stance

Prioritise reflection

Support conceptual understanding

VALUE PROCESS
How did you do that?
Why did you do that?
What strategy did you use?

HARNESS THE POWER OF KEY CONCEPTS
What does it look like? [Form] *Turn page for key concepts*

Give feedback that goes beyond the moment

INVITE AND INVOLVE THEIR VOICE
Let them express themselves

SUPPORT THEIR CHOICES
What choice are you making for yourself as a learner?

EMPHASISE OWNERSHIP
You’re in the driver’s seat

Support your child’s agency

GIVE SPECIFIC FEEDBACK ON THE PROCESS
I like how you did… What might you try doing next?

TEACH THE LEARNER, NOT THE LEARNING
Move from asking How are you doing? to Where to next?

GET THEM THINKING ABOUT THEIR THINKING
How do you know?
What makes you think that?
Is there another way that you could do that?
What did you find easy or challenging? Why?

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