What's happening in MYP classrooms?

Year 8 (3) English:

Unit Question: ‘Are you for real?’
Human Ingenuity: Appearance & Reality

Incessant screaming, floods of tears & young girls parading around wearing makeup, false eyelashes, spray tans, big hair and high heels – Friday Night at the School Social? No… try Year 8 English at Loreto College, where students explored the bizarre and controversial world of child beauty pageants. In groups, students were required to persuasively argue whether the reality show, 'Toddlers & Tiaras,' should be banned from Australian television. The students were given a choice regarding what audience they wanted to pitch their convincing, well-considered argument to. Presentations were passionately delivered in a ‘panel style’, live TV Pitch. The goal? To captivate and effectively persuade the audience, arguing whether 'Toddlers & Tiaras' is a positive Reality TV show, whilst considering the implications and values of this show, as well as each other’s and their own. So… are our kids for real? You better believe it.

‘I have enjoyed this unit because we were offered lots of freedom of choice to explore an issue that is both fun and relevant to us and our generation.’ -

‘I have learnt that people have different views or opinions about certain issues and we should try to understand and respect them, regardless of our own judgement.’ – Alice Taylor

‘I have loved being able to use skills from other areas, like Drama & Debating, in our English lessons. I have also enjoyed being able to work collaboratively and draw on information we already had beforehand, as well as deepen this knowledge with our research.’ - Anna Foley
Trying to extract the quill and beak without damaging the ink sac was a good challenge. I enjoyed dissecting the eyeball to find the lens. – Zara
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