



Calcutta International School Primary and Junior School



Living value of the month

UNITY



Unity means to stay together and work together peacefully and patiently. A good example of unity is our family. We live in a family where each member is different from the other. They have their likes and dislikes, their own weaknesses and strengths. In spite of their differences, they stay together lovingly and patiently. In times of trouble or sickness we take care of each other. **This is Unity.** The more we use love, peace, cooperation and patience the more we can stay united. In order to experience and practice unity in the classroom, the children of the primary department were introduced to stories, songs and group activities. **The objective was to learn to work in harmony, having a shared goal, making big tasks easy and having fun.** This helped them to define the value of unity. The Nursery children presented a beautiful song for the assembly on Unity.



For the value "Cooperation" the Pre Nursery children put up a spectacular play 'Aneka mein ekta'. This performance carried the message, "If we work together we can achieve bigger goals."

DIWALI



Through the gentle strokes of the paint brush, the little hands created magic with the vibrant colours. The children of the primary department used their creativity and imagination to make beautiful Rangoli designs on the corridors. Upper Nursery children dressed in festive clothes to celebrate Diwali. Diyas were decorated around the classroom. Sweet and delicious ladoos, jalebis and barfis were savoured with joy!

Halloween Day Fun



Children dressed in their best to scare the rest!!! Beware of the Ghosts and Ghouls of the Primary Department.

CHILDREN'S DAY



The much awaited day of the year, Children's Day was celebrated on the 14th November with a lot of excitement! There were many surprises in store... could you ask for more! The teachers were replaced by various story characters who put up an entertaining play for the children. **Pied piper, Cinderella, Prince Charming, Rapunzel, Thumbelina, Snow White, Little Mermaid, Jasmine, Alladin, Jack the Pirate** and the **Witch** were all present in CIS!



Pop, pop, pop pop, pop! goes the popcorn. Yummy treats on Children's Day

One Nation Reading

Reading takes you places and opens the treasure house of knowledge. The importance of reading books and the 'power of words' to express ourselves was shared with the children through the pledge. The primary children willingly and happily took part in the 'One Nation Reading' time with the rest of the school. The teachers guided them to choose books and read with them.



Pre Nursery
gets on the noisy little Puffer train
Chug chug chugging along!



car, cat, cow, carrot, cucumber....
Learning phonics the fun way!



The Nursery children experienced
an active volcano in class!



The experiment was conducted by the teachers who made a miniature model of a volcano. Baking soda, vinegar and liquid soap was mixed to make the volcano erupt. There was a lot of excitement to see the 'lava' flowing out virtually all over the table.

The Parachute Activity



Children exhibiting their fine motor skills in manoeuvring a parachute in different directions - left and right, up and down, slow and fast. They stood in a circle and held the parachute from the edges. This was a spectacular outdoor activity.

VIPs of the Week and their Mothers

A mother is a child's first love and role model. The new VIP's of the month shared memorable moments with their mothers in Upper Nursery A. These enthusiastic, talented and hardworking moms conducted enjoyable activities for the children both indoors and outdoors.



Learning to make a pirate using a simple craft technique.



Ahoy!! We are dressed as pirates and are going on a treasure hunt. Oh Look!! at the wonderful treasures we have found in our very own school garden!!



An ophthalmologist mother patiently explains the children how to take care of their precious eyes by following some basic and important steps.



An entertaining activity was done in class. Everyone was dressed like chicks and did the famous chicken dance. The children were treated to different snacks beginning with the 'ch' sound - chips, chocolate, cheese, chowmein and sandwiches.



The children of Upper Nursery B learn more about the materials they use in their daily lives - paper, rubber, plastic, wood, leather, cotton, metal, glass etc.

Education is LEARNING what you didn't even know you didn't know.

October- November has been a month full of activities, fun and frolic



The students of class 1 made beautiful diyas and colourful rangoli to celebrate Diwali.



TRICK OR TREAT!

The children came dressed as ghosts and witches on Halloween Day.. They went "trick or treat" to all the classes.



GOOD GROWING



Class 1 students enjoyed the nature walk around the school garden to observe different kinds of plants-herbs, shrubs, trees and climbers. They studied the different parts of a plant and learnt about their functions. The children planted mustard, green gram and chickpea seeds in small containers and they were thrilled to see them germinate. They realised the important role plants play in their lives and the need to save them.

They worked together to make a collage on plant products. The students sang along as they listened to the "Tree song" sung by Evie Karlsson.

Do log on to www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z6vFWmLXI3g and enjoy the song.



A TRAM RIDE



Class 1 went on a classic tram ride as part of an educational trip, on 21st November 2014. They were very excited during the ride as they saw places their friends had visited and talked about as part of their Social Studies holiday project. The guide in the tram was very impressed with the children's knowledge about Kolkata. They learnt a lot more about the "City of Joy" in this tour.

In every job that must be done there is an element of fun.



A Visit to the Indian Botanical Garden

The Children of class 2 went on a day trip to Acharya Jagadish Chandra Bose Indian Botanic Garden in Shibpur on Friday, 21st November 2014.

They were accompanied by Mrs. Nayar, Mrs. Ahuja and Mrs. Ray. It was a fun filled experience and the children were fascinated at the sight of The Great Banyan Tree.



Class 2 learning VERBS through an activity.





CLASS 3



On Friday, 28th November 2014 classes 3A and 3B went to Science City with Ms. Nundee and Mrs. Lal. The children revelled in the tunnel that took them through the evolution of life forms, interacted in experiments that physics so much fun and learnt about different fishes through the aquariums. The day ended with free play in the gardens

CLASS 4



Class 4 took a heritage tour to Belur Math, Jain Temple and Police Museum on 12th November.

It's all about the journey, not the outcome.... Carl Lewis



Inter House Math Quiz for Class 3 was held on 10th Nov 2014. Yellow house was the winner



Class 4 inter house Math Quiz was held on 11th Nov 2014. Red House was the winner



On the 21st of October, Elocution Competition was held in our School. Our young orators from classes 1-4 falling between the age group of 6-10 years took part in the competition. The judges for the competition were Mrs. A. Schafransk, Miss. Lakshmi Khanna, Mrs. Sushmita Ray and Mrs. Kuntala Ghosh. The competition was a great success and the judges were of the opinion that the choice of poems and the quality of the oration was better this year. They were judged on the basis of - choice of poem, voice control, stance, pronunciation and oral delivery. Our Junior School Principal Mrs. P. Nayar said that she was pleased to see the children's enthusiasm and elocution skills.

Children's Day



Teachers presented a song and a dance



Students relishing their treat

Workshop series in November 2014

PRACTICAL APPROACH TO LEARNING DISABILITIES

This training programme was attended by the Junior and Primary teachers at Teachers' Centre Loreto House.

The main focus was learning problems among children and hands on remediation techniques.

These sessions focused on practical applications and activities that can help teachers manage classrooms with such children better. The training modules focused on skills required in reading, writing, arithmetic and language and problems observed among children going to mainstream schools.

The workshop also explained how to manage dyslexic, hyperactive and autistic children in classrooms.



Mr. Sandeep Arora and Mrs. Ruchi Arora came from The Learning Centre, Bhopal, to conduct a workshop on individual education plans that focus on basic skills set in Mathematics and English. The workshop was attended by Primary and Junior school teachers from 17th to 19th November.

ONE NATION READING TOGETHER 2014

On 28th November 2014, teachers and children of junior school assembled to take part in the One Nation Reading Together programme. They got together to make reading a pleasurable and enriching experience.





Youth to play



Mr. James Corolla, a Junior NBA coach in the USA had come to our school and has had a session with students of class III and IV. His words, "You need to be a good listener," and "hit the back board," still ring in the student's ears. His session was not only interesting and interactive, it was surely productive.

Mini Tennis Tournament



The Intra coaching mini tennis tournament was organized by the Enrico Piperno Tennis Centre. This event was held in school on 9th and 11th September 2014. The winners were awarded gold, silver and bronze medals.

WAITING EAGERLY TO SEE YOU ON THE 16th OF DECEMBER!



WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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