

Calcutta International School Herald April-May 2017

We the students of class 6B, have compiled the outstanding school events of April and May, 2017 in this issue of 'The Herald'. This has not been an easy task as we were busy preparing and then taking our Annual Exams in the month of April. Immediately after that, we started rehearsing for the play on the Reformation, which incidentally was a huge success! In the midst of all this frenetic activity, our editorial team ran from pillar to post gathering data for this issue. Eventually we have managed to put it together with invaluable assistance from the teachers, and we do hope you will enjoy the fruits of our labour!

Happy Reading!!



Barcelona Soccer Camp

A 9-day football camp was organised at

Barcelona, Spain.

Three students from CIS participated -

Samridh Poddar(6A)

Kshitij Sikaria(7A)

Krish Agarwala(9A).



They left on 30th of April 2017, from the Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport and took the Emirates flight to Dubai before proceeding to Barcelona.

DAY 1- Nothing much was done on the first day, they checked in to the hotel and rested.

DAY 2- They had a tour of Camp Nou, which is the official stadium of the Barcelona football clubs. After the tour of the stadium, they had lunch and relaxed for the rest of the day.

DAY 3- In the morning, after breakfast, they had practice with coaches which continued till lunch. After lunch, practice continued, and then the rest of the day was for relaxing.

Day 4 and 5 and 6 were spent in the same way.

DAY 7- On this day, our school had organised an official la liga match between F.C Barcelona and Villareal F.C.

DAY 8- It was a free day for the students they enjoyed visiting Shopping Malls and were treated in an Indian Restaurant.



DAY 9- It was the last day there and they left in the morning for their flight to Calcutta, via UAE.

Spell Bee

On 7th May, the Wiz National Spell Bee Competition was held in Shri Shikshayatan School, Kolkata.

Students from Classes 3, 4, 5 6 & 7 of various schools, including CIS, participated. For the first time, there was an oral round. Each participant was taken to a room separately where they had to spell out words. This was followed by a written test. The students found it to be a great experience, and are looking forward to the results after 12 June!

Congratulations Batch of 2017

Graduation Day took place on 13th April, 2017 with much fanfare. Under the guidance of the teachers, the AS and IB1 students had organised an excellent farewell for the graduating students of Year 12 at the ICCR.

It began with a formal ceremony with the Chief Guest, Professor Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay, Vice Chancellor, Amity University Kolkata making a speech after being felicitated. The Principal of the Senior School, Dr Munmun Nath, also spoke, and then, the programme was ceremonially inaugurated. A short fusion music piece was presented by Soham Roychowdhury and Ryhaan Giri. The evening reached a culmination with the cutting of a huge chocolate cake!



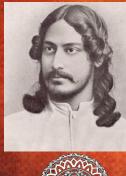






Tribute to Tagore









On Monday 8th May, students of middle section put up an excellent programme to offer tribute Rabindranath **Tagore** on his anniversary. After a few songs and recitation, Class 6 recreated the poet's renunciation of the knighthood following the 1919 Jallianwala Bagh massacre. Class 7 chose to dramatize Tagore's famous poem 'Pujarini' and they also danced to the song 'momo chitte', Class 8 students paid homage by singing the song that inspired the composition of 'fuley fuley dholey dholey' with the song itself as a medley. The boys and girls danced graciously with the song 'Aaj dhaner khete' and 'Ha re re re'.





Media Literacy





A Panel Discussion on Media Literacy was conducted in the AVR on Monday 8th May. It was organised by the students of IB1 as part of their English Language and Literature curriculum.

Mr Rahul Tandon and Ms Chandrima Bhattacharya, correspondents with the BBC and The Telegraph respectively, along with Ms Joyeeta Dey, a researcher, presented their views on what has come to be known popularly as "fake news", and they presented insights on how to distinguish between genuine news and misleading or sensational writing available on both mainstream and social media. Students of Grades 8, 9 and 11 attended the event and interacted with the panelists to ensure a stimulating and informative discussion.

University Visit





On 9th May, 2017 officials from the University of Harvard, Stanford and Wellesley visited CIS to hold a significant interactive presentation for students of Year 11. Students of other schools were invited to this important function. Dr. Munmun Nath, Principal of the Senior School, welcomed the dignitaries in a speech and felicitated them. The programme was inaugurated with a violin rendition by Rithvik Chatterjee and a song from the film Sound of Music by Arushi Pant. The programme proved to be highly beneficial for students looking for admission in these Ivy League institutions.

Workshop on peer pressure



Workshop on peer pressure was held on 10th May for classes 7, 8, 9 and IB yr1.

It was conducted by Dr. Sanjay Garg and Psychologist Ankita Roy.

Play on the Protestant Reformation

Three subjects - History, Drama & Art - came together in a harmonious collaboration to produce a short play on the Protestant Reformation. Realising the immense dramatic potential of this topic, the History teacher, Ms. Piali Ray, thought of the idea of carrying it from "the page to the stage". That is when discussions began with the Drama teacher, Mr. Kaushik Bose, and a short play on the topic was devised. At a later point, the Art teacher, Ms. Rina Mitra, was involved to create the stage props, and she also designed costumes with material sourced from the homes of students. Finally, with the inclusion of church music and other sound effects, the Reformation came to life in CIS on 11th May! Most importantly, it proved to be an excellent learning experience for the students - an impression that they will carry for a long time.



Prize Distribution of 2016 - 17 session

The Prize Distribution Ceremony was held in the traditional way in the AVR on 12th May 2017, the last day of the academic year. Ms. Piali Ray, the History and Drama teacher had a special message for the day-that while we are recognised for excellence in academics and sports, we should aspire to win the "ultimate prize" by becoming good human beings! A galaxy of brilliant students was awarded prizes by the Principal, Dr. Munmun Nath. We have some vignettes of this special event for you to enjoy.













With this we come to the end of an excellent academic year and look forward to another one unfolding. Meantime, have a great vacation!