

CIS HERALD 2018

From The Editors:-

On behalf of the school, students of class 6B are proud to present the latest issue of The Herald. In this issue, we have included school events which had taken place in February 2018. Some of these events were: two edge-of-the-seat competitions of elocution, interesting ECA events, Senior School activities, and a sporting event. We are honoured to have reported these events in our issue. Hope you enjoy reading it!

-Aroni Das and Aryaman Agarwalla 6B



SESSIONS WITH GUEST SPEAKERS SPEAKERS SPEAKERS STATES SPEAKERS SPEAKERS

On the 2nd and 16th of February, ECA photography held two sessions for the students.

The first session was a Skype session under the guidance of ECA Photography coach, Mr. Rahul Maheshwari, with one of South India's leading wedding photographers, Kishor Krishnamoorthi, on 2nd February 2018 during an ECA photography class.

Mr. Kishor Krishnamoorthi has a vast experience in different spheres of life; from being the President of the Students "Union at the University of Essex to being an Oil Trader in the Financial District of London, Mr. Kishnamoorthi has managed to stand out in the busy wedding market with his unique style of capturing special moments in a candid and unobtrusive way. What makes him unique is that other than weddings, he also pursues other photography work in his free time. He produces a photography magazine called "Concorde Zine", which is the only Indian publication to be nominated for the Stack Magazine Awards. He shared his wedding work and also some of his personal photography projects with the students. The Skype session was quite interactive between the ace photographer and the students. The students got an opportunity to see some of his wedding work and along with a few of his personal projects. The interactive session engaged the students thoroughly. They even made Mr. Maheshwari connect back a call to Kishor

to answer a few questions that they were curious about after the session was over. Indeed it was an amazing experience!

A second session was held on 16th February with Ms. Jayati Saha, a renowned self taught Photo Artist. The genres she works with are: Documentary and Travel Photography. She had a face to face interaction with the students where she motivated them to follow their hearts and passion for the subject. She beautifully narrated her own life experience and how she landed up in this profession, after leaving her 15 year-long career as a legal professional. Jayati constantly motivated the students to keep clicking, no matter what and focus on how they are clicking, but definitely be responsible while clicking. She advised the students to begin as street photographers and to go ahead clicking images from Tireti bazaar or Durga Puja in Kolkata, and many such other places and events. This would encourage them to keep their passion and curiosity for the subject alive. She is also a contributor at the Getty Images Inc., USA. She was the adjudicator at the Photography competition hosted by the SAARC, 2015. Ms Saha was very happy to interact with the CIS Photography students and has asked them to mail all their queries related to photography to her; which she will readily answer and offer guidance.

-ECA COORDINATOR



LP4Y CENTRE VISIT TO CHETLA — TOTO CAFE:

Reaching out to the community, helping build socially responsible citizens; is what CIS ethos speaks of. CIS has always stressed on sensitizing its students towards the needs of the not so privileged individuals of society. The CIS student volunteers of class 9 visited the LP4Y Chetla centre on 3rd February 2018. The objective of the visit was to understand the nuances of the micro business run by the youths of this centre. The youth of Chetla centre run a French Cafe called "TOTO cafe" where they serve French cuisine for lunch. Our student volunteers helped the youth run their business for a day. CIS volunteers helped in the kitchen, and offered door-to-door advertisement of the cafe. CIS volunteers had a brainstorming, feedback and discussion session with the LP4Y mentors and students; where they came up with few good suggestions to make the cafe popular and do a good business. CIS volunteers and LP4Y youths had a fruitful and valuable learning experience with soft skills training.

-ECA COORDINATOR





GRADE 6: 18A PROJECT

On 6th of February, class 6 had their ISA PROJECT on the Indus Valley Civilisation. They presented a skit based on the 4 statues found in the ruins of the Indus valley civilisation that are —"the dancing girl of Mohenjo Daro", "The priest" or "the bearded man", "the mother goddess" and "lord Pashupati" from the Pashupati seal. The story of the skit depicted feminine power and respect for different types of artistes.

The story revolved around the dancing girl, who was tired and thirsty; and went to the Great Bath to refresh herself, but the guards would not allow her inside. They disrespected her, and treated her as an outcast. So, feeling humiliated and angry, she prayed to the gods (Mother Goddess and Lord Pashupati) to help her. The gods gave her a boon that she will be immortal and will be forever respected. After her meeting with the gods, she went to the village head (The Priest) and told him about her being allowed into the Great Bath by the gods themselves. After some thought the village head agreed.

The story ends with all the 4 statues in their position. Overall, there was a positive outcome from the audience. Ms.Rina Mitra helped with the design of costumes, Mr Bose helped in the acting and drama.

-By Ankana Ghosh Dastidar – 6B





SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

The Rajasthan Trip was one of the biggest events and best experiences we had in class 7. It was only fitting that we had a special assembly on it. So, after a lot of last-minute planning and preparation, we came to showcase how many things we learnt and how much fun we had on the trip.

Class 7 was very excited to share their thoughts and experience with others during the special assembly, held on 16th February. We were so busy planning (since we did a so many activities on the trip) that we couldn't even practice our lines nor have a run through. We winged it and improvised along the duration of the assembly.

Although there were many hardships we overcame them all, and had a very successful assembly, with lots of errors and laughing moments along the way.

Rohan Marda, Eshaan Kothari and Arushi Sanghi (7A)



FOOTBALL WORKSHOP "a NEW Dawn in Football at CIS"

"The only way to Win is as a Team" - Pele

The Football Workshop held at CIS campus on the 17th of February, 2018 under the watchful guidance of coach and mentor Yan Cheng Law and Debjan Sengupta. The CIS football teams of senior, middle and junior girls and boys attended the workshop along with ECA Football students and Yan Sir's own team supported by Yan Sir's NGO, Premier Soccer School were also a part of this workshop.

The theory session in the AVR stressed on tactical lessons, which were full of interactive activities; that taught us what it takes to be a valuable player. We learnt not only about the physical aspects but also essential attitude and personality traits that we needed to develop within ourselves. We discussed the basic principles and critical points of the game which could lead us to victory or defeat. We discussed the different positions involved and the roles that they play. This helped us get a deeper understanding of the game and changed our perception of it. The two coaches gave us real life examples from their own experiences which



improved the way we analysed the game. This could prove to be pivotal to the score of a match in the future.

We then went to the field where Yan Sir's team, Premier Soccer School displayed the various situations through demonstration on field that we had discussed during the workshop which made the concepts and situations clearer to us. It showed us what we were doing right, what we were doing wrong, what we needed to work on and what we could become. The entire experience was not only enlightening but also extremely inspiring. It strengthened the bonds within our team and united us in our spirit to work harder than ever. I am very grateful to both our coaches and our ECA coordinator, Chitra Roy for putting together such a great workshop. I am still dumbfounded by how much I learnt not only about the game but myself and my team in just 3 short hours.

-By Saloni Todi, Class 10, Calcutta International school



ECA SESSION END DANCE PERFORMANCE

ECA is an integral part of the education system in CIS. This serves as a platform for the students to discover and develop their inherent talents in different fields. Western Dance is one of the most popular activities offered in ECA. Students of grades 1-5 performed to showcase their dance skills before a delighted audience on the 23rd February in school. The dance forms they displayed were Old school Hip Hop, Ballet, Turting, Disco and Jazz. They were trained by their ECA coach Mr Arjun Gerung throughout the ECA session 2017 -18.

- ECA COORDINATOR







THE MIDDLE SCHOOL FOREIGN Language ELOCUTION COMPETITION

The foreign language elocution was held on 23rd February 2018. There were competitors, competing in four different languages French, Mandarin, German and Korean. The competition was an intra-class event for classes 6, 7 and 8.

This was held so that all the CIS middle school children learn to appreciate the diverse languages. "How lucky we are to learn them in school!"

There were two different rounds held. First, all the students as per their section were heard and four students from each section were selected. Later in the final round we had to compete as a class.

After a heated competition the results were as follows:



Class 6:

In Mandarin, Jeanette Li, Daniel Lee and Elrich Chen stood first, second and third respectively.

In French; Diti Chhaproo and Kushagra Kanoi tied for first place; Shriyadita Sengupta and Rahini Kothari tied for second place and Archisha Dasgupta placed third.

Ha Jin Lee requires special mention for his commendable effort in recitation in Korean.

Class 7:

In Mandarin, Jahnavi Tantia placed first; Megan Liao and Shovit Bhattacharya were tied for second place and Kashyapi Kumar placed third.

In German; Anastasia Chattopadhyay and Manjeer Mitra placed first and second respectively.

In French; Anastasia Chattopadhyay, Manan Poddar and Manjeer Mitra placed first, second and third respectively. Ha Sun Bae requires special mention for her commendable effort in recitation in Korean.

Class 8:

In Mandarin, Evanna Lee stood first; Siddhant Kejriwal placed second; while Valerie Chen and Jaden Wu were tied for third place.

In French (Smaller group); Prajookta Roy and Vansh Khanna placed first and second respectively.

In French (Larger group); Arjun Sen, Tanvi Sengupta and Veda Jain placed first, second and third respectively.

Sihyun Yu requires special mention for his commendable effort in recitation in Korean.

-Tritee Basu 6B



MIDDLE SCHOOL ELOCUTION COMPETITION IN VERNACULAR

Languages

The Hindi and Bengali Elocution was held successfully on 21st February, 2018. The choice of poems and their clarity in delivery were applauded by one and all. Students took turn to recite their piece. Earlier, auditions had been held during the language classes and four finalists were selected. The children were brilliant and they recited well with expression. The List of Winners is:

Class 6 (Hindi):

- 1. Rahini Kothari
- 2. Dhiman Narayan
- 3. Elrich Chen

Class 7 (Hindi)

- 1. Eshaan Kothari
- 2. Rohan Marda
- 3. Manan Poddar

Class 8 (Hindi):

1. Arushi Pant



- 2. Viraj Sonthalia
- 3. Jahnavi Garg

Class 6 (Bengali):

- 1. Hrik Mukherjee
- 2. Praha Chakraborty
- 3. Anusree Mazumder

Class 7 (Bengali):

- 1. Rishabh Ghoshal
- 2. Mayurakshi Sarkar
- 3. Mihika Mukherjee and Ishika Ghosh (tied)

Class 8 (Bengali):

- 1. Sumedha Halder; Aatreya Iyer and Suryaansh Basumallick (tied)
- 2. Arjun Sen and Soumit Goswami (tied)
- 3. Fiona Majumdar and Tanvi Sengupta (tied)



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