

CIS HERALD

SENIOR SCHOOL

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Editor's Note

Class 8 is proud to present this edition of the CIS Herald! The months of June and July have been exhilarating and full of fun, from fests to sporting events, which have been enjoyed by not only the CIS Senior School but also students of other schools. However, these months were not just fun and games but also had many academic projects.

We are happy to say that all students had a great time in participating in these school activities. We hope you have as great a time reading this issue of the Herald as we did compiling it.

Investiture Ceremony

The investiture ceremony took place on the 12th of July 2017 (Wednesday). During the ceremony, the names of all the students who were chosen as school head, deputy head, additional deputy head, house captains, vice captains and prefects were announced. All the students of senior school had assembled in the tennis court and with Dr.Nath and all the section heads on the stage the ceremony began with a speech by Ms. Piali Ray.

Dr Nath addressed the students after which all students and teachers together sung the school song to the music that was played by Nikita Biswas of grade IX.

Ms.Piali Ray proceeded to announce the names of the selected students who came up on stage to take their oaths. The first name to be announced was that of Pinakesh Saha who had been selected for the position of school head. However, he was not present in school as he was proudly representing CIS as well as the country as the first international student to have been selected for the Presidential high school student leadership program at the Reagan library and institute in Los Angeles.



The next two names announced were of Harsh Banthia for the post of the school deputy head and Vijayant Mehra for the post of the additional deputy head. They were called up to the stage to take their oath with Dr. Munmun Nath and Mrs. Anusuya Paul.

The house captains, vice captains, senior prefects and junior prefects, elected by the students of the respective houses were then called up on stage and they took their oath administered by Mr. Samitava Mukherjee and the house teachers-in-charge.

Members of the Students Council-2017-18

	RED	YELLOW	GREEN
Junior Prefect	Evanna Lee	Tanvi Sengupta	Aatreya Iyer
Senior Prefect	Daksh Manpuria	Harsh Khumbhat	Anjali Surana
Vice Captain	Saket Mundhra	Somhrit Chanda	Arham Choraria
Captain	Jeffrey Li	Tinish Gupta	Shaurya Saboo

II MUN

Indian International Model United Nation Conference Kolkata (II MUN) took place in The Newtown School from the 21st to 23rd July. Students from CIS took part and they surely had an amazing experience!

- Moithyl Das and Yashvardhan Pansari (who were co-delegates) won the best delegate award in the UNSC.
- Shreshth Sarma won High Commendation and Kushagra Poddar got a verbal mention in WHO.
- Rithvik Chatterjee won High Commendation
- Harsh Kumbhat got a verbal mention in GA DISEC.

We are proud to say that CIS placed 2nd as a school.



French Assembly

An assembly on Bastille Day took place on 21st July 2017. Two students of class 8 spoke about the storming of the Bastille Prison, which started the French Revolution.



The students and teachers of the Middle Section stood up as a mark of respect while the French National Anthem, “La Marseillaise”, was sung by the students of class 8. We then watched footage of the National Day celebrations in France.

Participants of the Assembly-

**Mr Arkojyoti Ghosh,
Valerie Chen, Evanna Lee,
Veda Jain, Sumedha Halder,
Jahnvi Garg, Arushi Pant,
Tanvi Sengupta and
Suryaansh Basumalik**

‘BrikkhoroponUtsab’

The Bengali students of class 8 were given a unique opportunity. Mrs Leena Mitra, the Bengali teacher, organized a “brikkhoropon utsab” (tree planting) for them. The teacher took them out onto the field and helped them plant trees. The students enjoyed this innovative way of learning and looking after the environment.



“Ishkule Bioscope”

The Bengali students were given another unique opportunity. This time, all Bengali students of the school participated in a workshop in the AVR where they watched a movie, “Royal Bengal Rahasya”, of the Feluda series. It was followed by a quiz on the movie.

The winners of this quiz were-

1. Mayurakshi Sarkar
2. Hrik Mukherjee
3. Aatreya Iyer



Intra-school Spell Bee for Middle School

Class 8 of CIS participated in Intra-School Spell Bee this month. In the first round, each and every student participated and this took place on the 25th of July. Students who were marked above 8 on all ten spellings moved up to the second round.

Risk Management Workshop

The Pro-social Peer Moderator Program was held on 27th July 2017 at Fortis Hospitals, Anandapur. The Pro-social Peer Moderator Program is a unique platform for students to learn application based life-skills through the medium of interactive workshops. Six students from grade 9 went for this workshop, accompanied by Mr. K. Saha.



Visit to Manovikas Kendra

"Our experience at Manovikas Kendra was more than a project for our class, it was an enriching eye opener that we will never forget. As Psychology students we learnt a lot from this educational exposure. But, as learning individuals in life, we learnt never to take what we have for granted, as many have far worse than us. It was wonderful to see how the faculty at the institution handled the specially-abled children with such care and support. Observing their behaviour gave us great insight into this line of work and provided us with useful foundation for our research. The A2 students of Psychology are grateful to our school, our teacher, Ms. Nandy and Manovikas Kendra for giving us this special opportunity."

- A2 Psychology students & Ms. A. Nandy



Visit to East India Pharmaceutical Co.

On 19th July, the students of IB Yr-2 visited the factory site at East India Pharmaceutical Works accompanied by three senior school teachers, Mrs. Chamaria, Dr. R. Auddy & Mr. A. Deb. It was an academic collaboration trip involving the Science and Business students. They came to know about the thorough checking which medicines go through. Students also noted the highly sophisticated method of production of drugs. This experience was enriching for the students and it helped them make useful connections between the class room text books and the actual working of a factory.



CIS Student at Ronald Reagan high school student leadership programme



Pinakesh Saha of A Level was the first ever-international student to be selected for the Ronald Reagan high school student leadership programme at the Ronald Reagan presidential library in Los Angeles in July 2017.

The aim of the programme was to cultivate outstanding high school students, developing them into actively engaged citizens and leaders in their community by creating a leadership action plan at the end of the programme to be implemented in the community including conducting research and reaching out to members in the community.

The programme focussed on three tenets of leadership - communication, optimism and informed decision making. Apart from learning how to be an effective communicator, develop a personal leadership style, it was stressed on how an optimist views a challenge as an opportunity to grow and not an obstacle.

The team of credentialed educators helped each student increase their leadership abilities and grow their personal characteristics in the above three tenets.

It was an extremely enriching and memorable experience.

Confluence-2017

Students throughout the year look forward to a lot of events, but none with as much anticipation and exuberance as Confluence, the annual fest organized by Calcutta International School. The annual extravaganza showcasing talents from our own school as well as participating schools across the city has since its inception aspired to be one of the top inter school talent showcase event in the city. This year it took a significant step in achieving that goal.

Confluence this time witnessed a significant surge in the magnanimity in which it has been organized. With ten participating schools, this has been the biggest event by far. La Martiniere for Boys and Girls, St. James, Sushila Birla Girls High School, Shri Shikshayatan, B D Memorial International, Asian International, Bridge International, Hartley High sent in their contingents along with the host school who gave their best efforts in a plethora of events with fierce competition amalgamated with friendship, camaraderie and an immense pride in representation of their respective institutions.

With 25 events, ranging from Football, Basketball, Chess to nerve wracking Quiz, Shark Tank to Humanities Meet and Innovation to the more extravagant fashion show, western dance, CIS witnessed more than 500 participants competing for the top prize.

The host, Calcutta International School, secured the top prize, but graciously relinquished it to Sushila Birla Girls High School who grabbed the top prize followed by La Martiniere for Boys finishing close runners up. The event concluded with top city rockstars Underground Authority belting out their hits which left the students gasping for more and looking forward to next year's event with the hope and inspiration to making Confluence even bigger, in the true spirit of the school.

The organizing committee would like to thank Dr. Nath for her continued support, all the participating schools and their Heads and all the sponsors and benefactors for their generous contribution in making this event a huge success.

Susmita Mukherjee, Pratik Shome.



Fests

Genesis

On 21st and 22nd July, CIS participated in the first ever nature club fest hosted by La Martiniere for Boys: Genesis. Akrish Jhaveri and I were the student representatives. There were several schools participating and CIS proudly won the trophy for second runners-up even with only a handful of participants. We took part in every event. It was great to see the large gathering for popular events such as fashion show as well as the 'No horn project' in Park Street. Furthermore, we enjoyed a special evening with the well-known stand up comedian, Kanan Gill.

CIS students received prizes in almost every event they took part in, including: Genesis Creativity, Genesis Deal and Genesis Glamour. It was a great way to work toward the betterment of our environment and a platform to meet and get to know people from other schools. Our participation meant a great deal of hard work but it was eventful and fun at the same time!

Anouska Saraf
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Karma Yatra

CIS took part in the fest hosted by La Martiniere for Girls.

- Peniel Moon stood 3rd in Karma Cartooning
- Somhrit Chanda stood 3rd in Karma Obstacle
- Ryhaan Giri and Rishav Ghosh stood 3rd in Karma Jazz

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