Calcutta International School



The Herald

Lighthouse doesn't whistle but shines bright to wade through the darkness

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NEWS

FUN AT CIS MUN

CIS MUN 2016

On 15th July, the Model United Nations -CISMUN was held at Calcutta International school for the second time. For 3 days, committees of the conference were formed which included the Presidium Cabinet of USSR, the Executive Committee of USA, the UN General Assembly Disarmament, the International Security Committee, the United Nations Environment Programme, the United Nations Historic Security Council, the Council of Ministers of the European Union, and the International Press as well. Each of the committees had an agenda such as the refugee crisis in Europe and the corruption in environmental governance, etc. Every committee did their best to resolve the crises.

Some of the awards:

Best Delegation Heritage School

<u>UNEP Best</u> Shreya Tibrewala Delegation

Excomm Mayank Majumdar

<u>USSR</u> Sparsh Agarwal &

Srinijoy Srimani

(joint best delegate)

EU Noumaan Anwar

The schools which participated were Loreto House, Calcutta Boys' School, St. James School, Shri Shikshayatan School, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Lakshmipat Singhania Academy, The Heritage School and CIS



CIS MUN Team:

Co Deputy Secretary Generals – Abhirup Bhattacharya & Aritro Ghosh Core Committee – Ishita Burman, Aniruddh Lodha, Madhav Pooviah, Anita Saha, Sara Muthedath, Manjima Sengupta, Vijayant Mehra, Shreshth Sarda, Rithvik

Chatterjee, Shuvam Roychowdhury

Secretary General – Yash Kumbhat



Assembly sessions began:

On July 29th an assembly session was conducted by the Middle School Section. The students of Grade 8 enlightened all about the hard work and struggles in the life of some illustrious and eminent personalities from the field of Science, Music and Literature.



Evolution of Bond Women

This was the topic spoken about in the assembly for the month of July 2016 conducted by the students of Senior School. The speakers spoke about the journey of the portrayal of sophisticated glamour to the symbol of strength.

WHAT'S FUN IN POKEMON

The senior section conducted an awareness session on advantages and disadvantages of getting hooked to the



The session was organized

during the assembly on July 15th.

A seminar on E-Waste management was conducted by HULLADEK on 22nd of July at the AVR hall to create an awareness amongst the students about different types of E-Waste and their hazards. Appropriate recycling methods were discussed by the senior students of IB2. A two week campaign to collect waste from Middle and Senior School will begin soon.

Parent Orientation

On 20th June, we had a parent orientation for classes 6 to 12. For classes 6 – 8, it was conducted in the Indoor Games Room and for classes 9 – 12, it was conducted in the AV Room. The teachers talked about what was to happen in the academic year (2016-17) and what is new in school.

Swarm of Spell Bees...

On 22th July, the Spell Bee was held in the Indoor Games Room. The audience comprised of students of classes 6, 7, 8 and 9. First group had students from grade 6 and 7. Second group had participants from grade 8 and 9. Each group was given a different set of words which consisted of 3 words, each, which they had to spell out loud. In the end, the winners were...

6 & 7: 1st – Evanna Lee 7A Arjun Sen 7B

2nd – Shubhan Agarwal 6A Vikhyat Agarwal 7B

8 & 9: 1st – Padmaja Bose 9B 2nd – Debarun Das 9A

3rd – Prakhar Saxena 8A

Every student did their best but only these students could make the cut. Good job, s-p-e-l-l-e-r-s!

EVENTS:

X-UBERANCE'16

From 23rd June, for the course of 3 days, our school participated, with several other schools, in the school fest hosted by St. Xavier's Collegiate School where they displayed their creativity, skill and understanding. We had approximately 50 students from our school, ranging from classes 9 to 12, where each of them won some prize in their respective activities. There were activities like debating, sketching, model making, elocution, dancing, music, quizzes, sports, poster making, and creative writing and so on. There was one peculiar activity known as X – Strike where you play video games competitively. This caught many of our students' attention. This was rather surprising for our students as they did not expect such an activity, but it was interesting for them. There was also an event called X – Dunk (basketball) where our school team was the winner. The team consisted of Lung Guang, Jeffrey Li, Wilson Li, Breyton Chung, Trevor Chen, Richie Li, Mahin Kumar Singh and Prithvijit Pramalik.

Milana Walde won third prize in an English creative writing event called X – Press.









EVENTS:

I.T. FEST (EXE.BIT)

On 29July 2016, seventeen students from the Middle and Junior sections of our school, participated in an IT Fest called "exe.BIT" hosted by Lakshmipat Singhania Academy.

Around 800 students from 32 schools attended this fest. Our students participated in 7 different events titled—Selfie, Disc-o-graphy, Turtle-trail, epallet, Doodle, Exce.Pixel and Slide stories. They participated with cheerfulness and enthusiasm, and showed good team-spirit.

It is a matter of pride to us that Anjali Surana of class VIII and Tanvi Sengupta of class VI won the first prize in the event called "Slide Stories" and Peniel Moon of Class VIII won the third prize in the event called "Doodle".



PARTICIPANTS FROM CIS

EVENTS: CULTURAL EVENT ON 8TH ANNIVERSARY OF OLD CHINESE SCHOOL

On 16th July, in the Kala Mandir Theatre, out of 36 performances by 160 students of 20 reputed schools and universities in Calcutta, a team of 8 students from our school won 3rd place in this competition. The competition was sponsored by The Consul General of the People's Republic of China. The performances consisted of mostly poems, songs, dances and speeches. The participants were Ashley Chen, Breyton Chung, Ethan Hugh, Isabel Liao, Jeffrey Li, Justin Hu, Mervyn Liao, and XingYi Yang. The event was attended by Subrata Mukherjee (Senior Minister of the government of West Bengal), Ma ZhanWu, Chief Patron, Consul General of PR China and the president of The School of The Chinese Language.



-WORKSHOP ON PHOTOGRAPHY-

There was a photography workshop conducted in the Art Room for senior art students on the 31st of July from 3: 30 to 4: 30 pm. Students said that it was a wonderful learning experience and the teacher who taught them was very well spoken during the event.



STUDENTS REVIEW

It was certainly a learning experience, got to learn new things. Thanks to our teacher who explained everything to us in such great details.

Adhiraj Mukherjee IB 2

A very enlightening workshop! We have learnt the Art behind photography.

Shristi Choudhury A2

The workshop showed us how to properly use the camera so that we can manipulate the image in our own way, now we can try it ourselves.

Rahul Basu AS

-MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS-

Good day to you all!

It's a pleasure and a privilege to address you all through the forum of CIS Herald. This is an effort to keep you abreast of things pertaining to your child's school.

This is also the right time to mention that the elections for 6 Board members, to replace those who are finishing their two-year term at the next AGM is scheduled for the end of September. The school needs more interested parents to come up, volunteer their time and use their initiative and enterprise to ensure the CIS vision is channelized and implemented through proper governance, following of policies laid down. Please, if you are interested in knowing more details, do get in touch with any Board member. You could also write to pabog@googlegroups.com for any queries.

Among the things which are probably causing you some level of anxiety would be teacher attrition. While we saw some of it in recent months, we wanted to assure you that the Board has been continuously working with the management to find suitable replacements and we have largely been successful and no class has gone without a teacher.

Major infrastructural projects which were delayed and could not be completed during the summer vacation are being completed with minimum disturbance to the normal school day. To ensure and constantly monitor quality and avoid further delays, we have hired an architect who comes in once a week and works with the Facility Manager. Based on his advice, several improvements were sought and are being carried out and it will be an ongoing process.

Regards Lolita Sengupta

FROM EDITOR'S DESK

The months June & July are the first months of the academic year, yet are very eventful for our young delegates, spellers and for all our dear friends. We had an event where we enacted some United Nations sessions, we had an event where we displayed our spelling skills, and we had an event where we could experience a different culture. These were indeed interesting months.

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