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# THE FOOTBALL FEST

(Senior Girls)

by Sara Muthedath

30<sup>th</sup> October, 8:00 am: The Senior Girl's football team assembled in the general lab, all wearing the CIS white and blue jerseys. It was nerve wracking; their coach told them to go and let it all out on the field. The tournament was a League, three teams playing each other; a win was worth 3 points and a draw worth 1. The two highest scoring teams would face off in the finals. Later, on the field, after speeches by the Chief Guest, Mr. Law and our Principal, Dr. Nath, CIS played their first match against Premiere Soccer School. The halves were 12 minutes long, with a 5-minute break in the middle. CIS won the game by one goal, and were overjoyed. There was another match between Denzy's Rovers and Premiere Soccer School in which

Denzy's won. In the next match, CIS played Denzy's and after an exhilarating 30 minutes, the match ended in a draw. CIS would play against them in the finals again. CIS conceded a goal within the first 5 minutes. The home crowd was disheartened, but encouraging. CIS' most valuable player, Anshika Binrajka, soon equalized the score and with the help of Urshita Kumar, CIS won the finals 3-1. Our coach, perhaps the most passionate and overjoyed person on the field, Mr. Debjan Sengupta, won best coach as well.



## The CIS Senior Girls Team-

Anshika Binrajka

Urshita Kumar

Sara Muthedath

Varenja Jalan

Aditi Chatterjee

Saloni Todi

Isha Lodha

Manjima Sengupta

# Premier Soccer Schools Football Tournament

(Senior Boys)

by Arjun Arora

On October 31<sup>st</sup>, the senior school football team of Calcutta International School participated in the Premier Soccer Schools football tournament. Our formidable team reached the finals of this tournament. It was also a very memorable day, as it might have been the last tournament for many of our great players, who will be graduating next year, such as Francesco Bonacia, Prithviraj Basumallik, Aritra Ghosh, Rishav Ghosh, Muztavi Kabir, Youjin Oh, Youhon Oh and Anish Seal.

Mr. Debjan Sengupta was the coach for both CIS teams. He encouraged the team throughout the tournament and motivated all the players to keep going and aim for the champions' title.

Each and every match was exhilarating. The many great matches included absolute carnage to Delhi Public School with an 11-0 loss to CIS. In a matter of 24 minutes, each and every player from the CIS

A-Team scored, including a hattrick by Francesco Bonacia. Out of the many other exhilarating matches was the very final, that ended with Denzy's Rovers slimly beating CIS by two goals. Francesco opened the scoreline with a fabulous finesse into the bottom left corner. However, his efforts were in vain as Denzy's equalised in a matter of a few minutes. It was an extremely dramatic match that kept the entire audience at the edge of their seats throughout. It was truly a memorable experience for all those witnessing it.

Everyone in the CIS A-Team played a huge part in reaching the finals. The attack was led by Francesco Bonacia of IB2. We witnessed exquisite finishing and heading from the striker. He scored the most goals of the tournament. The defence was centralised around Youhon Oh of A2, who was the most aggressive player on the field. He tormented the opponents into losing the ball with

his assertive marking and slide-tackles. He was the backbone of the entire team. Our goalkeeper, Souhardya Sengupta of Class 9, went on to win Player of the Tournament. His fearless diving led to great and crucial saves, obviating the opponents from scoring against us. Well played Team!





# CIS BASKETBALL TEAM EMERGE AS CHAMPIONS

By- Isabel Liao

On the 6th to the 10th of November, 2017, there was a basketball championship held in MP Birla Higher Secondary School called "Hoops". It was the second basketball tournament of the season that CIS had participated in and both boys' and girls' teams had emerged as champions.

Day 1: The CIS girls' team had faced The Heritage School and won (21-12) and the boys' team had faced and beaten the MP Birla "B" team (28-20).

Day 2: The CIS boys' team had faced St. James' School and won (33-9).

Day 3: The CIS girls' team had faced Sushila Birla Girls' School and lost (19-23).

Day 4: The CIS boys' team had faced Don Bosch Park Circus and won (39-21) and then proceeded to play against South Point in the semi-finals. CIS won single-handedly (39-13) and were set to play in the finals. The girls team faced their old rival, Modern High School for

Girls, and won (31-20) and also proceeded to the finals.

Day 5: The CIS Girls team played against Sushila Birla Girls' School in the finals. The match was neck-to-neck but in the end, the CIS girls' team won (20-18). The CIS boys were up against the home team, MP Birla 'A', and CIS beat them (37-30).

Ashley Chen from the girls' team and Jeffrey Li from the boys were given the award of the "Most Valuable Player" of the tournament, whereas Isabel Liao from the girls' team and Breyton Chung from the boys' team were given the "Highest Scorer of the tournament" award.

The experience was refreshing, and the basketball teams were extremely honored to be given an opportunity to rise and represent Calcutta International School in the sport they love. Both teams were determined to not let their school down, and thereby emerged victorious in this school tournament, and will try to continue doing so in the ones to come.



# The Diwali Project of the Interact Club

by Krish Agarwalla

Every year, we celebrate Diwali without any hindrances and restrictions. But, what about the ones who cannot? Every human loves to celebrate this festival of light. Our working staff form an integral part of our life at CIS. To make these special people smile, the Interact Club of Calcutta International School, on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October, distributed diyas and food boxes to the working staff of our school, the dadas, the didis and even the security guards.

The Diyas were distributed by the board members of ICCIS, which consisted of: Aniruddh Lodha, Vijayant Mehra, Tinish Gupta, Madhav Pooviah, Shaurya Saboo, Shuvam Roychowdry, Gaavya Singh, Daniel Moon, Arham Choraria, Sara Muthedath, Krish Agarwalla, Shreshth Sarda and Rivaan Dhingra.

Their faces gleamed with joy when they got this small token of love. They were overwhelmed to see the hand painted diyas. Along with the Diyas we also distributed sweets and food packets to them. We learnt that day, that happiness increases when shared with others.



# IAYP Trip to Panchalingeshwar 2017

by- Sakshi Mohta

On morning of the 1<sup>st</sup> of October, the children of classes 9, 10 and 11 set out in a bus to the historical city of Panchalingeshwar. It was a 6-hour ride to the place. We were firstly introduced to the do's and don'ts of trekking and track signs. We then went for a short trek to the Panchalingeshwar temple where we saw the five pillars. The nearby waterfall was a mesmerizing sight! We then had a session on rope knots and in the evening, we were free to enjoy and relax amongst ourselves. On the second day, we trekked to Sikhar Minar; the hunting grounds for the kings of the Nilgiris. It was a long and hard trek, especially due to the rains which made the route wet and slippery. We saw some stunning views along the trek which made all the hard work worthwhile. After returning, we went for a rock climbing and rappelling exercise. This was the most tiring day and everyone ate and slept as soon as we came back. The last day comprised of a visit to Chandipur, a nearby town. We had lunch at the hotel itself and started preparing for the shows of the bonfire in the evening. After we were ready, we had all the classes perform anything they wished to increase interaction and enjoyment. The next day we departed for Kolkata early in the morning and returned by afternoon. It was a highly entertaining and memorable trip.





# Trip to Netherlands

By- Svarika Sonthalia

The Netherlands exchange program was an “amazing” experience. You must be wondering why I emphasized that particular adjective. We were supposed to refrain from using that one particular word because it was vague. Well, I could not agree more. That word could not describe the joy we felt when we were given the opportunity to spend a fortunate week in the Netherlands. It was a week we could never forget. We visited museums, attended school and followed the same timetable as the students at Alfrink College. We made movies at a film institution in The Hague. We shopped to our hearts' content. We visited a frozen beach which sent chills down our spine. Yellow leaves trodden upon, lying on the ground perfectly. The sun reflecting upon the shiny surface of the water, helping us leave all our problems behind and just be in the moment. The magnificent artwork of Van Gogh sent us back to the eighteenth century. The generous people, the tranquility and essence of the country, will never be forgotten. The adventures we set foot upon, the lessons we learnt and most importantly the love we were given was unfathomable. An unknown family agreed to nurture us for a week. We are thankful to them to help us become better human beings. We were loved and cared for like no other. We were united by our hearts and were surely undivided “beyond borders”. Disputes and fights could never get the best of us. United by our will to stay together, we supported each other like family. Any problems we had were solved by our parent-like teachers. We acknowledge their support and care and this bond can never be broken. Our hosts were like our brothers and sisters and their family was ours. Not even for a moment did we think we did not belong there. We were homesick, yes, but it was the love and care that helped us enjoy even when we were not feeling well. I was delighted to have got a family so kind and I am grateful that my host and I are still friends and shall remain in the future. India and the Netherlands have developed a bond that is unbreakable. We would love to serve them like they have and are anticipating their arrival in India in the near future.



# A Charitable Act- World Interact Week Project

by Sakshi Mohta

The morning of the 5<sup>th</sup> November, on the World Interact Day, the members of the Victorian rotary club set out early in the morning to brighten up the lives of underprivileged children. Over 300 children, selected from a number of NGOs in Kolkata, were taken for a movie at Swabhumi, Inox. They were shown 'Secret Superstar' with the purpose of inspiring them to follow their dreams, irrespective of familial and social forces. The happiness of receiving this opportunity was visible on their innocent faces; they were highly emotionally engrossed and grateful. To even think that such a small event could bring so much joy brought great pride to the schools involved. Emotions of this sort are what elevate the importance of the club and its actions. After the movie, there was a small

interaction with the children and they were soon sent back, refreshed and motivated.



Uprivileged children of the SOS organization



Children assembling in the Movie Hall



ICCIS members along with some children

# Children's Day

By- Varenja Jalan

Children's day is always filled with endless love and hard work from our teachers. It is the day when our school surprises us with new experiences every year. They've never failed to amaze us, from taking us to Nicco park, to inviting Menaka Gandhi, to having the teachers putting up splendid performances- it is most definitely the day we look forward to and cherish. This year was no different. Our teachers took the senior school to Hiland Park for a movie, the newly released Thor sequel. The popcorn and Coke we were treated to were the perfect accompaniments while watching this fantastic film. Sitting there with our classmates and teachers, we were engrossed in the Marvel Cinematic Universe and what made it special was that we were all watching it together.



## LSA MUN'17

Lakshmipat Singhania Academy Model United Nations conference was held between 13th-15th October. There were 5 committees, United Nations Security Council, United Nations Human Rights Council, Arab league council, Interpol and the International Press. Most of our students won individual accolades in their respective committees and Calcutta International School won the Best Delegation award as well. It was a proud and enjoyable experience. By- Shreshth Sarda





## EYP - 2017

The EYP, after getting postponed due to unsuitable weather conditions, took place on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November at Vidya Mandir. The primary and junior sections enthralled the audience with vibrant and colorful performances. The middle section's display revolved around the theme "Once Upon a Time...". Class 6 performed the Moroccan play "Point of View"; class 8 thrilled with the Indian tale of "Shakuntala" and class 7 amazed us with the Russian musical "The Musician". The hosts for the evening were Shreshth Sarda and I, Anouska Saraf of class 10. The evening was a spectacular one and a grand success thanks to the handwork and effort put in by all teachers, students, choreographers and all others involved in making sure the events run smoothly. It was most certainly a stimulating experience to be host and extremely pleasurable to watch the entire evening taking its shape from backstage. We would like to extend a large thank you to everybody who helped in making this event a memorable and successful one. We hope to see you next year!

By- Anouska Saraf 10A



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