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Teachers Pay

On September 5th, students of all age groups came together to celebrate and honour their teachers for Teachers' Day 2016. The day



began with the basketball and football match between the students and teachers. The entire school had their eyes stuck on the teachers and dadas as they progressed with each goal and basket and in each intense game, both teams played equally well, but the teachers emerged victorious. After the matches, the teachers proceeded to the AVR for the cultural program. The program began and teachers were entertained with a variety of performances from class three to class twelve about everyday school skits, mind blowing gymnastic performances and

rocking bands. The students put their best foot forward to appreciate their teachers. The little kids presented commendable and organized plays, poems and songs. The teachers let out a hearty laughter when puns and plays displayed the classroom atmosphere. Overall, the teachers and the students had a whale of a time and Teachers' Day 2016 was a remarkable and memorable one.

Times NIE

'National Aptitude Challenge 2016-17'

On 15th September, the middle school students appeared in the 'Times NIE National Aptitude Challenge 2016-17.' It was an aptitude test conducted by 'The Times of India.' This challenge

is taken by over 10 lakh students across the country. Results will be out soon.



Examinations

The 1st term examinations commenced on the 22nd of September for the students of the senior section and 26th for the Middle section students, and ended on 6th October.



Workshop on "teenage issues"

On 6th September, 2016 Class 7 shared their feelings

about "feeling left

out" with Mrs.

Shweta Goel, a

counsellor by

profession. This was the

first session of a series of programmes on similar issues.



Millenium Parenting in School

It has been observed that students are vulnerable in their teens to too many conflicting views and hence we as teachers and parents need to handle, nurture and guide

them correctly and provide the pastoral care. Keeping this in mind, we had arranged an interactive session on 'Millenium Parenting' at Calcutta International School conducted by

Ms. Salony Priya, Counselling Psychologist and Educational

Consultant with UMMEED Counselling and Consulting Services.





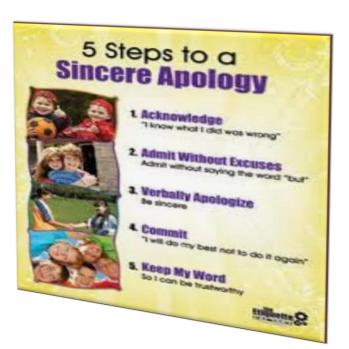
The session was scheduled on

Saturday, 20 August 2016 between 9.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. The session was contemporary with data and statistics educating parents on social and emotional aspects of teenage. It was more on making people aware than prescribing dos and don'ts.

Principal's Conclave on Etiquette for School Children at Taj

Ms Namíta Jaín has recently launched an animated movie on "Etiquette for School Children" which she shared in the presence of selected media and principals of certain schools.





The importance of etiquette is presented in a vibrant animated setting, making the movie an absolutely must-watch educational tool for children, teens and young adults. While teaching the tips and tricks of good manners and behaviour, it reminds one that etiquette is

not just about a strict set of rules but a guide on kindness and how to treat others.





Congratulations!!!

Mr Subrata Ghosh for making it to the "Top 12 Teacher Chefs" at IIHM



British Council — Introduction to Core skills



Dr. Munmun Nath attended the Introduction to core skills
workshop (for leaders) and Mrs.
Tania Ghosh attended the Introduction to core skills
workshop (for teachers), organised
by the British Council, Kolkata. It



was the first day of a programme spanning over 6 months. "Life skills" should be encouraged in the school curriculum was the topic of the day.

Critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, communication, creativity, leadership skills, global citizenship was addressed at length. Various ways of linking the curriculum with the skills was mentioned in an easy and fun way.

SCHOOL EXCELLENCE CONCLAVE

Dr. Munmun Nath, Mr. Samítava Mukherjee and Mrs. Sharmíla Mukerjee attended the conference at CII on -redefining curriculum: critical components of school excellence on 24th September.



The session topics included- Connecting the NCF and the school curriculum; Pedagogical perspective of different school boards; why and how of developing Key competencies in teachers to enable learning; implementing the curriculum: Learning from Effective Teachers; who speaks and who listens? Exploring the implications of personalised learning; pedagogy and teacher evaluation in the age of accountability.

The system of education in different parts of the world was shared by experts in the field of Education. The system of education in Finland was shared – one subject is emphasized on each year. Principals present in the event shared the best practices of their schools.

The participants met Mr. Babar Ali of Murshidabad who became the Founder – Principal of a School for the underprivileged at the tender age of 16. He had no funds initially but with the help of well wishers he has been able to build his school from scratch.

PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent Teacher Meetings were conducted for all the classes from nursery to grade 12. The meets in C.I.S. are very interactive. The students are allowed to accompany the parents during the meets and voice their own inputs. The sessions were very organised with a pre allotted time slot Chosen by the parents. Each parent can meet each teacher without rushing. The teachers are In separate rooms, to avoid any confusion. There was a book stall set up for the day as well.

From the guidance counsellor's desk -

College admission fair











The universities that participated in the college admission fair this month were:-

- > 1st September 2016 George Washington University 8:20 am 9:00 am
- > 6th September: U.S Liberal Art colleges 8: 20 am 9:10 am
- > 7th September UK University Fair 8:20 am 9:30am University of Nottingham, University of Exeter, University of Portsmouth, University of Bristol and University of Leeds.
- > 8th September 8:30 am 9:10 am Sciences Po, París
- $ightharpoonup 9^{th}$ September 1:00 pm 2:30 pm British Council School Fair University of Warwick, University of Creative Arts.

FRENCH WORKSHOP (28th September)

Attended by Mr. Arkajyotí Ghosh, Mrs. Sarkhel and Ms Rosalíne Rabín,

the workshop "Learning French through films" consisted of a discussion on highlighting the various aspects of a film to teach French.

Teachers were advised to use the posters and trailers of the films as resources. There was a group activity



and at the end of it teachers teaching a common age bracket of students came up with questions pertaining to listening, reading and visual comprehension.

Such questions would be used in the lessons in

future.

Coffee meet with class 6 Parents

The parents of students of class 6 assembled at a "Coffee Meet" on 27th September in school. They had a discussion about their wards with respect to academics and other issues.

The CIE results were shared with them and also "Prospects of Art in CIS" was discussed.



Coffee meet with AS parents

The parents of AS students met in school on 29th September. They were taken through the CIE results and its analysis. Many concerns and issues were discussed.



HOPE FOUNDATION PRESS MEET

PRESS MEET - DAAN UTSAV, HOPE FOUNDATION - 30th Sept 2016.

A press meet was organised by Hope Foundation at Hotel Hindustan International on 30th Sept 2016.

The meet was attended by Ayoníka Basu, Somedeep Nayak, Mrs Sharmíla Mukerjee and Mrs Chitra Roy.

The meet was about celebrating Daan Utsav in school this year. Somedeep and Ayonika confidently spoke about our contribution towards Daan Utsav in CIS way.



They briefed the organisation and the press that the generous contribution made by students is being collected and new sets of dresses will be procured as per the sizes provided by Hope Foundation for Kasba Girl's Home.

They also spoke about the other social responsibilities that CIS students take for helping the society in every possible way. There were many other leading schools and Corporates of Calcutta participating in the meet.

All spoke about the special bond they share with Hope Foundation and unique ways in which they contribute to each of the initiatives including Daan Utsav.

The meet was concluded with a vote of thanks by Mrs. Geeta Venkadakrishnan, Director - Hope Foundation, Kolkata. Each organisation was felicitated with a bouquet and a trophy from Hope Foundation. A high tea was arranged for all at the end of the meet.

Wish you a happy festive season...



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