



Calcutta International School Junior School

It's all about Love.....

Love is a beautiful feeling to share. It is a way to show how much you care. When you tell someone that you love them, it fills their heart with happiness and contentment. The children of the primary department celebrated the value of love this month.

We discussed points of love like: Who needs love? What are the ways to show love? What is a mother's love like? We focussed on the importance of love for family and friends by sharing stories and learning songs on love. The children practiced feeling love inside them by creative meditative sessions.

On 16th December, 2015 we had a special assembly on Love. Our guest speaker was Ms. Suchandra Bhutoria, She is also a professional singer. She was invited to address the children and sing for them during the assembly. The children had an interactive session with her. She sang two beautiful songs "I just called to say I love you" and "Ek doosre se kartein hai pyaar hum". Everyone was dressed in red and there were red hearts hanging around the room. The children had made garlands of hearts which they were wearing. Nursery presented a song, "The magic of love." Ms. Suchandra shared sweets with the children before leaving. It was a perfect way to celebrate the season of love.



The children of Nursery made beautiful charts on what they loved the most and spoke about it. They coloured the "love angels"



The children of Pre Nursery.....



Glittering their crackers.



Playing games on Children's day.



Gearing up for Christmas.



Making a rangoli during Diwali.

Enjoying class party during Children's Day.

Decorating our Christmas tree was so much fun.



Upper Nursery had a poster making and music session conducted by Rhea's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chatterjee. A professional singer also came to enthrall the children with his melodious songs and music. The theme of this session was 'love' keeping in mind the I.S.A .theme for the month. The singer explained to the audience that the language and accent of people in different parts of the globe may vary but the language of love was universal. This idea was well established with his songs and the Hawaiian instrument that he played while Mr. Chatterjee played the guitar. It was indeed an enriching experience for all and the children enjoyed thoroughly clapping and swaying to the beats of the music!



Class 1 enjoyed researching and gathering fun facts about snow and Santa Claus. They decorated the class board with snowman cutouts and the information they had gathered.

Students of class 2 welcomed the festive season writing their wishes on the wreaths they made for Christmas using techniques of hand and thumb printing.



"Tis' the season to be jolly" The children of class 3 celebrate the festive season.

Class 4 students have highlighted their christmas wishes and what christmas means to them through small posters.





On 16th of November, the teachers of the Junior School put up a short and enjoyable performance for their pupils in the music room for Children's Day. The students of the Primary Section were mesmerised by their teachers dancing to a popular number. The teachers of Junior section entertained the children with lively songs with our music teacher Mr.T.Mukherjee on the piano. Our Drama teacher Mr.K.Bose danced along with the songs to the delight of the students who clapped and cheered on. It was followed by a dance performance by Miss R Banerjee and Miss P Gurung. Later the students of Pre Nursery to class 2 took back goody bags and the students of class 3,4 and 5 were treated to pizzas.



On the 27th of November, pupils from the Junior School took part in the Annual Science Festival, **Alchemia 2015** at Gems Akademia International school at Thakurpukur. The theme was Exploring Science. There were 3 events in which the students of Junior school participated. Tejovrishi Guha and Eshaan Kothari of class5 came 2nd in the Science Model category. Megan Liao of class5 came 2nd for the unique clock she made out of bottle caps in the Best out of waste category, 'a green innovation' indeed! Shubhan Agarwal, Melissa Amalir, and Anastasia Chattopadhyay took part in Cartoon Kreationin which Shubhan Agarwal stood 3rd. The Science teachers who accompanied the pupils were Mrs. S Bhattacharya and Mrs S Ahuja. All the participants were given participation certificates. The Principal of the Junior School, Mrs P Nayar congratulated the participants in the morning Assembly.



Mrs.P.Nayar, Mrs.S.Majumdar and Mrs.N.Choudhary attended the **Cambridge Schools Conference 2015** in Dubai from 8th to 12th December 2015. It was the largest congregation of delegates representing 42 countries worldwide. The theme of the conference was "Education Fit for The Future": Planning for a changing world.



The Interact Club of CIS organized a bakery festival on the 27th of November 2015 and it was held next to the school cafeteria. The pupils who took part in it from the Junior School were Sofia Sandhu, Alizah Ali, Ruhani Dutttagupta, Samaaya Malik, Trisha Jennifer Noor, Ha won Bae, Aryaman Agarwalla, Aroni Das, Yashvardhan Agarwal, Satvik Jain, Jeeya Garg, Sara Sengupta, Rohah Arya Marda, Milind Pooviah, Isha Lodha, Deeya Khandelwal, Chloe Liao, Melissa Amalir, and Vania Kapur. The pupils deserve full credit for baking and presenting so tastefully the cakes, biscuits, cookies and pies and for taking some time off to sell these to raise funds to aid those in need of financial support. Mrs P Nayar appreciated the contributions and efforts made by the pupils of the Junior School for the Bake sale.

BOOK READING SESSION & AUTHOR VISIT TO CIS ON 16.12.15

An esteemed author, Ms Smita Ganeriwala visited our school on Wednesday 16th December 2015. There was an interactive session with the students of classes 2 to 5 within the school hours.

Ms. Smita Ganeriwala, is a working mother with a passion for writing. She is a chartered accountant by profession, a sportsperson by choice, a thinker by attitude, a musician at heart and a foodie by birth. Most of her time is spent with her children and family. It is only since last year that she started conceptualizing this series for children and stepped into the world of storytelling. This book is her maiden step in fulfilling her long nurtured dream for a children's book series in India. The session started with the Junior School Principal felicitating the author and a brief introduction on her. This was followed by the two sessions which consisted of both book reading by the author from certain excerpts of the book and games like JAM, based on the book. Bookmarks were distributed to all students attending the session. A few copies of the book were in the school library for those wishing to buy it later.





This year's Junior School Concert, titled **Extravaganza**, held on the 1st of December, 2015, Tuesday, at Gyan Manch was a remarkable success. The CIS community was treated to a beautiful evening of flawless music, dance, and drama, over a duration of four entertaining hours.



Extravaganza began with the Pre- Nursery children showing on stage the buzz and enthusiasm in the great workshop of Santa, prior to Christmas, moving in unison to some melodious music. They put up a great act and the confidence of the tiniest ones in school was outstanding.

This was followed by Nursery's production, Christmas Galore., in which the children brought out and put across the true meaning of Christmas, that of sharing, caring, giving and receiving, through their songs and dances.

Upper Nursery boys and girls in their exquisite, nimble light footed presentation, Ahoy! Ballerinas, danced away to show how pirates live and loot.

Class 1s production was all about how a gullible elephant, Horton, is tricked by a wily, irresponsible bird. The spectacular performance by the six years olds and their colourful dance accompanied by foot tapping music kept the audience mesmerized till the end of the act.

The pupils of class 2 took a look at the old town of Bremen with its famous bronze statue of a donkey! They narrated the story of the four famous animal musicians of Bremen in their play and enthralled the audience with their invigorating songs, energetic dance and brilliant enactment.

So, what in essence, and essentially, is Christmas? The young ones in class 3, inspired by the lesson learnt by the miser Scrooge in Dickens' classic A Christmas Carol, re examined the festival, or rather how it is interpreted in today's largely consumerist society of Kolkata.

The evening's programme concluded with a spectacular enactment of Ali Baba and the 40 Thieves from The Arabian Nights. The classic story of greed and robbery and of the bravery of a slave girl, Marjina was enacted by the talented pupils of class 4 and 5 whose dancing, singing and acting set the stage on fire!

The entire program was anchored by Mrs. D Roy, our ECA coordinator.

The pupils from class 1 to 5 were directed for their enactments by the Drama teacher, Mr Kaushik Bose, who was assisted by the class teachers. Mr Niloy Sengupta, along with his team choreographed the play. A special thanks goes to the support staff of CIS who worked tirelessly for the smooth running of the program.. The others without whom the program would be incomplete are Mr. T. Mukherjee the Music teacher, the teachers of the Art Department, our Section Heads, all the subject teachers of Junior School, and most importantly Mrs P. Nayar, whose continuous support, guidance and encouragement made the program such a tremendous success!



Happy Holidays

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