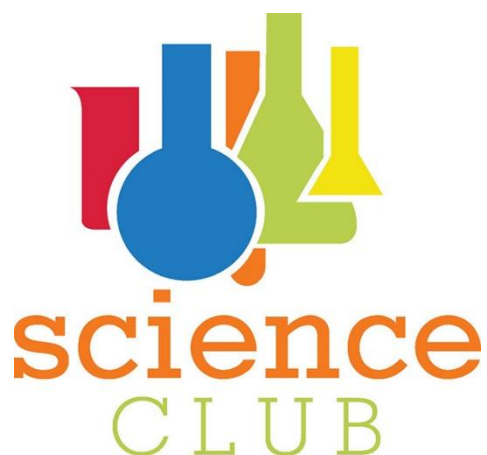




# CIS SPEAKS

August 2018

By IB Year 2



## **“Science in action”**

The Science Club was founded this year with encouragement and support from the teachers in charge Mrs. Tania Ghosh and Mr. Arindam Paul. It works towards the development of an informed interest in Science and reinforces its relevance in students' everyday lives. It has a wide range of activities planned for the academic semesters.



Notable speakers who have excelled in their respective scientific fields will be invited to speak about exciting topics

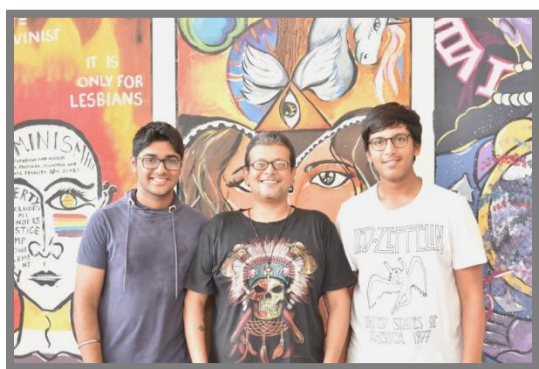


and showcase “Science in action”. This will also be an opportunity for students to learn about potential careers in the sciences. Visits to scientific institutions, research institutions and science museums will be conducted to broaden the horizons of the members. Engaging, enriching workshops will be conducted by students and guest organisations. The club is currently working on hosting the INSEF Regional Fair which will be held in November.

# TED Ed Club

## “How far can we reach?”

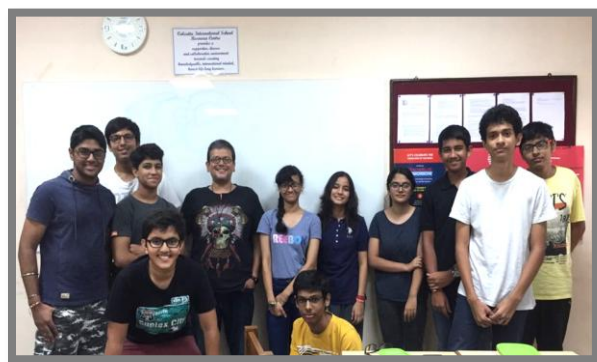
Classrooms exist in an insular environment, and the work done sometimes is apparently disconnected from students' lives, however, students today must cultivate the ability to navigate an increasingly connected global society.

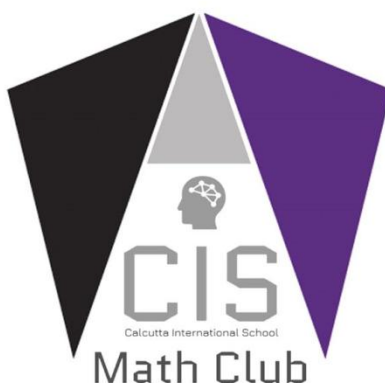


The Ted Ed Club of CIS was founded to grant students the luxury to create their own learning path because students can rarely afford to be creative in the modern, number crunching schooling system. We also aim to develop the members' presentation literacy, and allow them to harness their inner voice,

public speaking skills and master the ability to process and present ideas in a multidisciplinary and personal manner.

The club, under the guidance of Mr. Surodeep Mukherjee, encourages each member to identify what they are passionate about, and over six months, the members get to develop creative talks on their interests. At the end of the club cycle, each talk/performance will be audio/video recorded and sent to TED who will then upload the deserving, talks onto their YouTube channel. Some overreaching students might also get the opportunity to present their talks on the national TedX or the TED stage in New York City.





**“If people don’t believe that mathematics is simple, it is only because they don’t realize how complicated life is”**



Math club, one of the newest clubs in the school, aims to eliminate the stigma that math is tough. Under the guidance of the teachers-in-charge, Mr. Pratik Shome, the club wants students to appreciate the beauty of Mathematics,

which is inherently present in nature. Having already completed activities like Math Quiz for middle school and Wall painting in the Math lab we look forward to many more activities that foster mathematical thinking amongst the students. We look forward to teaching students daunting topics, and enhancing our own skills in the process. Furthermore, we look forward to organising a Math Day where various activities, related to math, will take place, including a guest speech by a math professor/ researcher. We are a club that wants its members to take initiatives and come up with ideas too. We, thus, want to make Math a more interesting and engaging subject, rather than a subject that is mandated.



The Interact Club of CIS has always been and will continue to be dedicated to giving back to society. While most of us live sheltered, privileged lives, others may not be as fortunate. People all over the world are suffering. Thus it is our responsibility to aid and reach out to as many of the needy as possible. The club has carried out multiple charity projects such as the Winter Supplies distribution, the Children's Day project, the Diwali project, Dada's and Didi's Day and the Solar Panel Installation project in the Sundarbans. The club has also been responsible for the organization of many note-worthy fundraisers such as the Winter Gala (School Prom) and the annual Bake Sale. Along with these fundraisers the Interact Club is also planning more unique and enticing events such as the All Hallows Eve party & the Haunted House event.

The club will also continue to plan regular clean ups and other smaller recycling projects. The club also has



strong ties with other clubs such as the Interact Club of St. James and our parent club The Rotary Club of Victoria. The club also helped the Rotary Club of Behala to organize the renowned inter-school Master Minds Quiz. These relationships provide our club with endless opportunities to serve the community. Our club has cemented itself as a respectable organization. Our club's success owes a lot to the support of our diligent members and the council of our teachers (Ms. Rituparna Mukherjee, Ms.Kashmiri Marwah and Mrs Preeti Roychoudhury). Joining our cause would not only benefit you, it would also give you a chance to help those in dire need of aid.





**“Within nature lies the cure  
for humanity”**



While nature nurtures, we keep seeking from it. With the current state of the natural world, and the potential deterioration it can undergo, the CIS

Nature Club under the astute guidance of Dr Debargha Chakraborty takes it upon itself to do its part. All trees and plant pots in school are nurtured by members of the Nature Club. Not only does this allow students to contribute towards preserving Mother Nature, but it also fosters close interactions with her, helping to ease unnecessary stress and thus connecting their minds to their soul. The nature club thus encourages and cultivates sensitive and nurturing young minds and soul.



# MUN & DEBATE CLUB



The Model UN and Debate club aims to go beyond public speaking and provide a platform to the youth of today to engage in diplomacy and negotiation. Model UN conferences are a unique forum to explore internationally relevant topics and allow students the opportunity to discuss agendas of global reach and consequence. Under the guidance of Mrs Susmita Mukherjee, the

club aims to inculcate in its members the ability to discuss politics and beyond in a manner that is not only eloquent but also well-informed.

Having hosted more than two hundred participants in the fourth edition of CIS Model UN last July, the club looks forward to engaging its members in further conferences of national and international destinations, as well as taking part in debates and forums of discussions.

CIS MUN official website: <http://cismun.in/>



The world without creativity would cease to exist as we know it. The arts are an ulterior media for the expression of imagination. The Art club thus seeks to provide both a platform to develop the latent artistry within each and every individual along with an environment

that stimulates creativity and lends itself to interdisciplinary learning. With the plethora of talent present in our school, there was an unquestionable need for such a club to come into existence. The stress-filled routine that students lead was also considered where minds tend to 'wander off'. Thus, with activities such as the stained-glass workshop, Halloween Day, and even a theatrical performance at the end of the year we hope to pull the students out of the monotony of life and also be a place where one's creativity can take flight.



# UCLA Green Belt Certification course for Teachers

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On 2nd August, 2018 (Thursday) 27 senior school teachers gathered in the AVR to attend an orientation programme conducted by Ms. Anne George for the "Global Career Catalyst" Green Belt Certification

Course by the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) that enables Subject teachers to become trained career advisors. Teachers are

perceived as the best personnel who can help a child understand what they are good at as they observe the child very closely while often being objective. This course adds a professional value to the teachers' understanding about the child's abilities and thus makes them "teacher counsellors." This exhaustive course will comprise of 15 online modules, split in 2 months and will assess the participant through quizzes on technical and the counselling aspect of career counselling followed by certification from UCLA upon successful completion.

# In-school IB ATL Workshop

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## Approaches to Teaching and learning in DP (Cat-3)

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IB@CIS organised an In-school workshop on Approaches to Teaching and Learning in The IBDP on the 3rd and 4th of August, 2018. It was attended by 25 senior school IB teachers. The workshop was facilitated by Mr. Melhan Bin Adam who is a Singaporean educator; currently the Head of Asian

Languages Faculty in Jerudong International School (JIS), Brunei Darussalam. He has vast experience in crafting and developing curricula for the IB DP language acquisition courses, he is a workshop leader and Course Outline Reader for Studies in Language and Literature, Language Acquisition

and Approaches to Teaching and Learning (ATL) since 2012.



Approaches to teaching and learning are deliberate strategies, skills and attitudes that permeate the teaching and learning environment. These approaches and tools, intrinsically linked with the IB learner profile attributes, enhance student learning and assist student preparation for DP assessment and beyond. Implementing the ATL is an exciting opportunity for DP coordinators and teachers. The workshop was divided into 8 sessions focusing on the different ATL skills. The workshop leader was a very enthusiastic individual who got all the participants involved into

meaningful discussions and activities. The teachers learnt about the significance of deliberate and explicit use of ATLs in their everyday classroom practices as it is important for the students to know what skills they are developing during the two years of DP.



The activities he designed for participants were constructive learning experiences and most importantly the workshop provided teachers with a platform where they could share their own experiences and ideas about implementations of ATL skills with each other through presentations and group discussion and several other activities which were beneficial for one and all.

# Workshop on Gender Sensitivity

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Teachers of Calcutta International School attended a workshop on gender sensitivity conducted by DR Ranjita Biswas and organized in Frank Anthony Public School. DR Biswas is a consultant psychiatrist and researcher associated with the destigmatization of gender and sexually deviant individuals. A member of Sappho for Equality, she demonstrated the various ways in which

non-normative sexual preferences are stereotyped in society, the social rejection and the resulting psychological stress experienced by such individuals in daily life. She showed the teachers real-life video clips depicting the same. Sections of the Indian Penal Code relating to such growing concerns were debated as well. It was a collaborative and interactive session where teachers also discussed the aforementioned problems existent among school students, wherein DR Biswas provided valuable suggestions in managing these challenging situations. The workshop was especially helpful to the school counsellors who are faced with improving the academic performance and the underlying emotional concerns of sexual norm deviant students.

# Farewell of Mr Yan Cheng Law

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We bade farewell to our ECA Football coach Mr Yan Cheng Law on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2018. It has been an extremely fascinating journey for CIS with Mr Yan Cheng Law and Jishnu sir at the helm of affairs in our Football ECA. CIS will remain ever grateful to both of them for creating and shaping up 5 school teams in a span of two years and giving us so many young passionate footballers. We

appreciate Mr Law and Jishnu Sir's passion and dedication towards creating the girls football teams and giving a new dimension to football in CIS. They both created the ideal atmospherics for our young minds to develop a passion for the game



We wish Mr Yan Cheng Law and Mr Debjan Sengupta (Jishnu Sir) all the best in all their future pursuits.



# IB CAS trip to Prague

The Golden city of Prague is a magical place. Set on the majestic river Vltava, Prague is home to some of the most beautiful architecture in the world. The city has a plethora of options that inspires students to delve deeper into the meaning of CAS. A few students from IB year 2 went on a Prague CAS trip accompanied by the IB CAS coordinator Mrs. Debleena Gupta and our senior school Principal, Dr. Munmun Nath. The exciting itinerary was specifically designed on the core Creativity, Activity, Service component of the IB Diploma Program, and included projects to focus on global issues of Homelessness, The Environment and Sustainability.

## Cooking challenge

Our trip kick-started with a visit to the Nadeje Homeless cooking challenge in which we had to cook pasta for the homeless people residing in Nadeje's homeless shelter. Some of us chopped the vegetables, some of us prepared the pasta sauce.



We were glad that we finished cooking in the time limit given to us and soon after a small break we then proceeded

to set out for the homeless shelter of Nadeje where our pasta would be eaten by its residents.

With the Nadeje Homeless cooking challenge, we were soon onto the next activity which was 'The Yoga Workshop'.

## Yoga Workshop

It was a small, neat place run by a single instructor who had been practising and studying Yoga for the past 15 years. We prepped up quickly and soon found ourselves invested in the instructor's actions.



He made us follow his movements and, in his words, “moving the flow of energy in our body”. He made us do the famous ‘*Suryanamaskar*’. After an hour and a half of yoga, we were all rejuvenated and were soon ready to enjoy our dinner.

## Meeting with the man

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For the last activity for the day, we had a meeting with the Czech marathon runner and philanthropist, David Christof. He was a very joyous and energetic person and through his positive mannerism, we were all keen on knowing what he did. After his presentation, we soon scheduled a short marathon with him the next morning.

We had a short run in the morning with David Christof. It was a short 15-minute run which most of us completed but was

somewhat tiresome. It was really nice to see how an actual marathon runner ran as David was not tired at all from this experience.



## Some Bobsleighing

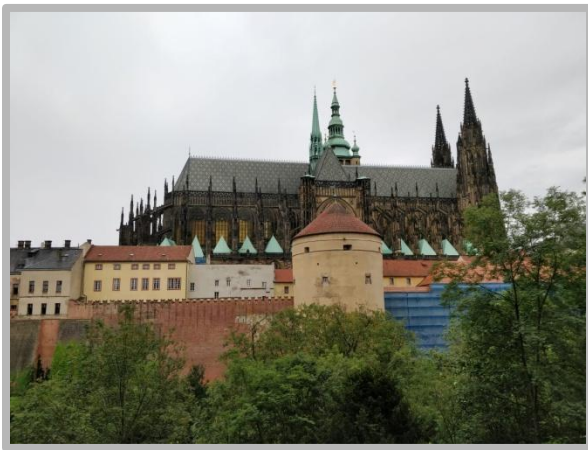
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To let us kids have a little fun on this CAS trip, the organisers got us tickets for bobsledding. It was a fun activity as this was not something we would get to enjoy in India. We all took turns going down the slide around 800m long using a sleigh and though initially, we were unsure it was going to be any fun we were soon totally taken by it.

## Around the Prague Castle

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We were about to visit one of the most famous tourist attractions in Prague, for the next day which was the tour of the Prague castle home to the president of Czech Republic. Our guide explained to us that the most unique feature of Prague Castle was that due to it being so aged (dating back to the 9th century) various styles of architecture could be found. Overall it was a great learning experience for us students.



## Creating creativity by creating light bulbs

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In the next activity, we met up with a couple of student artists who are starting in the business. Our task was to

somehow use the cups and the lightbulb in conjunction to make a fancy light bulb and present it to them displaying our creative minds.



## Jewish ghetto of Terezin

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The next day, we visited the Jewish ghetto of Terezin which was originally built in the 18th century as an Austrian military fortress but was eventually converted into a deportation camp for the Jews during World War 2 when Czechoslovakia was occupied by the Nazi forces.



After clicking a few pictures of the site, we soon proceeded to the actual campsite where the Jewish people were 'residing'. We visited the parts of the



fortress such as the room where the Jewish people would sleep, which would always be suffocating as they crammed seventy occupants into one tiny room for the night, a shaving room which was just for show as the Nazis wanted to hide the atrocities they were committing in Terezin when the Red cross came for inspection.

After the previous days' trip visiting one of Czech Republic's darkest times in its history, today's trip was on the era just after World War 2 which was the Communist regime that prevailed in this country till 1992. More specifically, we were taken on a tour of the cultural significance of what took place during and after the communist regime.

## Street artistry

After a quick breakfast, we soon arrived at the town square where we met up with a professional street artist of Alternative Tours who took us on a tour of the various street arts which were prevalent on many of the buildings in and around the city. After lunch at the park, we were soon ready for our next activity which was making street art ourselves with the help of the same guide we had for the street art tour. For this activity we were to cut out images of the printed pictures he had already prepared for us and then with the cut-out paper we were to use spray paint in order to get an image on a canvas.



## The Bone Chapel

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We were all then ready to head out together for our final trip and for this trip we would be visiting the city east of Prague, Kutná Hora. True to its name 'The Bone Chapel' contained the skeletal remains of over 40,000 to 70,000 people, stacked in various decorative ways on top of each other. Our guide explained to us the history of the chapel which in brief was that Kutná Hora became a famous burial ground for the people in Europe after the abbot Cistercian monastery sprinkled some soil from the Holy Land all over Kutná Hora.



We took several pictures of the place before finally moving on to the next part of our trip which was visiting St Barbara's church. We soon learned of

its history and how the cities silver mining industry affected its people and its creation.

## Fin du voyage and the “fake” Eiffel Tower

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With this completed we went to see the “Petrin Tower” which is a replica of the Eiffel Tower. We all climbed till the top of the tower and the view from there was breathtaking.



Our final activity in Prague was boat peddling by the Vltava river which was underneath the famous Charles Bridge. It was fun peddling and taking in the breathtaking view. This was the last lap of our memorable trip.



# India Korea Day

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India-Korea Day, like every year, brought with it colourful children dressed in traditional, multicultural attire. To mark the Independence days of India and Korea, CIS celebrates India-Korea day in order to commemorate and express gratitude for the struggle of the past and celebrate the freedom that came with them. The day started off with students making drawings and paintings for soldiers expressing their gratitude and thanking them for serving the nation. This event was organised in association with Faber Castell and NDTV, a few chosen paintings are going to be sent to the Wagha Border for the soldiers to cherish. After this activity, the

students prepared themselves for the various dance, music and dramatic performances. A few students from grade 7 performed a skit about the lives and stories of Indian freedom fighters, showcasing the struggles and how they emerged victorious.



This was followed by a session of dance and musical performances by the rest of the middle and high school students. A fashion show was organised by the 10th grade students where they displayed their various Indian attires. A few students performed in traditional Korean attire, a fan dance, to a Korean song. This was followed by dance and musical performances to popular Korean songs.

After this event ended, it was time for the students to enjoy delicious home cooked food. The students brought for sale Pani Puris, Bhel Puris, Gimbap, Kimchi, and Chicken wings dipped in Korean BBQ sauce. The money

collected from the items sold will be donated to the underprivileged. All in all, India-Korea day was a fun filled event with a purpose and a lot for the students to take back with them.

## Middle School Spell Bee

The Intra- School Spell Bee final rounds were conducted for grades 6-8 on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Prior to the final rounds the English teachers of the classes conducted the preliminaries and semi-finals during the lessons. For the prelim, a word list was given to all the students of each class and everyone participated. They were given four days to commit the words to memory. After a semi final round and a surprise elimination round the students for the finals were determined from all three classes.

From class 6 Evangeli Saha placed first, Shome Deep Sarkar second and Diksha Vijay Paul placed third.

Shriyaditya Sengupta placed first from class 7 and Shreyan Banerjee placed second.

From class 8, Shubhan Agarwal came first, Aaryan Dasgupta came second and Manjeer Mitra, third.



Mrs Zareen Mazumdar was the judge for classes 6 and 7 while Ms Saheli Gupta judged class 8. Ms Piali Ray was the pronouncer who enthused the participants, the judges and the audience with her lively quips and anecdotes.

# University Visits

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Our education has always had, and will always have but one primary goal. What is that goal? It is to prepare ourselves for the future, for our further education, for our lives. Even here, CIS takes the extra step for its students. Like every year, this year too has seen the presence of University fairs and visits from various colleges from around the globe, The United States, the UK, Australia and so many more.

These college fairs not only give the students a welcome opportunity to learn

more about the education they have a chance at attaining, but also to find out about previously unknown details, and even colleges that they would later learn they wish to apply to.



University visits from colleges such as Haverford, Kings, Monash have proven to be of most importance, as they have laid many doubts to rest, and provided our students with much needed relief in this time of utmost significance. Needless to say, our students will make great use of this welcome advantage.

# Photography Exhibition

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Students at CIS are always looking for new ways through which they can help people. An initiative of this sort was undertaken by the students of IB2 in the end of July 2018, this initiative, came in the form of a photography exhibition. This exhibition, unlike so many others was not for the sole purpose of exhibiting the talents of the students of CIS, its aim was also helping the community.



## The Goal

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### The people who made it possible

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The students involved Shreya Khettry, Kaushal Mehta, Ethan Chen and Trevor Chen collected pictures from students throughout the school and displayed them in the lobby on the 30th and 31st of July.

Their goal was to try and raise as much money as possible by the selling of these photographs, a goal that they achieved in convincing fashion.

Through the help of the CIS family consisting of students, parents as well as teachers, they were able to raise Rs 10000, which will be donated to the Premashree foundation; an organization in Kolkata which not only works towards educating visually challenged children, but also provides them with homes.

# Interschool Classical Dance Competition:

## “TAKITA DHIN” 2018

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Interschool Classical Dance Competition “TAKITA DHIN” 2018 was held at ICCR on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2018 by Calcutta School of Music. Four students from Grade 9, Projookta Roy, Sumedha Halder, Teesta

Dasgupta and Jahnavi Garg participated in the same. 15 days of rigorous practice sessions with the choreographer Mr Debraj Goswami and his team led to a beautiful dance presentation with a fusion of Kathak and Bharatnatyam. Keeping the theme of the competition in mind which was “Maitri Mantra” means love, friendship and happiness, the CIS girls danced on the famous rendition on our Nobel Laureate Rabindranath Tagore’s Bhanushingho Padabali, depicting friendship and love between Radha and her Sakhis.



## Interschool Girls Football Tournament at La Martiniere for Girls school

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LMG hosted the Football Tournament for Senior Girls on the 11th of August

2018. The Girls have been practising from July 2018 for this Tournament in the mornings before school hours in the rain and in the mud. The Team lost in the Quarter Finals but played brilliant football. We are proud of each and every student who was a part of the team. They showed great character on and off the field, and were appreciated by one and all.

## CIS Boys Exhibition Football Match

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The Senior Boys played an Exhibition Match on Sunday the 12th of August 2018 against CCFC on their home ground. The boys played against men who have played top flight football and narrowly lost 2-1. It was a brilliant team effort and their hard work needs to be commended. Many parents and students had come to cheer and support

CIS and it was indeed a visual delight to witness.



# International Basketball Tournament: Bangladesh

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I remember the first time I played the game, the first time I attempted to shoot that basketball at the hoop, it didn't matter if it went in or not, all that mattered was the happiness I felt in that moment. All these years later, be it practice or be it competition that still stands true. Recently, I had the greatest honour of representing West Bengal in an International tournament in Bangladesh, and all that resonated in my mind was that happiness.



That happiness stood true in everything, working through the competition, working as a team; fighting on the court to play the game I hold so close to my heart. Yes, it was tough, every morning for two weeks practising at six-thirty, running six kilometres a day, working till my legs quivered, but I honestly can say

“it was worth it.” I had been selected by my coach for the tryouts, and out of the twenty invited, I stood one of the twelve selected, and I was ready to prove myself.



My team and I, stood as family, some who I had played against on the opposite side of the court, some who I hadn't, but now, we all stood together, with a single goal in mind, to win. We fought our way through the preliminaries to stand unbeaten entering the finals, but alas we could not achieve victory. We lost to the home team, twelve points away from the hearts' desire of a triumphant win. Though we couldn't clinch the title of first place, this experience, and this honour is one I will never forget. For all I have learnt and for all that I have achieved I am and will be ever grateful. - **Jeffrey Li (A2)**

# IB GDC Workshop

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A Graphics Display Calculator (GDC) training workshop for the TI-nspire cx model was conducted by Texas Instruments for the IB students on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August, 2018.



The students were shown how to create and save new documents and enter expressions, equations and formulae with proper mathematical notations. They were shown how to solve simultaneous equations in two or three

unknowns, find roots of polynomials and perform differentiation and integration.

The graphing features were quite fascinating. The calculator could be used to plot and explore functions, trace a graph, solve equations and inequalities, find points of intersection of two graphs and generate function tables.

The lecture was supplemented by a couple of guide books and links to an online guide which would help the students to explore the myriad of features available on this new model which had been purchased for the use of the students.

While the IB1 students were excited about their first hands-on experience with the GDC, the IB2 students were discovering new features of this calculator which would help them in their Mathematics and Science exams and explorations. It was a very enriching learning experience for all.

# Confluence 2018

## “The Saga”

Confluence, the CIS school fest organised this year was larger than ever. With guest performers like Zaeden, and 9 participating schools, the students were busy prepping for almost a month. With the core committee consisting of the likes of Vijayant Mehra, Tinish Gupta, Gaavya Singh, Shuvam Roychoudhury, Mayank Sarkar, Shaurya Saboo, Pulkit Jalan, diligent directors and event heads, this year's Confluence was bound to be successful and fun filled. The events included the likes of Western Dance and Music, Pretentious Movie Reviews, Ad Spoof, football, basketball, Humanities Meet, photography and wall art, the students not only enjoyed themselves, but learned and gained experience. The contribution of all the teachers especially the organising teachers Mr. Pratik Shome and Mrs. Susmita Mukherjee are at credit for the smooth flow of events and organised execution.



The Confluence 2018 Core Committee



# Events at Confluence

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## Humanities meet

### **“The representation of reality is not real”**

The fascinating topic of the humanities meet, ‘The Representation of reality is not real’ drew much attention from the audience, participants and judges. Throughout the event, schools were required to give their best in explaining how “the representation of reality is not real.” Interestingly, topics brought up consisted of social media, expectation vs reality, etc. Not only were the participants interacting with each other, but the audience themselves were able to communicate with the participants, asking questions and giving feedback and comments. The event itself would not have been possible without the diligent event head, Sanjula Rajat. Additionally, the winners of the event were CIS, with Moithyl Das and Shraddha Datta teaming up to take the win.





# Fashion Show

## “For the Prada in you”

Once upon a time there were a collection of schools who walked the runway in the most creative costumes of a certain genre. At the end of the run way, the audience witnessed scores of amazingly dressed students of a certain theme, such as romance, action, fairy tales and mythology. A stand out school was Modern High. With the theme mythology, they utilised the stage, quite literally telling the story of Medusa. Not to be forgotten were the vibrantly dressed participants representing different characters from the story they so wonderfully told. Individual awards were given out consisting of the Male Showstopper which was taken home by CIS’s own Prithvijit Pramanik, and the female showstopper which was taken by Rajnandini Agarwal of Modern High School. Modern High won overall, second was Shri Shikshayatan and third CIS. The event would not have been possible if it were not for the event head, Anjali Surana.



# Gaming

## “Fortnite or Forkfight?”

CIS took the initiative to organize a gaming event. Fortnite is a very popular game amongst the gamers today. Teams of 2 participated with 6 teams participating in total. DPS emerged as the winners in a thrilling victory, with CIS's very own Jeffrey Li and Mahin Kumar Singh coming in second and St. Xavier's came in third place.



# Ad spoof

## “Why should boys have all the fun?”

Ad spoof was another fun-filled event at the confluence this year. With a topic like "Why should boys have all the fun", the students had the audience in splits throughout the event. With CIS finishing in first place, St. Xavier's took 2nd place and the Modern High school for Girls, secured third place in the event. The topic was ripped off the TVS scooters advertisement. While the topic hit home for some of the students, most chose to break gender roles and reverse them, while some schools hilariously portrayed how "boys don't have any fun". All in all, the event was massively appreciated by its audience due to its unique and trendy nature.

# Shark Tank

## “Aspiring entrepreneurs”

The concept of Shark Tank is one known to many; aspiring entrepreneurs design products and present to a panel of investors who then choose who they would wish to work with. Even here, the students of Calcutta International showed their dexterity as they went on to win the event with their absolutely brilliant product; Iris. This product had been designed such that it could theoretically translate and read out one’s SMSs for them, aiming to make communication easier for the elderly. The winning team comprised of Ayush Vanzara and Kushagra Poddar, who dazzled the judges with their product.

# Basketball

## “For the King of Currys”

Calcutta International School is known for a lot of things, the prowess of our sports teams being one of those at the top of that list. The Basketball tournament was one of grueling nature as a total of ten teams



proceeded to battle it out on the court in the blazing Kolkata heat. A total of six teams participated in the boy’s tournament, and four in the girls. Competition was fierce, and all played to their hearts contents, but in the end there could be only two winners. The CIS girls’ basketball team stood victorious in

the end as they bested the team from Delhi Public School Ruby Park, and the boys’ basketball finals were one played with nothing but smiles and care-freeness.



The CIS B team had won an absolute nail-biter with the game in sudden death against St. Xaviers Collegiate School to meet the CIS A team in the finals. In the end the CIS A team took the trophy, but both teams stood joyous, having had a chance to play with their own on the grand stage. Our very own Jeffrey Li and Breyton Chung won the Best Player and Top Scorer awards.

## Football

### **“Fever has just started”**

Football is not just a sport, it is a way of life. For those who know the game, it is a feast to the eyes. The dribbles, the passes, the headers, the free kicks, the fouls, the penalties, the off-sides, the saves, the sliding tackles..... Everything has beauty in it. It keeps our hearts pumping faster and that is the exact representation of Confluence Liga where the teams fought it out with everything they had. All that effort, passion, emotion, rivalry, sportsmanship, blood and sweat finally paid off when CIS's very own girls team won the league with LMG coming in second and DPS third in the Girls Category. In the Boys Category St. Xaviers came in first, followed by CIS in the second position and DPS in third position.



# Wall Art

## “Reality vs Myth”



Art can never be limited by the boundaries of a sheet of paper. Following this ideology, confluence served as a breeding ground for creativity, facilitating the transcendence of such boundaries, and the spilling over of it onto the walls of CIS, which the students transformed into their personal canvases. Through the topic 'Reality vs Myth', they conjured stunning visuals from the depths of their imagination and reality alike and in the process explored various cultures that ranged from Indian

to Greek. Out of the spectacular artworks that were born, CIS' took the 1st position, followed closely by murals of St. Xavier Collegiate School and BDM International.



## “Culmination of the hours”

However, irrespective of the winners, the 3 hour session of intense painting gave rise to a set of magnificent murals that display both the talent and voices of our generation.



## Pretentious movie reviews

### “Rotten Tomatoes for sale”

Pretentious movie reviews, an adaptation of the popular format started by Kannan Gill and Biswa Kalyan Rath required the students to analyse movies with satirical twists. This was another fun filled event at Confluence. The audience watched as the contestants hilariously analysed popular movies and reviewed them. The event ended with CIS in first place, St.Xavier's in second and Modern High school in third place. The event was unconventional as the young critics put on their best changing perspectives about popular movies of today.



## Western music

### “For the religion called ROCK”

Western music has had an unparalleled influence on popular culture and today's teenagers. The western band event was thus one of the most loved and awaited events in this year's confluence. Contestants assembled in bands with various instruments and unimaginable skill showcased their talent. This event was hugely successful and was received well because of how strongly the audience could relate and the familiarity they had with the songs that were performed. The judges had a difficult time choosing the winners, however St Xavier's emerged victorious. This was one of the only events where the audience was found requesting the performances to be repeated.



# ZAEDEN

## “Setting the House of CIS on fire”

Known in the dance music circuits as the “Justin Bieber of EDM”, Delhi-based Sahil Sharma aka ZAEDEN, who began DJing at the age of 14 is one of the first Indian electronic music producers to play at Tomorrowland, Belgium and Marenosturm Festival, VH1 Supersonic and Sunburn to name a few. He likes to push boundaries and explore different aspects of being a musician



and his onstage enthusiasm translates into a remarkable energy and vibe. An influencer amongst the millennial generation, he has been endorsed by various music forerunners like Hardwell, Dimitri Vegas, and like Mike, Avicii, Tiësto and KSHMR for being the most promising homegrown electronic music producers from Asia. Everyone from around the city came to witness his magical performance where he belted out tracks from various generations and genres allowing everyone to dance along to his rhythm.



# The Telegraph School Awards 2018

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Calcutta International School is relentless in the pursuit of excellence in the realms of social service, extracurricular activities and academics. And we at CIS are proud to announce that we will be recognized for this relentless effort by Telegraph as we have won the following accolades in the School, Individual and Special categories in **The Telegraph School Awards 2018**:

## **SCHOOL CATEGORY:**

1. Certificate/ s of Merit: Excellence in Extracurricular Activities.
2. Certificate/ s of Merit: The Award for a School That Cares.
3. Certificate/s of Honour: Excellence in Academics.
4. Certificate/s of Honour: The Award for Social Service.

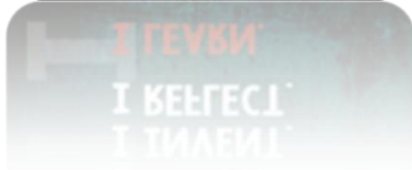
## **INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY:**

1. Devansh Agarwal (A level) - Honour Certificate in Outstanding Talent
2. Isabel Liao (AS level) - Honour Certificate in Outstanding Talent in Sports
3. Franceso Bonacia (IB – Batch of 2018) - Honour Certificate in Outstanding Talent in Sports
4. Yugadekrit Kajaria (Class IX) - Honour Certificate in Outstanding Talent in Sports
5. Anita Saha (A level) – The Award for Courage
6. Nandagopal Narasimhan (Class VIII) - The Award for Courage

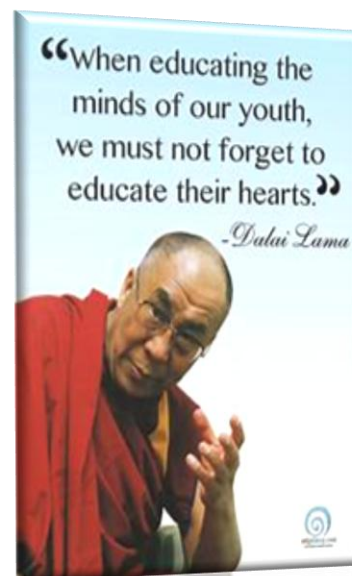
## **SPECIAL INDIVIDUAL HONOUR:**

1. Mrs. Geeta Sundas - The Award for Shining Star
2. Mr. Narasimhan Ranganathan & Mrs. Harini Narasimhan (Parents of Nandagopal Narasimhan) for The Thank You Baba-Ma Award

**Heartiest congratulations to one and all of The CIS  
Family!**



“Education is the  
most powerful  
weapon which you  
can use to change  
the world.”  
- Nelson Mandela



“EDUCATION IS THE KINDLING OF A FLAME,  
NOT THE FILLING OF A VESSEL.”

- SOCRATES

THE BEAUTIFUL THING  
ABOUT LEARNING  
IS THAT  
NO ONE CAN TAKE IT AWAY  
FROM YOU

“*Intelligence plus character-that  
is the goal of true education*”

*Martin Luther King Jr.*

Educating  
the mind  
without  
educating the  
heart is no  
education  
at all.  
—Aristotle

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