



CIS HERALD

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APRIL EVENTS

1.04.19 to 5.04.19 - Primary celebrates 'Author Week'

3.04.19 - Craft Day of Nursery A with parent and child.

3.04.19 - Inter House Throwball tournaments for the following categories:

Boys from classes: 3 - 5 (selected 9 players)

Girls from classes: 3 - 5 (selected 9 players)

5.04.19 - Special Assembly – A talent show by the super stars of Class 1 for their parents

10.4.19 - Craft Day of Nursery B with parent and child

12.04.19 - Special Assembly – Students of Class 2 will share their thoughts and wishes with their parents.

12.04.19 to 22.04.19 - Progression Tests for Classes 3 and 4.

16.04.19 to 18.04.19 - Primary Checkpoint Examinations for Grade 5

23.04.19 - We will celebrate Earth Day

29.4.19 - Math Quiz, Upper Nursery B

30.4.19 - Math Quiz, Upper Nursery A

31st March onwards no ECA will be conducted for the academic year 2018-19.



art Day

A Day for Creative Expression

ART is a profound way of expressing oneself - be it a child or an adult. Every piece of art has a story behind it- in the colours and hues one can easily see the feelings and thoughts of the artist.

Parents of the children of Upper Nursery A and B were warmly invited to participate in a 'Sit and Draw' session in school with their children on 6th and 13th March, 2019 respectively. The children and parents met collectively to give a platform to budding artists and tap the potential of those who may not be aware of their talent. At the same time it was a fun session for both the parent and the child.



**UPPER
NURSERY A**





UPPER NURSERY B



This was the first time ever that an endeavour of such nature had taken place at CIS - parents doing art in collaboration with their children. It turned out to be an unusual yet enjoyable event for all.

Mrs. Nayar, Mrs. Majumdar , Mr. Ghosh (HOD Art) , Mr. Bardhan, the Art teacher, along with the teachers of Upper Nursery were present at this event, which was held in the Music Room. They welcomed and encouraged the participants wholeheartedly.

THE ART OF SPEAKING

The children of Upper Nursery B and A had their Recitation Competition on 7th and 14th March respectively. It was the first time for the little ones to take part in a formal competition of public speaking. The judges were Mrs. Nayar and Mrs. Majumdar and they were amazed to see the level of confidence with which each child recited their poem. All the children came well prepared and recited their poems with clarity, good expression and correct posture. Moreover, they enjoyed doing the recitation and as luck had it, several of them turned out to be winners.

The winners for the Recitation Competition were as follows:



Upper Nursery B

1st - Demira Mukherjee,
Vairaj Jhunjunwala.

2nd - Cho Eun Shin,
Daksh Goyal,
Ishaan Jalan.

3rd - Anaya Churiwala,
Avyaan Jain,
Tejoshrinee Biswas.

Upper Nursery A

1st - Zara Sengupta and
Krishnav Marothia

2nd - Viyaa Surana and
Ishir Jhunjunwala

3rd - Avika Agarwal
and Anika Somani.



The winners will be awarded with certificates very soon!

The French Connection

A 20 member delegation from the French school, SIS Paris Ouest visited CIS on 4th and 5th March, 2019 as part of a student exchange programme. This delegation comprised of 18 Senior School students and 2 Faculty members, Ms. Claire Dray, Director, SIS Paris Ouest and Ms. Michèle May, Head of Geography and History Department at Sections Internatioanl de Sevres.

On the 5th morning, a special assembly was organized by the Junior Section in the AVR, to welcome the French visitors. The programme began with a warm welcome speech by Mrs. Nayar, Junior School Principal, in which she enunciated the long association of France with CIS. She elucidated on the strong connection that India has with France with reference to Puducherry and Chandernagore. Mrs. Nayar also stated that the aim of this exchange programme is to collaborate and foster a closer relationship – class to class, pupil to pupil, school to school and finally between country to country.

This was followed by a short skit staged by the students of Classes 3-5. Under the guidance of the Drama teacher, Mr. Bose and the French Teacher, Mrs. Sarkhel, they enacted the ‘Storming of the Bastille’. The spellbinding performance concluded with a big round of applause by the enthralled audience.

After the skit, the students, with the help of a PPT, provided our guests with a quick overview of Kolkata and the connection this city has with France.





The programme came to a fruitful conclusion with the superb rendition of songs by the Junior School Choir, conducted by Mr. Mukherjee and aided by Mrs. Sarkhel, Mrs. Roy and Mrs. Mazumder. It began with Tagore's song on spring, followed by a very popular French song from the film 'Choristes' and a rhythmic number based on an Assamese folk genre of music.

At the end of the show, Ms. Dray and the students shared their thoughts about the performances of the children, while congratulating them for their sincere effort. They were particularly impressed by their presentation of the French song. The programme reached a grand finale when the visiting faculty members were presented with special mementos by Mrs. Nayar before they moved to the Butterfly area, where they were served traditional Bengali sweets.





Field Trip!



Students of Classes 2, 4 and 5 shared the experiences of the Annual Educational Excursions undertaken by them in the assemblies held across the month of March.



Class 2



Class 4



Class 5



HAPPY HOLI

The Junior and Primary Sections of CIS got together to celebrate spring and the festival of colours in a special assembly held on 20th March, 2018. They sang songs on spring, Holi and Dol and also danced to them along with their teachers. The programme came to a conclusion with Mrs. Nayar and Mrs. Choudhary congratulating the students for their diligent endeavour.



The children of Pre Nursery and Nursery welcomed the colourful season of “**SPRING**” through various songs.





The children of UN A and B enjoyed singing and dancing to this much loved Hindi song “Holi mei Mach Gaya Dhamaal” during their assembly. They were excited to use their water guns pointing them to the audience with full zest and energy.



Class 1 singing KHOL DAR KHOL



Class 2 singing the bhojpuri song - AYE BIRAJ MEIN HOLI RE RASIYA



Class 3 singing NEEL DIGANTE



Class 4 singing FAGUN LEGECHHE BONE BONE



Some students of Class 4 also danced to FAGUN LEGECHHE BONE BONE



Class 5 singing FAGUNERO MOHONAE



Teachers sang "ORE GRIHABASHI"
and
danced to FAGUNERO MOHONAE



LIVING VALUES

Values are an intrinsic part of every human being and it is a matter of rekindling these values through awareness and practical application.

At CIS, Value Education aims at offering a basis for positive growth and change in children and the institution through innovative and experiential methods. The Children of the Junior School learn about innate positive qualities like Peace, Integrity, Love, Truth, Trust and Cooperation. By practising these values, children learn to respect one another, exercise tolerance, and live together in harmony with each other.

The Living Value Wall got a new look this month as the art work of the children of Class 5 was put on display. They worked on these illustrations during the Value Education with Ms L. Khanna. The students churned out the qualities and the quotes to go along with it artistically. The result was something meaningful and unique.



A Special Assembly

Pre-Nursery children were delighted to present a Special Assembly for their parents on 27th of March, 2019.

Pre- Nursery A enacted the Story- '**Monkey Puzzle**' by Julia Donaldson. Thereafter they sang a song using their binoculars called '**Walking in the Jungle**'.

Pre-Nursery B enacted a musical on the popular story of '**Goldilocks and the Three Bears**' followed by an action song based on the various things found near a water body.

All the children joined together to sing a song '**I love you my button nose**'- expressing their love for their parents. The presence of the parents in this Assembly made it even more special and enjoyable for all of us.



PRE NURSERY A





PRE NURSERY B



A very encouraging audience!

We are proud to announce the names of the following students of CIS for their outstanding results at the second level of the Olympiad examinations. Well done!

International English Olympiad:

CLASS 3

1. Neil Gutgutia - International rank 3, Zonal Rank 3

A prize of Rs. 10,000/-, International Bronze Medal and Certificate of Outstanding Performance

2. Dibyesh Sanyal - International Rank 5, Zonal Rank 5

A prize of Rs. 2500/- , Zonal Silver medal and Certificate of Zonal Excellence.

CLASS 5

1. Sayantani Halder - International Rank 14, Zonal Rank 2

A prize of Rs. 5000/- Zonal Gold Medal and Certificate of Zonal Excellence

2. Nehal Saxena - Zonal Rank 17

Certificate of Zonal Excellence

NATIONAL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

CLASS 5

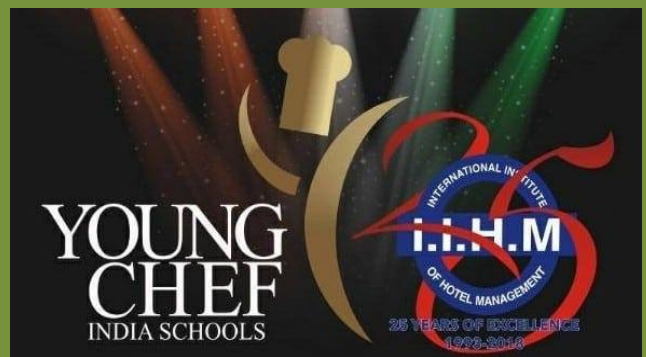
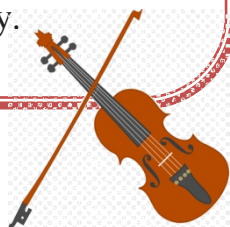
1. Vaibhav Saha Zonal Rank 11

Certificate of Zonal Excellence





Trisha Dasgupta of Class 4B had appeared for a violin examination for the prep level organised by ABRSM last year. She had received an award for being the 'Youngest Promising Musician', which too was awarded by ABRSM. On 24th March 2019, she performed a short violin piece in front of an audience at Loreto House. Thereafter, she was awarded a rolling trophy.



Hrishit Poddar of Class 5A and Adira Singh of Class 4B were selected to participate in the **Young Chef India School - Junior, Regional semi finals 2018**, which was held on **2nd April, 2019**.



vernacular elocution competition

The Vernacular Elocution Competition of the Junior Section of CIS was held on 29th March 2019, in the AVR. It took place class wise and the selected students recited theme-based poetry in their respective vernacular language. The themes chosen exposed the students to a wide range of poems. Mrs. Nayar, Mrs. Choudhary and the judges were highly impressed. They appreciated their performance and encouraged them to read and recite poetry in vernacular languages. The winners were awarded beautifully designed trophies and certificates while the other participants were acknowledged with certificates of participation.



Hindi

Class I – 1st - Prerna Shri Kanoi, 2nd - Viren Chakrabarti, 3rd - Vedang Shah

Class II – 1st - Khyaati Kothari, 2nd - Navya Bagrecha and Hridhaan Gupta,

3rd - Alveena Fatima Jawade

Class III – 1st – Varish Mundra, 2nd - Ihit Dhar, 3rd - Myrah Ali



Bengali

Class I – 1st - Sammagnah Bardhan, 2nd – Damayanti Ray, 3rd – Kayaan Raja

Class II – 1st - Natarsha Roy, 2nd - Reyna Bhawal, 3rd - Srijato Das

Class III – 1st - Rhea Sen Chatterjee, 2nd - Dibyesh Sanyal, 3rd -Oripra Altariel Lasue



Judges Classes 1-3

Bengali- Mrs. Das and Mrs. Mukhopadhyay



Judges Classes 1-3

Hindi- Mrs. Ahuja and Mrs. Chamaria



Emcee -Classes 1 and 2

Bengali - Ms. Ganguli, Hindi - Ms. Dixit



Judges Classes 4 and 5 Bengali

Mrs. Majumdar and Mrs. Mitra



Bengali

Class IV – 1st - Archisha Banerjee, 2nd - Kaavin Raja, 3rd - Anoushka Shanti Ganguli

Class V – 1st - Rohit Roy, 2nd - Sayantani Halder, 3rd - Abhimanyu Chatterjee



Hindi

Class IV – 1st – Eleena Khan 2nd – Devanshee Ruia, 3rd - Arghamaan Dutta

Class V – 1st - Hrishit Poddar and Sampreeta Maheswari, 2nd - Alisha Kampani,
3rd - Rudra Marothia



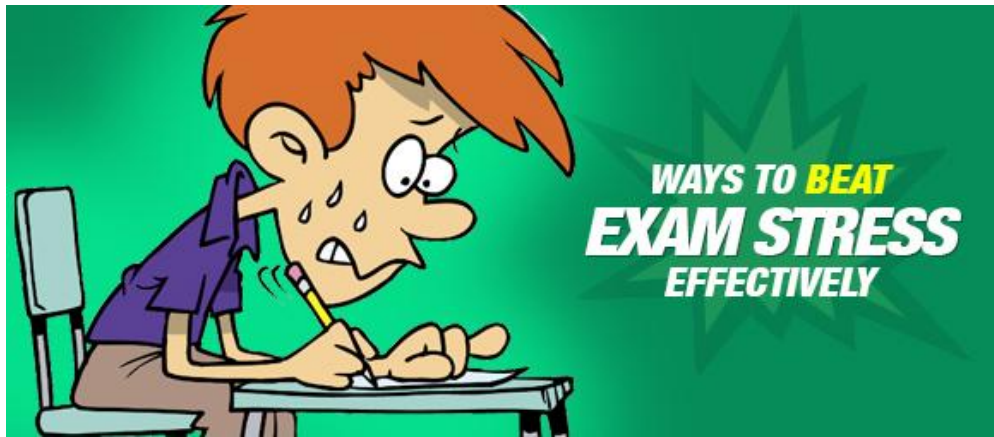
Classes 4 and 5

Emcees Mrs. Singhal(Bengali) and Mrs. Khaitan(Hindi) with Mrs. Nayar and Mrs. Choudhary along with judges Mrs. Jha and Mrs. Dhanuka

From the School Counsellor's Desk

A session on 'accepting differences' was conducted by the School Counsellor, Mrs. Farishta Dastur Mukerji, on 18th and 20th March, 2019 in 3A and 3B respectively.





Spring brings with it cheer, colour, the fresh fragrance of seasonal flowers and also the end of the academic year - end of a journey and the beginning of a new one.

Every end brings with it a culmination of thoughts, feelings and knowledge. This is also the time for academic assessments –tests, Progressions and Checkpoints!

While this can be stressful for some students, it can be a breeze for others. Here are some handy tips to help take you through this time of the year:

- Take regular breaks during the day, and schedule fun things to do as well
- Make exercise and outdoor activities as a part of the regime
- Try not to compare notes about goals with others
- Consider talking /venting to someone you are comfortable with
- Make short term goals. Goals must be realistic, practical and achievable
- Focus on specific topics if you are short of time
- Write down a list of things to do, and keep ticking them off as you finish them. It makes the goal seem more attainable.
- Lastly, remember that there is only so much new information that your brain can process right before the exams. Also, it's essential to keep in mind that exams are important, but they are not the only way to a successful future.

Best of luck to all of you!

The School Counsellor, Mrs. Farishta Dastur Mukerji conducted two sessions with the students of Nursery, on the 13th of March, 2019.

The sessions were aimed at orientating the students about 'Safe and Unsafe Touch', and body safety. The session was conducted with necessary age-appropriate visual aids, which helped the students identify body parts. The students themselves elicited responses about why it is important to be safe, and in particular "Body Safety". The YELL-GO-TELL method was taught to the students about what action they can take in case they face an uncomfortable situation with anyone- at school, home and otherwise. The idea that their "Body" is theirs was reinforced very strongly, in order to create a feeling of ownership amongst the students.

Nursery A



Nursery B

From the ECA Coordinator's Desk

The Junior School Inter House Girls' Cricket Tournament reached its finale on 14th March 2019. Red House emerged as the winner. The runners up position went to Yellow House.

Red House participants - Sampreetta Maheswari, Alisha Kampani, Ayesha Kampani, Shivika Johri, Shivani Bhunia, Aisha Kothari

Yellow House participants – Aadya Almal, Rajanya Deb, Anoushka Shanti Ganguli, Parthvi Kandoi, Aurna B. Chowdhury, Avni Agarwal





The final matches of the Intra ECA Football Tournament were held on 5th, 6th and 11th March, 2019.

Grade 2 – Team C was the winner. (Vedika Gupta, Kaashvi Somani, Vivaan Siotia, Krishiv Poddar, Advay Bansal, Bhhavesh Mukim, Avyan Sharma and Srijato Das)

Grade 3 – Team A was the winner. (Ava Xiu Mei Wu, Navya Kothari, Oripra A. Lasue, Aarish Ray Kapur, Vansh Vir Marda, Ragghav Dabriwal, Cheerojeet Roy, Jagrat Hada and Rudransh Kathotia)

Grades 4&5 Boys – Team C was the winner. (Deepro Roy, Ahan Agarwal, Vivaan Bhushan Gauchan, Humraz Ali Molla, Ahaan Gai, Viraj Chakrabarti, Samarth Vir Singh, Amin Azim)



Grade 2

Grade 3





Grade 4&5 Boys

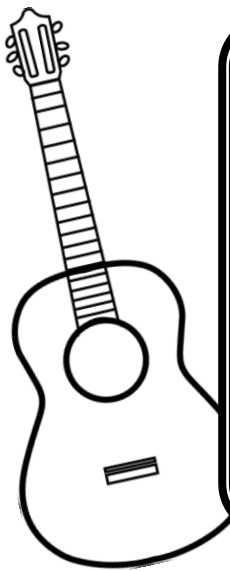
Team B was the winner of the combined teams of girls from Grades 4 to 8. Anoushka Shanti Ganguli of Class 4 was a member of this team.



Table Tennis

The “Beginners” group of students who have opted for Table Tennis as their ECA played their singles match on 9th and 16th March, 2019. Jinay Whora of Class 4A achieved the first position while Shivani Bhunia of the same class achieved the second position.





Guitar

At Calcutta International School, we aim at all round development of the child. We offer a variety of Extra Curricular Activities of which Guitar is a significant part. Playing guitar is a form of therapy as it helps to manage stress, enhance memory and improve communication and motor skills.

The students, trained under the able guidance of Mr. Biplav Singh, presented the Annual Guitar Show on 8th March, 2019.



Taekwondo Display

Students who have opted for Taekwondo as their ECA, displayed the skills that they have learnt throughout the year on 25th and 26th of March, 2019. The skills include - nunchaku , poomsae and fighting according to weight category.





Robotics Display

Spark 2019, the ECA Robotics Exhibition was held from 13th to 15th March, 2019. Students displayed their projects which they have learnt during the course of the year. Each one of the models was a miniature of a larger version.



A meeting with the Junior School teachers was held in the AVR on the 29th of March, 2019 to review the Academic Honesty Policy and the proposed amendments by the Senior School teachers. The meeting was conducted by Mr. Samitava Mukherjee, H.O.D, Mathematics. All the sections of the policy were reviewed minutely and the teachers came up with some thought-provoking suggestions, which will be discussed in the upcoming meetings.



CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate Ms. S. Ganguli and Ms. A Tewari for completing 10 years of dedicated service in CIS.



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