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December Events

Christmas Assembly

14.12.20 - Grade Nursery (Primary), Grade 1 and 2
(Junior)

15.12.20 - Grade Pre Nursery (Primary) and Grade 3
(Junior)

16.12.20 - Grade Upper Nursery (Primary) and Grade 4
(Junior)

17.12.20 - Grade 5 (Junior)

Workshop on Composting

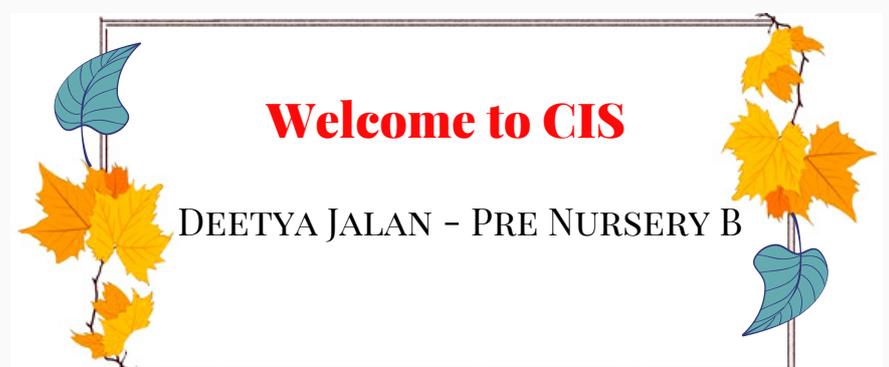
01.12.20 - Grade 4

08.12.20 - Grade 5.



Prize Distribution followed by Carol singing

18.12.20 - Grade 1 to 5





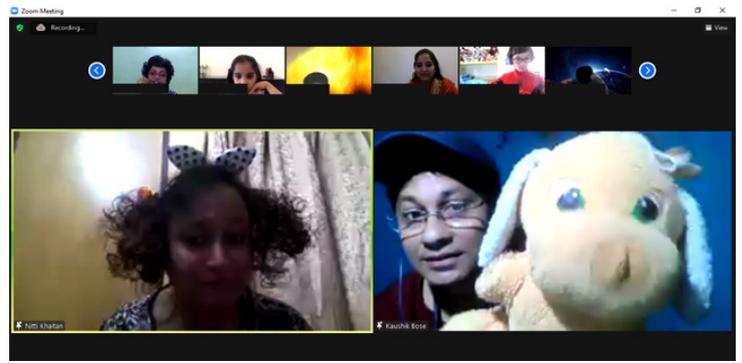
Celebrating Children... Their Hopes and Aspirations

To celebrate childhood which is the most beautiful phase of life, Children's Day was celebrated on the virtual platform on the 12 th of November 2020 for the Primary and Junior Section.

The entire Junior Section came together to witness the first and one of its kind virtual Children's Day celebration. The CEO, Mr. Ayan Pal initiated the programme with words of encouragement as he hailed the students as the keepers of tomorrow. This was followed by loving messages for the students from Dr. Nath and Mrs. Nayar. The main events began with a virtual tour of the school, which took the students completely by surprise. The school was filled with balloons and the entire Admin team assembled in the School atrium to wish the children a happy day ahead.



The emcees for the day Ms. Nitti Khaitan and Mr. Kaushik Bose entertained the audience with their humour as they made the teachers magically appear in new avataars singing, dancing, acting, story-telling, conjuring, playing instruments and enrapturing the students with their talent.



A compilation titled “**Red Riding Hood’s Lockdown treat**” was showcased for the children of the Junior Department by their Primary Teachers. They sang songs, danced, exercised and enacted the various Fairy tale characters which the children could relate to. It felt as if we were back in school once again. Children were mesmerised watching their favourite teachers perform for them and enjoyed each moment of the show as their faces lit up with joy. It made them feel so special.



Mrs. Tinku Yadav - Grandmother to Red Riding Hood, Mrs. Nitti Khaitan - Red Riding Hood
 Mrs. Urmita Das - Goldilocks, Ms. Sarbani Ganguli - Western Dancer, Mrs. Ruchika Lakhani -
 The Magician and Ms. Archana Tewari- Peppa Pig

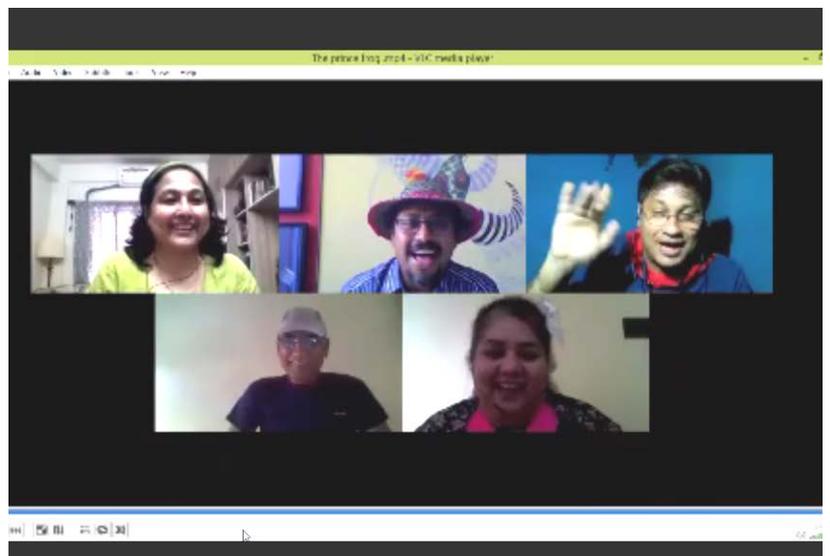


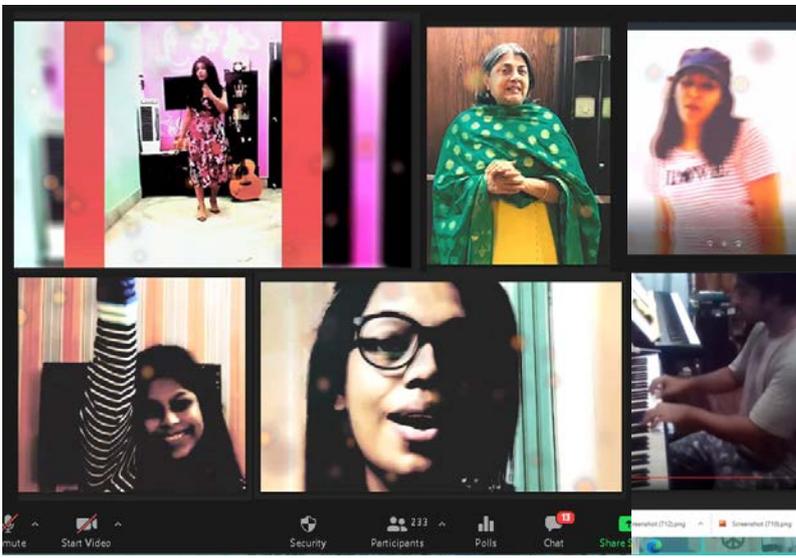
Mrs. Radhika Dhanuka-Baby Beluga, Ms. Priyanka Bhansali-Dora, Mrs. Mousumi Guha-Narrator of a musical, Ms. Neha Dixit-Mickey Mouse and Ms. Gargee Mukherjee-Indian Dancer



Mrs. Pratima Nayar- Cinderella, Mrs. Sharmila Majumdar- Fairy Godmother and the Prince, Ms. Lakshmi Khanna- Barbie

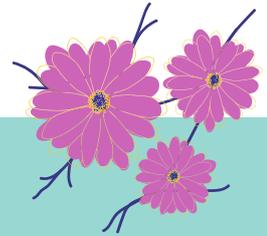
Mr. Bose, Mrs. Yadav, Mr. Bardhan, Mr. Samad and Mrs. Singhal wanted to do something exciting for the students on Children's Day. So, they decided to retell the classic story 'The Frog Prince' by the Grimms brothers but with an interesting twist. Much to the delight of the students, the teachers narrated a revamped and one of its kind play, **'The Prince Frog'**!





Song of Fame

An inspiring song for the children sung by Mrs. Kashmiri Marwah, Mrs. Ruchika Lakhani, Mrs. Subhasree Sarkhel, Ms. Avradita Debnath and Mrs. Shreyaa Dutta Gupta, accompanied by Mr Tathagata Mukherjee on the vocals and the piano.



Wishes From Our Heart

A number of beautiful messages from the teachers for their beloved students. Mrs. Bidushi Brahma, Mrs. Kirti Gandhi, Mrs. Ishmeet Mokha, Mrs. Farishta Dastur Mukerji, Mrs. Gargi Sinha Mitra, Mrs. Bidisha Mujkherjee, Mrs. Meimei Wang, Ms. Khanna and Mrs. Majumdar.



Ebony and Ivory



Harmonious and foot-tapping piano recitals by Ms. Spriha Patronobis and Mr. Tathagata Mukherjee





Rap song

Mrs. Kashmiri Marwah gave the students a musical treat with a rap song on the rules of the classroom.

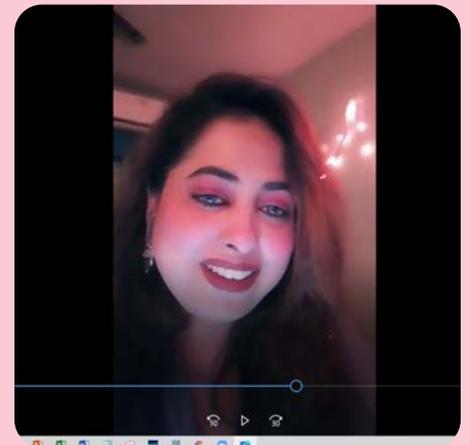
Let us be Healthy

Mr. Kaushik Sinha shared a quick fitness session with the students reminding them of the benefits of regular exercise and healthy eating.



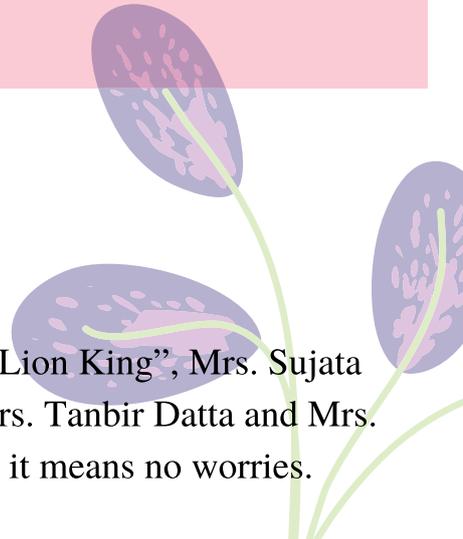
Solo - A song

A musical rendition by Ms. Sarah Iyer.



Hakuna Matata

Through a screenplay voice over of the original Disney Movie “The Lion King”, Mrs. Sujata Ahuja, Mrs. Kashmiri Marwah, Mrs. Schafranski, Mrs. Tania Roy, Mrs. Tanbir Datta and Mrs. Antara Banerjee imparted the valuable lesson “Hakuna Matata”... it means no worries.





Rhythmic Feat

The graceful dancers of CIS put their best foot forward as they swayed to the beats of traditional Bangla songs, grooved to classic Hindi songs and rocked to English chartbusters. Meet the dancers - Mrs. Neelam Choudhary, Mrs. Sushmita Ray, Mrs Shweta Mazumder, Ms.Amanda DuPratt, Mrs. Mousumi Guha, Ms. Gargee Mukherjee, Mrs. Ananya Bhattacharya, Ms. Bidisha Mukherjee, Ms. Urmita Das, Mrs. Radhika Dhanuka and Mrs. Priyanka Bhansali



Three pages - The Magic of Art

The students were wonderstruck by Mr. Sudipta Bardhan's art skills as he paid a tribute to the first Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru, through his painting.



Finally, a day filled with fun and boundless love came to an end with the entire Junior Section dancing to the “HAPPY SONG”.

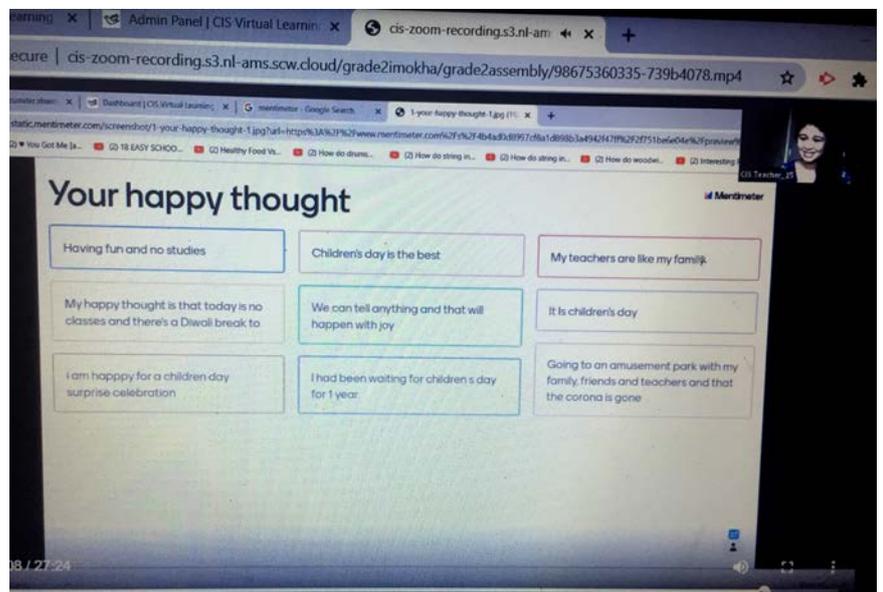


The students of Grades 1 to 5 had a special Children’s Day session with their Class teachers in the morning of 12th November 2020.

Ms. Dupratt and Ms. Mukherjee shared a short poem and card designed for the children of 1A and 1B and the students watched a short animated movie.



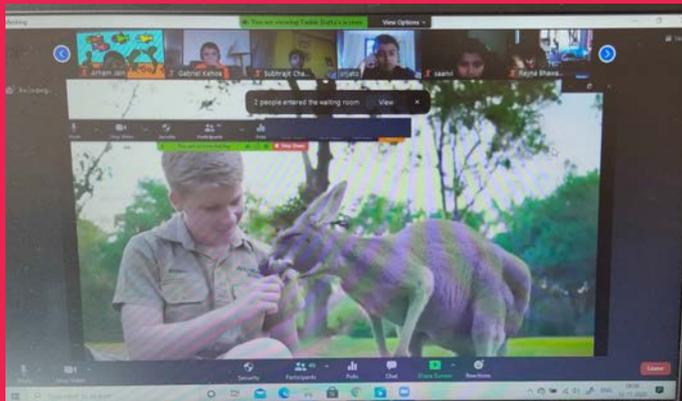
Grade 2 children dressed up in beautiful attires shared their happy thoughts on the mentimeter. They excitedly looked forward to the events of the day.



Students of Grade 3 were enthralled by a duet presentation by their Class Teachers Mrs. Roy who added some graceful movements to Mrs. Sarkhel's beautiful rendition.



The students of Grade 4 were taken for a virtual tour to the zoo in Australia to watch a variety of animals brought from across the world. It was a unique experience. Then, the children were shown a video of their activities and celebrations in school. It was a nostalgic trip down the memory lane.



The students of Grade 5 A and B shared their love for music, pets and superheros. The Children's day celebration kick started on a happy note.



Diwali - Spreading the light of Happiness



Illuminating their hearts with the light of hope, the children of Pre Nursery A painted diyas and rangoli with their parents to welcome the festival of Diwali.

Children of Pre Nursery B heard the mythological story of Diwali. They made beautiful "toran" to adorn their doorways for the "Festival of Lights".



Mr. Kasera, was invited as a parent visitor to celebrate Diwali with Nursery B. He shared the story of Diwali and created awareness amongst the children about today's Raavan namely deforestation, pollution and Corona. This session was followed by a short meditation session. Stick puppets of characters from Ramayana were shared.



Children of Upper Nursery B ushered the festive spirit of Diwali by sharing colourful crafts made by them and promised not to burst crackers this year. The story of Deepawali was shared with them.



Children of Upper Nursery A dressed up in bright colours to celebrate Diwali in class. They had a ceremony to symbolize that each one of them is a bright sparkling star, enlightened and radiant. They made colourful Torans and Diyas to decorate their homes.



PARENT VISITORS

Nursery A, was lucky to have two parent-visitors this month.

Reyaan's mother, Mrs. Agarwal shared a story of the autumn festival 'Diwali' and did a 'Diya' craft with the children.

Tristaan's mother, Mrs. Bulsara shared a peppy underwater song followed by an interactive memory game.

Both the sessions were fun-filled and enriching.



PRE NURSERY - COFFEE MEET

An endeavour to create a strong parent-teacher bond, for sharing views and feedback to promote growth and development of the young minds. The Virtual Coffee meet for Grade Pre Nursery was held on 11th of November 2020 and was attended by our Junior Principal - Mrs.Nayar, Section head- Mrs.Majumdar, Science Coordinator-Mrs.Ahuja and Math Coordinator -Mrs.Banerjee.



The feedback received was encouraging and parents expressed their gratitude and were happy to see their young ones adapt to the online platform.



Languages

Language plays a crucial role in the child's life-long learning and communication as it fosters inter-cultural respect, encourages students to recognise and appreciate cultural diversity and promote respect for all languages.

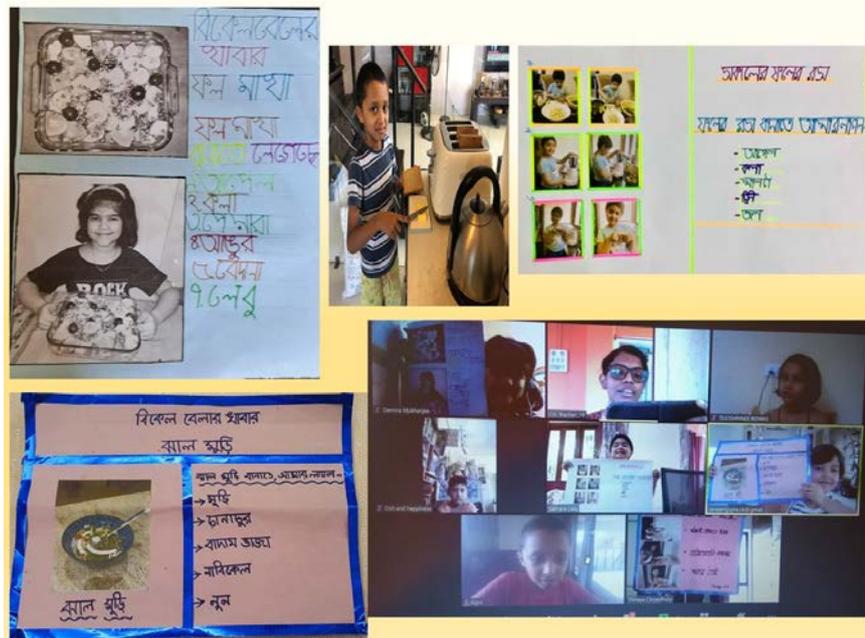
Though the times have been challenging, the teachers of the different languages of the Junior Section with the use of technology and the different learning applications have made learning the languages easy, engaging and effective for the young learners. So, let's take a peek into the language lessons of Junior School.



Bengali

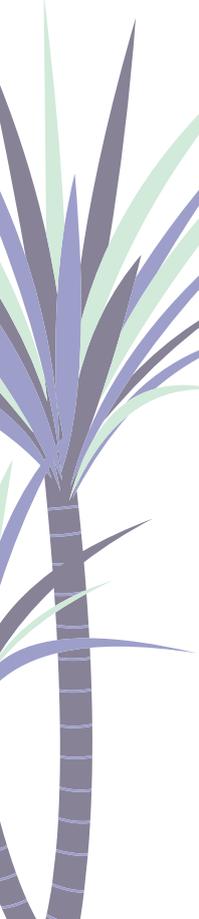
The young learners of **Grade 1** gradually gaining confidence with their letter sound association, alongside enriching their vocabulary and their creativity.

Students of **Grade 2**, excited about their evening snacks, work on a project and share simple snack recipes in class with their friends.

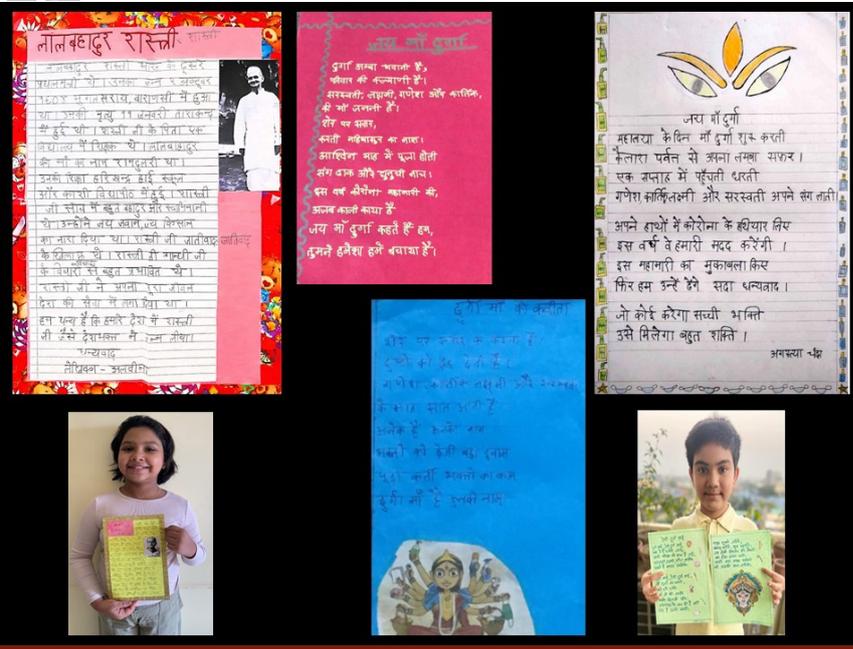
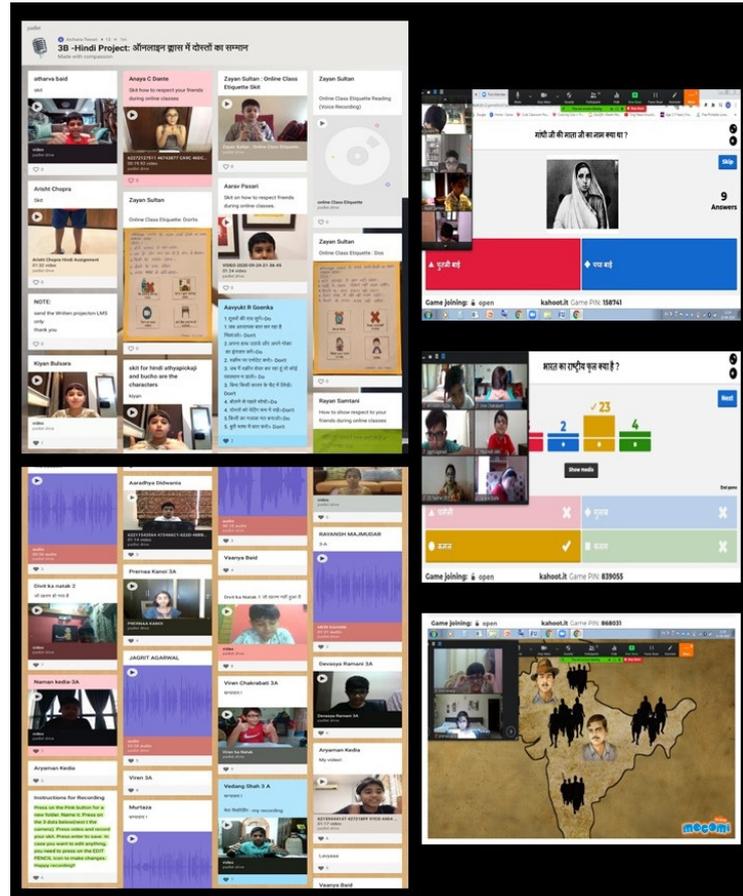




Grade 2 students get an exposure to the language through various stories and vocabulary building exercises online. In a class project, they listed and illustrated words that they have learnt by choosing a letter and its corresponding 'matra'.



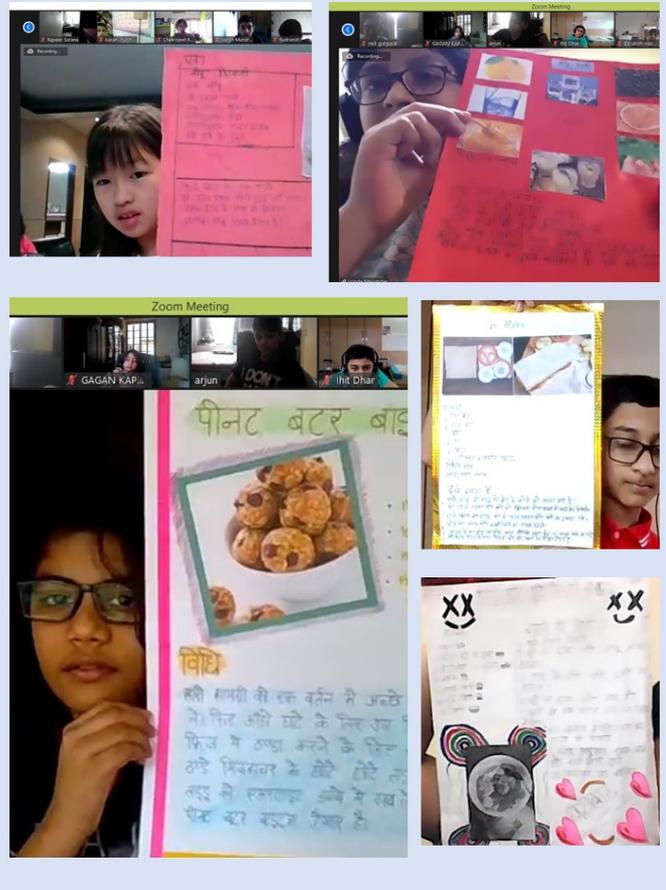
Grade 3 - Breaking barriers in learning through technology: Students use online digital tools like 'Padlet' and 'Kahoot' to make learning Hindi innovative, creative as well as have fun. Through the use of various online platforms, voice notes, images, videos of their skits and their Hindi speaking skills could be recorded. Quiz sessions in Hindi motivated the learners to learn new topics as well as score points while answering within the time limit.



Research not only takes a student's learning beyond the classroom wall but it also helps to develop their confidence, communication and presentation skills in the language. The enthusiastic batch of Grade 4 students researched on freedom fighters, wrote stories and poems as they prepared for their autumn celebrations and shared the same with their peers and teacher with confidence. Kudos to them!



‘Healthy recipes to combat the Covid 19 pandemic.’ The students of Grade 5 shared recipes like honey lemon water, turmeric latte, salads, snacks and sandwiches during their online classes. This exercise helped in vocabulary development, write in the correct sequence. Enriching exposure for the students!



French



Grade 3 learnt to speak about their family in French. The debutants wrote beautifully about their family on Padlet under the heading <Ma Famille – My Family>.

MA FAMILLE
DÉBUTANTS (1 FAMILLE)

Kiyan - Ma famille
Ma grand-mère s'appelle Mme. Isha Bhatia. Elle a 74 ans. Elle parle quatre langues. Elle est adorable. Ma mère s'appelle Mme. Neha Bhatia. Elle a 35 ans. Elle parle trois langues. Elle est jolie. Mon père s'appelle M. Isha Bhatia. Il a 36 ans. Il parle quatre langues. Il est intelligent. Mon frère s'appelle M. Trishan Bhatia. Il a 4 ans. Il parle trois langues. Il est méchant mais rigolo.

La famille de Prerna
Mon grand-père s'appelle M. Vinod Kanoi. Il a 70 ans. Il parle 2 langues. Il est drôle. Ma grand-mère s'appelle Mme. Manjula Kanoi. Elle a 65 ans. Elle aime cuisiner et coudre.

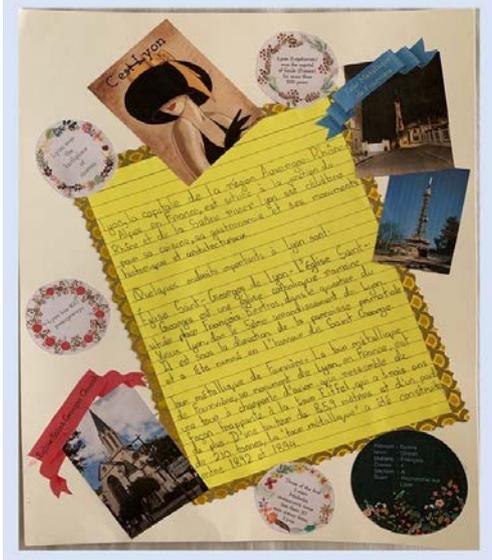
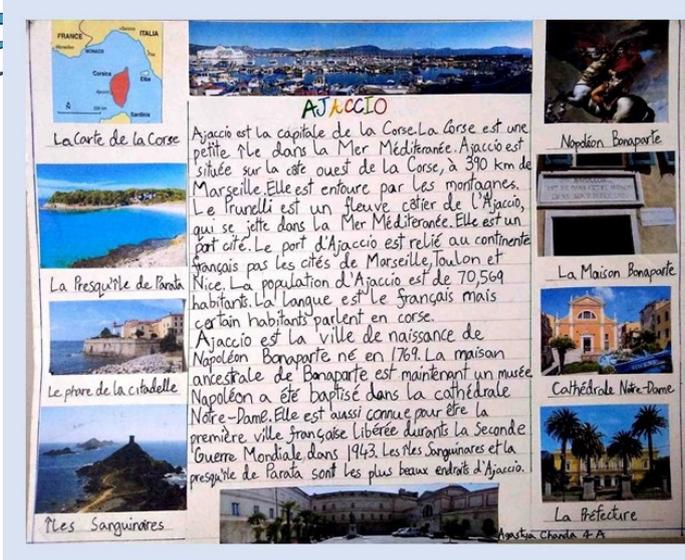
Murtaza
Mon grand-père s'appelle M. Yashu Jhark. Il a 80 ans. Il aime le football. Il est très intelligent. Ma mère s'appelle Mme. Farida Jhark. Elle a 34 ans. Elle est jolie et intelligente. Ma sœur s'appelle Zainab Jhark. Elle a 10 ans. Elle aime la glace.

Sanaya
Mon grand-père s'appelle M. Mohini Ramani. Il a 81 ans. Il parle trois langues. Elle est adorable. Ma mère s'appelle Mme. Shreya Ramani. Elle a 41 ans. Elle parle trois langues. Mon père s'appelle M. Vinod Ramani. Il a 46 ans. Il aime le cricket. Bonjour! Je me présente. Je m'appelle Devasya Ramani j'ai huit ans. Je suis élève à Calcutta International School. Je suis enfant unique. Bonne nuit.

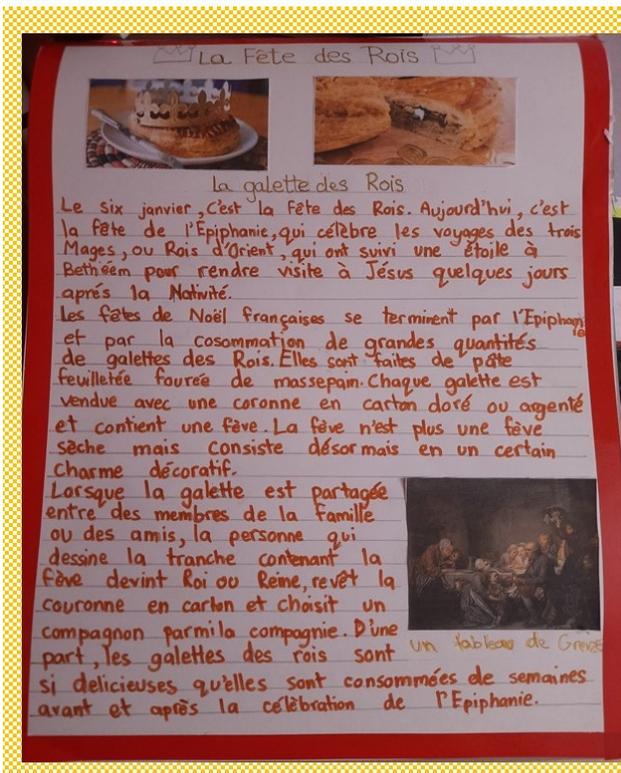
Devasya
Ma grand-mère s'appelle M. Anuradha Kalia. Elle a 73 ans. Elle est intelligente. Ma grand-mère s'appelle Mme. Tara Sharma. Elle a 69 ans. Elle est adorable. Mon père s'appelle Vivek Sharma. Il a 46 ans. Il est beau.

Ma famille - AYAANSH JAIN
Mon grand-père s'appelle M. Pawan Jain. Il a 73 ans. Il parle trois langues. Il aime jouer au ludo. Il est adorable. Ma grand-mère s'appelle Mme. Purnima Jain. Elle a 69 ans. Elle parle 3 langues. Elle aime écouter mes chansons. Elle est drôle. Mon père s'appelle M. Puneet Jain. Il a 46 ans. Il parle 3 langues. Il aime jouer au cricket. Il est joli. Ma mère s'appelle Mme. Shweta Jain. Elle a 40 ans. Elle parle 2 langues. Elle aime cuisiner. Elle est très intelligente. Ma sœur s'appelle Anushka. Elle a 1 an. Elle aime dormir. Elle est drôle et mignonne. Merci!

Ruheen Hossain
Mon grand-père s'appelle M. Abdul Salam Chakladar. Il a soixante-cinq ans. Il parle bengali. Il est sympathique. Ma grand-mère s'appelle Mme. Salma Begum. Elle a soixante ans. Elle parle bengali. Elle est adorable. Mon père s'appelle M. BM Jamal Hossain. Il a quarante-cinq ans. Il parle deux langues. Il est fonctionnaire. Ma mère s'appelle Mme. Abida Hossain. Elle a trente-six ans. Elle parle bengali. Elle est l'artiste.



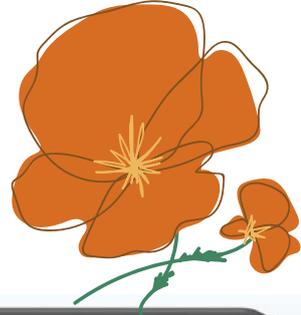
Grade 4 has been learning about the geographical features of France, its topography and also its cities (les villes françaises). Each student took a city of their choice and researched its significance, interesting facts and its geographical position. This gave them the opportunity to step out of Paris and know the country better alongside enhancing their interest in the language.



To get an insight into the cultural aspect of France and gather knowledge about the customs and traditions of France, the students of Grade 5 researched the festivals celebrated in France for their project (Les fêtes en France). While some focussed on festivals very unique to France such as Mardi Gras, La Fête des Rois or La Fête Nationale de France, others preferred to work on the more common ones such as Noël (Christmas), Pâques (Easter), la Fête de la Musique etc.

Herrliche willkommen!
(warm welcome in Deutsche)

German



Having studied the German language for the last two years, students of Grade 5 worked on various projects.

- About their lifestyles and daily routine.
- About the family Seidenberg from Hamburg, the two children, their parents, their two cats and a pony.
- About the famous Durga Puja festival of Kolkata

Es gibt eine Familie die wohnen in München, Deutschland. Der Vater heißt Hendrik Siedenburg. Die Mutter heißt Nicole. Sie haben zwei Kinder Tamme und Jelle. Tamme ist ein Kinder und Jelle ist ein Mädchen. Sie gehen zur Schule. Der Vater is Ingenieur und die Mutter arbeitet bei einer Apotheke. Sie haben zwei Katzen und ein Pony. Die Katzen wohnen mit der Familie und das Pony wohnt auf dem Farm.

WANN WIRD ES GEFEIERT

Durga Puja 2020 in Indien beginnt am **Donnerstag, 22. Oktober** und endet am **Montag, 26. Oktober**

Die Menschen bauen während der Durga Puja viele Ornamente und Statuen.

Das ist eine handgemachte Statue von Durga Ma.

0:30 Uhr
Ich fange mit der Schule an und Fertig durch 1:30 Uhr.

1:30 Uhr
Ich esse mit meiner Familie zu Mittag. Heute haben wir Currywurst und Reis.

2:30 Uhr
Ruhezeit!

Row 4

Dort ist ein bräutigam und braut in das Geschäfte. Die sind Vorbereitung auf die Verheiratet. Die Eltern von das sind sehr froh weil diese Kinder sind verheiratet. Nach dem eine froh ehe. Die Brautpaar sind glücklich.

Danke!

Mandarin

The students of Grade 4 take turns to present their project on 'Our School' during the online class as their classmates and Lǎoshī (teacher) give a patient hearing.

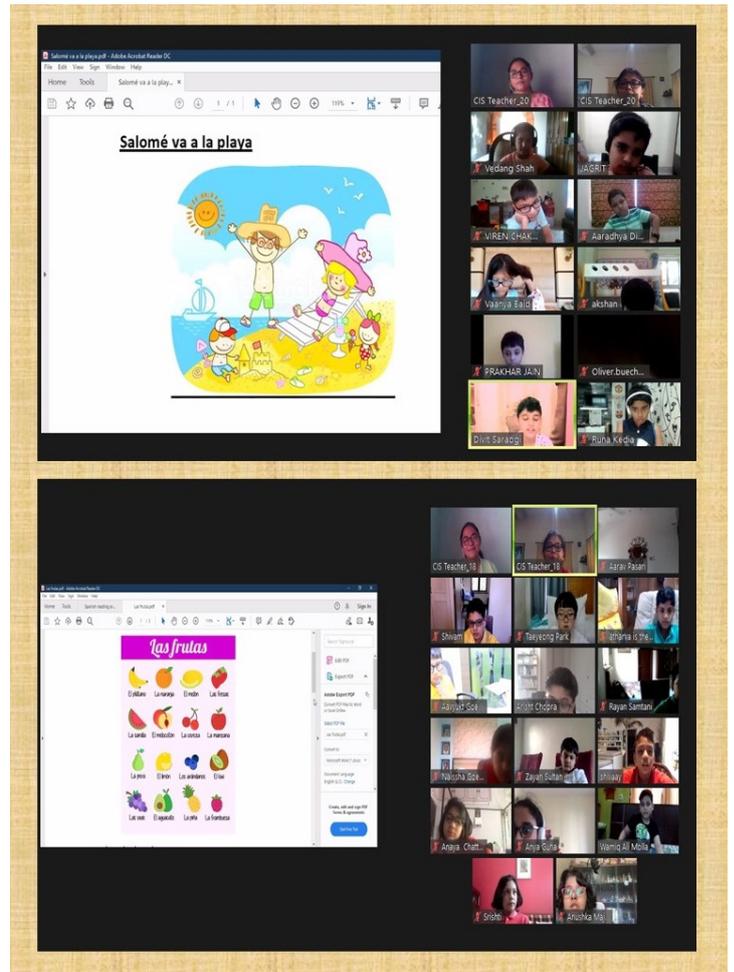
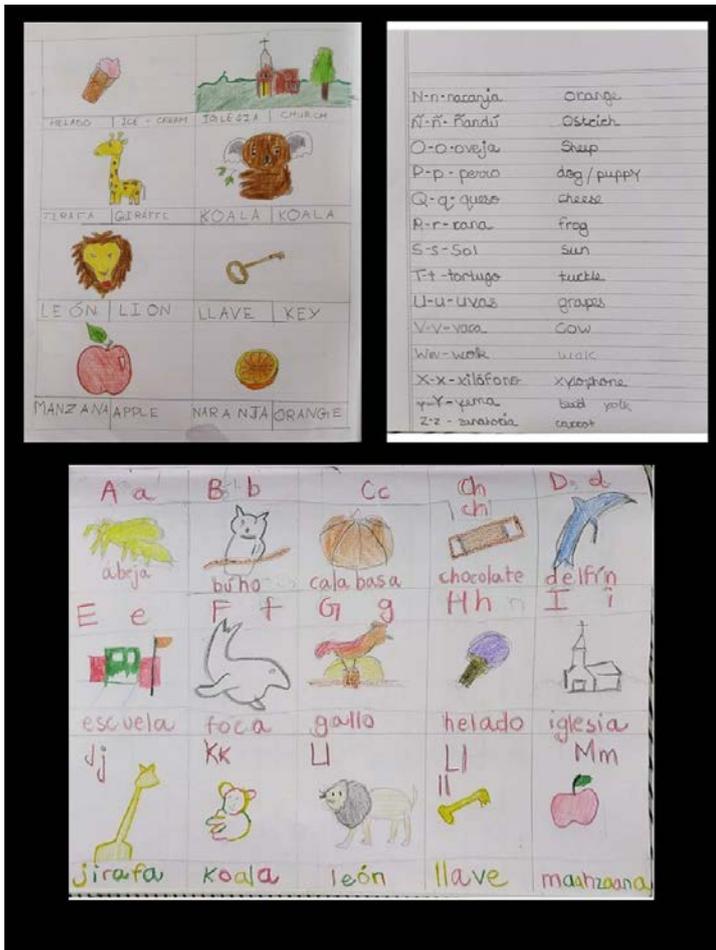
Xiànzài jǐ diǎn?
A: 现在几点?
Xiànzài shí diǎn shí fēn.
B: 现在十点十分。
Zhōngwǔ jǐ diǎn chī fàn?
A: 中午几点吃饭?
Shí'èr diǎn chī fàn.
B: 十二点吃饭。

English Version	New Words
A: What's the time now?	1. 现在 xiànzài n. now
B: It's ten past ten.	2. 点 diǎn m. o'clock
A: When shall we have our lunch?	3. 分 fēn m. minute
B: At twelve o'clock.	4. 中午 zhōngwǔ n. noon
	5. 吃饭 chī fàn v. to eat a meal

What makes learning a language fun and interesting? Students of Grade 5 enjoy learning Mandarin as they interact with each other during the oral activity with role play cards to enhance their skills of communication and vocabulary development.

Spanish

"Once you can write an alphabet, you can write a book of 100 million pages. It's just a matter of believing it as possible, and taking the cross millimetre by millimetre." - Israelmore Ayivor.



Grade 3 students started their Spanish lessons with Spanish alphabets and made beautiful presentations of Spanish letters and objects along with their English meanings. Through the months, the students are being exposed to Spanish vocabulary and are gradually learning picture description and comprehension. It is a delight to see their interest in learning and communicating in the language.

Gracias

CONGRATULATIONS

IIHM Young Chef Junior



Heartiest congratulations to Anjini Dasgupta of Class 5, for qualifying and participating in the online East Zone Finals of IIHM Young Chef Junior.

Olympiad 2019

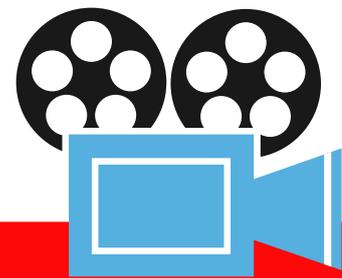
CIS congratulates the following students for their remarkable performance in the 2nd level of **Olympiad 2019**.

Congratulations on winning a cash prize

- Aaradhya Didwania - class 2
- Agastya Chanda - Class 3
- Neil Gutgutia - Class 4
- Meeheeka Mukherjee - Class 5

Congratulations on winning a gift certificate

- Aveer Sharaff - Class 1
- Demira Mukherjee - Class 1
- Divisha Kejriwal - Class 1
- Arisht Chopra - CLASS 2
- Viraj Chakrabarti - Class 5
- Parthvi Kandoi - Class 5
- Shivam Himatsingka - Class 2
- Neil Gutgutia - Class 4

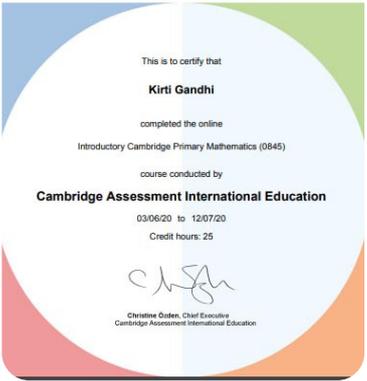
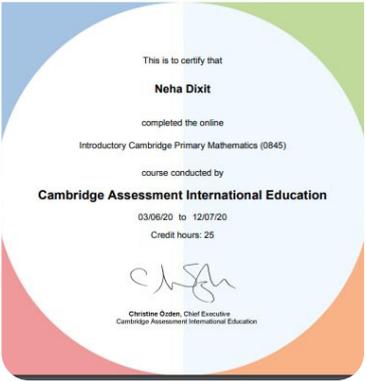
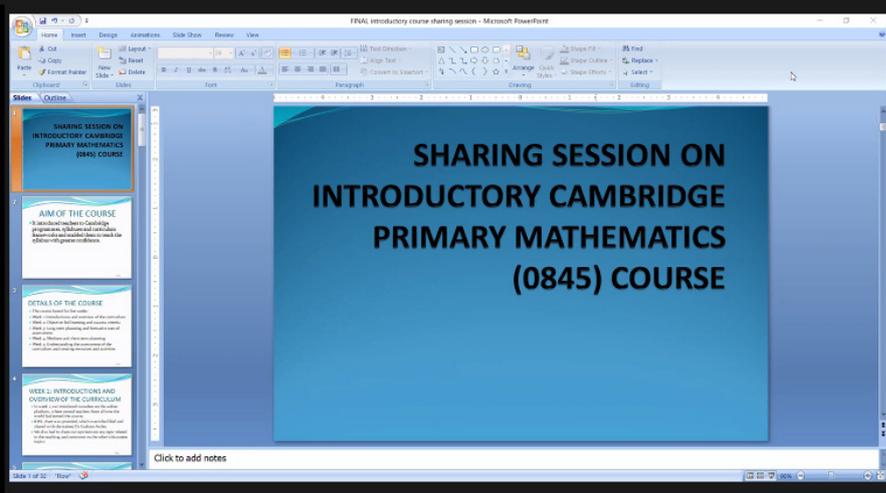


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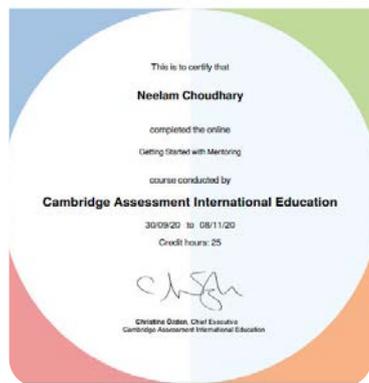
Knowledge Sharing and Teachers' Training

On 12th November Mrs. K. Gandhi and Ms.N. Dixit shared their enriching experience and innovative techniques learnt during the online training on **INTRODUCTORY CAMBRIDGE PRIMARY MATHEMATICS (0845) COURSE** with the math teachers. They shared a few tips that can make time management work to a teacher's advantage in the classroom. The session was helpful in developing the knowledge and skills required to make the teaching learning process effective.





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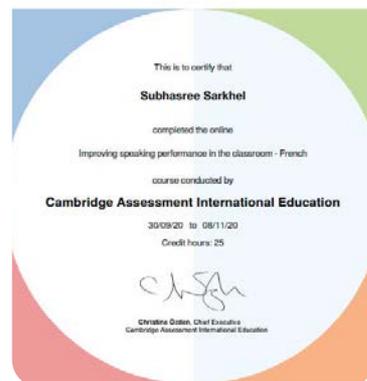


Mrs Neelam Choudhary completed a five week Cambridge professional training programme –“Getting started with mentoring” from 30th September to 8th November 2020. The training provided an in-depth understanding of the various techniques of mentoring. The interaction with educators from different parts of the world was interesting and enriching.

Mrs. Subhasree Sarkhel completed a CAIE 5 week long online course on ‘Improving speaking performance in the classroom – French’. The course tutor was Ms. Jasmine Creese, a UK based French and Spanish language teacher and CAIE Examiner. The course explored aspects of the ‘speaking element’ in the learning of French as a foreign language and to understand the different ways to incorporate ‘speaking’ in the lessons and the various strategies to encourage the learners to improve speaking this language. French language teachers across the world exchanged their thoughts and ideas which culminated to an extremely enriching 5 weeks



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