



# Parent's Newsletter

## Senior School

### August 2021



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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

DATE	EVENT
2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Session on Stress Management for IBDP Year 2
4 <sup>th</sup> August	EE workshop for all IBDP teachers
5 <sup>th</sup> August	Business Quiz and Activity Day for Senior Section
6 <sup>th</sup> August	Senior Section Session on Netiquette
11 <sup>th</sup> August	IBDP Seminar on Visual Arts: Organised by IBDP Year 2 students
13 <sup>th</sup> August	Independence Day celebration for Middle Section
13 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Confluence
17 <sup>th</sup> August	English Department Debate for grades 9, 10, A levels and IBDP
20 <sup>th</sup> August	IBDP Outreach
27 <sup>th</sup> August	Session on Photography and Interpretation with Rahul Maheshwari for IBDP Year 1.

# TECHRADIANCE: ROBOTICS

## BOOT CAMP

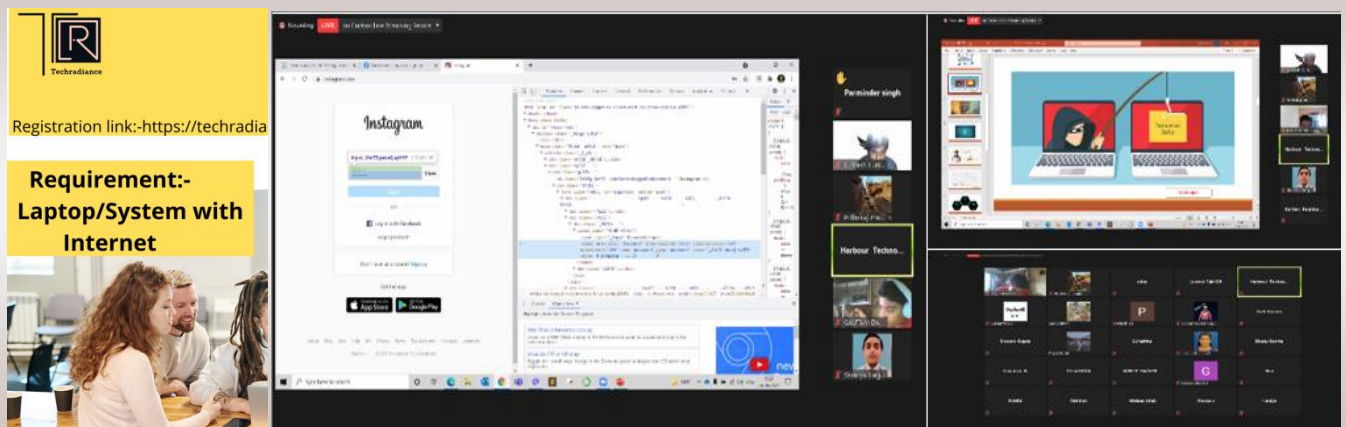
Under the guidance and support of Senior School Principal, Mr. Ayan Pal and Physics Teacher of Senior School, Mrs. Tania Ghosh; students of Senior and Middle Section students participated in a course on ethical hacking from 25th June to 1st July, 2021 which was organised by Techradiance.

In this world of advancing technology and Artificial Intelligence, the number of threats has also risen and so has the need for cyber security. The course addressed skills like website editing, changing MAC address and many other Command prompt commands. Students learnt how to send encrypted messages to people, what the several different types of hacking involve and many other dimensions of cyber security.

Prithviraj Jhunhunwala (Grade AS 2) found the course “a wonderful opportunity” which offers “a starting point for people who want to pursue this as their career in the future”.

Rwitoban Biswas (Grade 8A) excitedly reported that, “It was a fun coding bootcamp and I learnt how to use Arduinos and make online circuits.”

Rohit Dey (Grade 8A) and Abhimanyu Chatterjee (Grade 8B) also shared their enthusiasm about the advanced concepts taught and the expertise of the Techradiance team.



# CIS MUN 2021

Overcoming the constraints posed by the challenges of remote education, the CIS MUN and Debate Club of Calcutta International School hosted the prestigious CISMUN. Thanks to the tireless effort of the student leaders and their dedicated work, the event was yet another huge success.

From the desk of the CISMUN Student Office Bearers:

"After missing the chance to host it in 2020, the MUN & Debate club of CIS were determined to make sure they would host the annual CISMUN in 2021. The Conference simulated 5 committees, the UNSC, ASEAN, UNGA, UNHRC, and UNHRC. The organising committee of the conference ensured that the three days of the event were fun for all. All participating delegates took part in heated debates and discussed a plethora of issues in an attempt to concur on them, following the goal of the event, "reform to resolve". With 121 students from 14 schools from 5 cities taking part, CISMUN even awarded the best delegate winners with a trophy sent to their homes. CISMUN was a tremendous success and raised ₹30,250 for the Hope Kolkata Foundation."

We congratulate the students on the successful completion of the event. We are extremely proud to see the way our future leaders have ensured that everything was organised to perfection

## AWARDS ANNOUNCED AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY

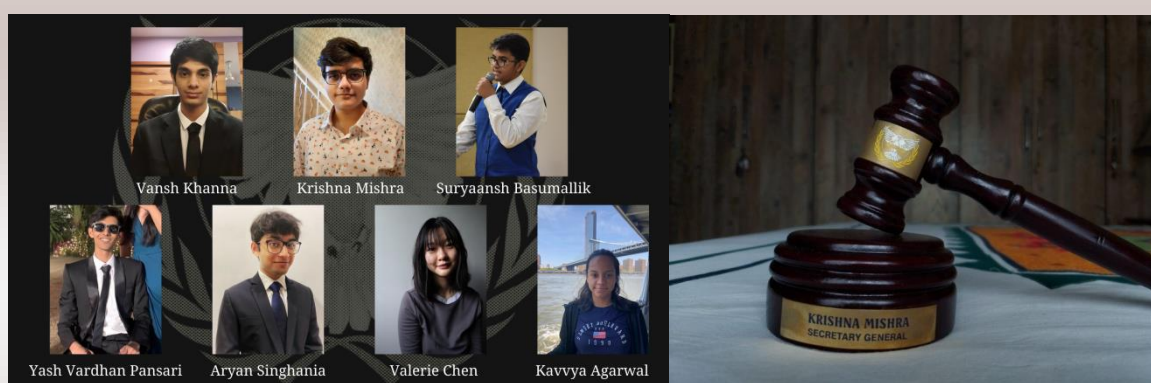
Awards announced at the closing ceremony:

Committee	Award	Allotment	Name	School
ASEAN	Best Delegate	Korea, R	Eshaan Bannerjee	
ASEAN	Best Delegate	USA	Khushboo Gupta	Lakshimpat Singhania Academy
ASEAN	Outstanding Delegate	Russia	Achintya Newatia	Don Bosco Park Circus
ASEAN	1st Special Mention	Philippines	Riva Agarwal	Calcutta International School
ASEAN	2nd Special Mention	Vietnam	Amit Kanti Saha	The Heritage School
IPC	Best Delegate	BBC	Aarav Bharany	Lakshimpat Singhania Academy
IPC	Outstanding Delegate	Al Jazeera	Yashita Choraria	Modern High School
IPC	Special Mention	Rachel Maddow	Shriya Biswas	Modern High School
UNGA	Best Delegate	Russia	Aaryan Magan	Don Bosco Park Circus
UNGA	1st Outstanding Delegate	Kuwait	Tuneer Biswas	Don Bosco Park Circus
UNGA	2nd Outstanding Delegate	India	Advik Harlalka	Calcutta International School
UNGA	1st Special Mention	USA	Adrija Sen	Modern High School
UNGA	2nd Special Mention	Switzerland	Zulekha Akhtar	Calcutta International School
UNHRC	Best Delegate	Yemen	Hreed Gupta	St Xavier's Collegiate School
UNHRC	Outstanding Delegate	Russia	Devansh Sharma	Don Bosco Liluah
UNHRC	Joint 1st Special Mention	Syria	Atrijo Sengupta	The Heritage School
UNHRC	Joint 1st Special Mention	Turkey	Harshita Saraf	Lakshimpat Singhania Academy
UNHRC	2nd Special Mention	UK	Hiranya Gakhar	Strawberry Fields High School, Chandigarh
UNSC	Best Delegate	USA	Aakarsh Bafna	Don Bosco Park Circus
UNSC	Outstanding Delegate	China, PR	Preyashi Agarwal	The Heritage School
UNSC	1st Special Mention	Malaysia	Raunak Mukherjee	The Heritage School
UNSC	1st Special Mention	Indonesia	Anirudh Mukherji	Calcutta International School
UNSC	2nd Special Mention	Russia	Shrinjana Ghosh	Modern High School

## AWARDS FOR CIS STUDENTS

The following were the awards given to students of CIS:

Committee	Award	Allotment	Name	Class
UNGA	2nd Outstanding Delegate	India	Advik Harlalka	10
ASEAN	1st Special Mention	Philippines	Riva Agarwal	9
UNSC	1st Special Mention	Indonesia	Anirudh Mukherji	10
UNGA	2nd Special Mention	Switzerland	Zulekha Akhtar	IB1
ASEAN	Verbal Mention	Papua New Guinea	Dongin Lee	10
ASEAN	Verbal Mention	Cambodia	Oindrila Pal	8





# INTERACTIVE SESSIONS WITH THE SENIOR PRINCIPAL

At the start of the academic year a series of Interactive Sessions were organised with the Senior School students, with Senior Principal and CEO of Calcutta International School, Mr. Ayan Pal.

The Sessions were held on the following dates:

16<sup>th</sup> July- Grades 6 to 8

22<sup>nd</sup> July- A2 Levels and IB Year 1

23<sup>rd</sup> July- AS Levels and IB Year 2

26<sup>th</sup> July- Grades 9 and 10

The enjoyable and engaging sessions involved discussions on various relevant topics such as Literature, Theatre, Art, leisure time activities and life lessons. The freewheeling discussions allowed the students and Mr. Pal to get better acquainted with each other ending with words of encouragement for a promising academic session ahead.



**As knowledge  
increases, wonder  
deepens.**

# MIDDLE SECTION ADDRESS

## BY

### SECTION HEAD



The Middle School Section Head, Mr Surya Subha Banerjee, conducted a joint Middle School Assembly session with the students on 16th of July. The aim of this session was to ease the students into the new academic year.

With the Tests Cycle that have started and the assignments that have started pouring in, this session aimed at helping the students use their time effectively and to manage stress better.

The session started with the launch of the Middle School Science Magazine "Eureka" and then a short address by the CEO and Senior School Principal Mr Ayan Pal.

Mr Banerjee then introduced a Study Planner and taught the students how to prioritise subjects based on what is due the following day or week. Finally, Mr Banerjee shared the planner with the students and the same was emailed to them later for them to follow.

Being challenged in life  
is inevitable, being  
defeated is optional.

ROGER CRAWFORD

# EUREKA: EMPOWERING MINDS

The Middle Section Joint Assembly on 16th July saw the launch of the Middle School Science Magazine "Eureka", by students of Grade 8.

Eureka is a student-led organization that was introduced by grade 8 , which allows students to explore the boundaries of science through various different mediums. What began as an idea during a chemistry lesson, soon emerged into a fully fledged magazine and club for Middle Section. The club's main goal is to promote and connect science to daily lives. One of the key aspects of this club is to make sure that everyone has a role to play, and all passions and talents are welcomed.

At the assembly the core club members, eighth graders Alisha Kampani, Advay Nathany, Ayesha Kampani, Deepro Roy and Oindrila Pal; proudly announced, "Our plan is for Eureka to be a permanent aspect of the Middle School of CIS. We look forward to seeing Eureka grow.



**Bijita Ganguli Roy, HOD of Science**  
**"Bringing Science to the masses "**

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# COUNSELLING: A JOURNEY TOWARDS MENTAL WELL BEING

## SESSION ON NETIQUETTE WITH STUDENTS

Students of grade 9 attended a life skills session on Netiquette, conducted by the school counsellors on 16th July 2021. The session focused on the impact of Digital Footprint on our personal and professional lives. The interactive session provided students with insight into strategies for developing Digital Wellbeing.

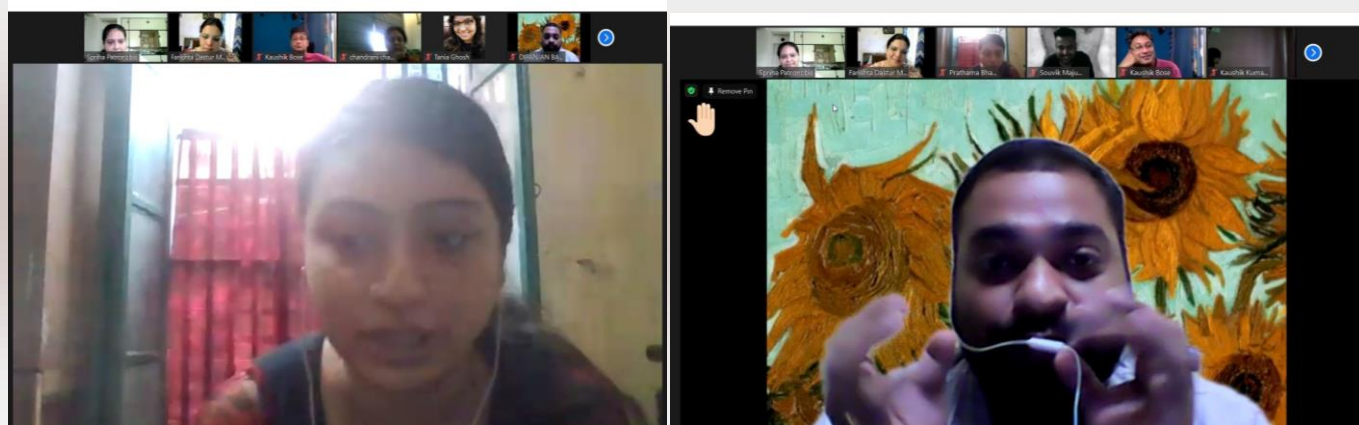


**What does our Digital Footprint comprise of**

- Accounts and profiles (info, DP)
- Privacy settings
- Posts/stories made by self (including hidden/ archived)
- Reactions to others' posts (comment, share, like)
- Affiliations (pages and groups liked/ subscribed)
- Instant messages, Group chats, Private Chats, DM
- Downloads, streams, views
- Browser history, activity history
- Online purchases
- Online transactions
- IP address

### **SESSION ON STRESS MANAGEMENT WITH TEACHERS**

With the advent of the pandemic, the online learning platform has necessitated our teachers to learn multiple new skills and perform under challenging circumstances to maintain a thorough and effective learning environment. School counsellors Spriha Patronobis and Farishta Dastur Mukerji conducted a session for all teachers of Senior school on *Dealing with Stress* which aimed at equipping teachers with personal skills that promote awareness and self care.



"Mental health...is not a destination, but a process. It's about how you drive, not where you're going."

# CORRIGENDUM

With reference to the article “MIDDLE SCHOOLER WINS SUMMER SCHOOL STORY WRITING COMPETITION” posted in the July Edition of the Newsletter for Senior School, our Team regrets a factual error made regarding the details of the competition.

Aira Mittal of grade 7B, participated in the Global Art Competition conducted by British Council during Summer School 2021. She placed third in the art competition.

