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# Forthcoming Events in March 2022

Monday, 7th March onwards

BACK TO SCHOOL! Primary and Junior School start returning to campus

#### Thursday 10th March, 2022 11:30 am-12:15 pm

10 Students from Grades IV – VI will participate in interactive session hosted by Indus Valley World School with Dr. Madhurima Vidyarthi, a well-known endocrinologist in Kolkata, on her first book 'My Grandmother's Masterpiece'.

#### Monday 14th March - Wednesday 16th March

Junior Section: Spring Assembly

Grade 1: 14-3-22: 11.20 to 11.40 am

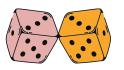
Grade 2 and 5: 15-3-22: 12.10 to 12.50 pm

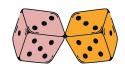
Grade 3 and 4: 16-3-22: 12.50 pm to 1.30 pm

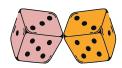
#### Tuesday - March 15th

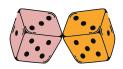
Primary Section: Celebration of International Day of Happiness

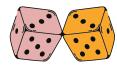
Thursday - Friday 17th - 18th March Spring Break for Holi and Dol Jatra











### STEM WEEK IN THE PRIMARY SECTION

The Primary Section celebrated STEM WEEK from 14th to 18th February, 2022. STEM education is a teaching approach that combines the concept of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. It opens up avenues for discussions, problem solving among students, helping them to understand and explore different concepts and ideas.

#### Grade Pre-Nursery A

The students, teachers and parents of Pre Nursery A, celebrated STEM week by engaging themselves in activities that helped them focus on different aspects of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Cookie making: The STEM week started on a cheerful note with the students measuring and kneading the ingredients for the cookie dough. They watched with astonishment as the cookie dough transformed into a mouth-watering piece of cookie both on-screen and in the microwave at their homes. They worked on a sequencing activity on the steps involved in the process.

Making and Launching a Catapult: The students showed great enthusiasm in building and launching their catapults using various objects. The mere use of simple ice-cream sticks, rubber bands and a bottle cap to create a catapult that could launch objects far away left the students amazed. They measured the distance of each object launched in the air with their footsteps, recording it on the activity sheet.

Blooming Flower Experiment: To conclude the eventful week of fun-filled activities, we had a parent visitor, Mrs. Fogla who taught the students about capillary action with a blooming flower experiment. Students coloured and folded flowers that had different numbers of petals. They observed with curiosity as the flowers unfolded when placed in a bowl of water. The students then counted and recorded the number of petals that bloomed for each flower using their activity sheet.

Flower Blooming Experiment





**Cookie Making Activity** 



**Catapult** 





#### Grade Pre-Nursery B reinvents Math through STEM activities

Fly, fly fly... airplane: The students of Pre Nursery B celebrated STEM Week with great enthusiasm and hands-on learning experiences where they built an airplane with ice-cream sticks, rubber band and glue.

**Nest for nestlings:** Students showed interest in learning about birds and their nests. The learners had to build a nest of their own using twigs, sticks, hay and feathers.

**Fun with shapes:** Learners exhibited great interest in building shapes by using dough balls and ice cream sticks to build shapes as displayed on the Dough cards.

**Popping up popcorn:** The learners popped corn kernels during class with great curiosity and excitement. They learnt about the science involved behind the kernels turning into popcorn. The students discovered that kernels are heavier than popcorn. This was justified by the teacher by weighing these on a handmade weighing scale.



Veer Raj popped the corn kernel into popcorn and quantifying it.

Ayaan with his sensory bottle.



Ananmay made the aeroplane with icecream stick



Tisha with her aeroplane



Simone building the nest with hay, twigs and feathers.



Samarth buliding the 2D shapes.



Grade Nursery A



The young researchers of Nursery A were engaged in two activities where their main focus was on creating, observing, recording and problem solving.

Our first activity was **Building a Cotton Ball Launcher**. Students constructed the launcher using cardboard, rubber bands, glue, pencil and scissors. They used force to launch the cotton balls, increasing it gradually. Students were given 3 trials, they counted the distance with footsteps and recorded their observation.









Cotton Ball launcher

The second activity was, **Building a Straw Maze**. Students used straw to design their own amazing maze in such a way that the marble/ball moved around smoothly. They had to control and balance the maze with their hand to make the marble move. Students counted the number of straws they used to construct the maze. Then they analyzed and compared the maximum and least number of straws used by each of the students.



**Straw Maze** 

#### Grade Nursery B

The students of Nursery B executed three activities in the STEM week.

The first activity was 'Designing your Garment', wherein the students designed four garments by counting different 2D designs (buttons) and pasting them on the garments. The number of buttons for each garment was decided by rolling a dice for each. They recorded their findings on a given recording sheet.

The second activity was 'Peeling and Eating an Orange' where the students had to peel an orange and count the slices. Then they recorded the total number of slices and the number of slices they could eat, on a given recording sheet.

The third activity was 'Straw Splash Painting', where the students were asked to throw a dice, count and put that many blobs of moderately thick paint on their drawing sheet with proper spacing. Then they blew air through the straw and saw the different blobs of paint from amazing patterns. They recorded their observations.

All STEM elements were incorporated in each activity to foster holistic learning. Art and Music added special effects to all activities that were administered.



Straw Splash Painting







'Designing your Garment' activity



#### Grade Upper Nursery

The enthusiasts of Upper Nursery engaged themselves in the STEM activity to learn the concept of 'Estimation and Measurement' both mathematically and scientifically. They tried their hands in engineering to be able to create their flying machine and balancing scale for the activities.

For the first activity on 'Measuring the Distance', students created their own paper planes. They integrated the Science topic on 'Force and Motion' to do the activity.

The second activity focused on 'Measuring the Mass', students created their own balancing scales and used objects to measure their weight and compared them using vocabulary like - heavier than

and lighter than. Students of Upper Nursery A



Flying the air planes



Comparing the objects using a balancing scale

#### Students of Upper Nursery B



Students fly their planes high



Students created their own balancing scale

Overall, it was an engaging session for the students and the STEM activities helped them build connections and integrate different subjects.

### **PARENT VISIT**

#### Grade Pre-Nursery A & B Greenery all around!!

English collaboration with Art - In a joint session on a winter morning on 1st February 2022, the students and teachers of Pre Nursery A and B had a joint session for a Virtual Garden Tour and made their own miniature gardens.

Atharv's mother, Mrs. Bansal took the students on a virtual tour of her garden. The fruit laden trees and the winter flower-beds were quite a treat for the eyes. The vast play area for cricket and football was appreciated. Atharv shared his favourite play corner which had a sand pit, swing, slide and a trampoline. The round flip he did on the trampoline left the audience spellbound!

After the presentation, Mrs. Bansal helped the students prepare their own miniature garden using resources available at home. The variety of the different kinds of garden assembled by the students took the teachers into a fantasy land. It was a great learning experience.



#### Grade Fre-Nursery B

Learning about Community helpers/Jobs people do

Parent volunteer: On 21st February, 2022

During the sharing session on 'Jobs People Do', Nandini shared with the class that both her parents are lawyers. Mrs. and Mr. Sah shared about their profession briefly in a child friendly manner. It was an informative sharing session.



Nandini sharing about the work her parents do during the sharing session on community helpers.

# Vernacular Elocution Competition HINDI

#### Grade 1 and 2

The Vernacular Elocution Competition for Grades 1 and 2 was held on the 8th and 10th of February 2022 amidst great excitement and enthusiasm. The themes chosen by both Grades were on "Nature". Students put in a great deal of effort and performed exceptionally well paying attention to articulation and modulation. Mrs. Sujata Ahuja and Ms. Kashmiri Marwah judged the participants from Grade 1.

Congratulations to winners of Grade 1

1st - Tamanna Bhutoria 2nd - Aaryav Gujral 3rd - Aryahi Chatterjee



Judges and winners of Grade 1 Hindi Vernacular Elocution

Mrs. Suman Dhanuka and Mrs. Chandrani Chatterjee judged the participants from Grade 2.

#### Congratulations to winners of Grade 2

1st - Amaira Singhania and Ayaan Sikaria 2nd - Dyuti Jain and Vanya Khaitan 3rd - Vivaan Mookherjee











Judges and
winners of Grade
2 Hindi
Vernacular
Elocution



The Grade 3 Hindi Elocution was held on 8th February, 2022. The participants elocuted poems based on festivals. Their choice of poems, their confidence and expressions left the audience and judges spell bound. The messages conveyed through some of these poems hinted at the topical issues in society - Humanity is bigger than festivals and eradication of evils such as corruption and poverty is the need of the hour. The judges, Mrs. Chandrani Chatterjee and Mrs. Swati Chamaria motivated the audience with their inspiring words.

#### Congratulations to winners of Grade 3

1st- Avyukt Fatesaria 2nd - Yuvaan Agarwal 3rd- Moksh Lalani



Judges and winners of Grade 3 Hindi Vernacular Elocution

#### Grade 4

The Hindi Elocution Competition for class 4 was held on 09.02.22. The topic for elocution was 'Bachpan' (childhood). The participants elocuted with clarity, expression and voice modulation. The judges for the event, Mrs. Soni Jha and Mrs. Chamaria, were very impressed by their performance.

#### Congratulations to winners of Grade 4

1st - Vedang Shah
2nd - Viren Chakrabarty



The Hindi Elocution Competition for grade 5 was held on the 11th February. The themes chosen for the poems to be recited were- "Matrubhumi Se Prem/Veerta/Sahas". Children recited wonderful poems on the given themes. The poems forced us to look within ourselves and value the freedom handed over to us by our brave freedom fighters. The judges for the Hindi Elocution were Mrs Suman Dhanuka and Mrs Soni Kumari Jha.

#### Congratulations to winners of Grade 5

1st - Alveena Fatima Jawade 2nd - Krishiv Poddar and Hridhaan Gupta 3rd - Krishaangi Poddar



### BENGALI

Grade 1

On the morning of 8th February 2022, students and teachers of the Junior Section gathered on the virtual platform to celebrate and participate in the Vernacular Elocution Competition. Students from Grade 1 Bengali department confidently elocuted their poems based on the theme 'Nature'. They brought out the essence of the poems through their expressions and voice modulations. The competition was judged by two of our teachers from the Senior Section - Mrs. Tania Ghosh and Ms. Suvraleena Bandopadhyay.

#### Congratulations to winners of Grade 1

1st - Tara Mazumder 2nd - Roozbeh Nubaid Nuraz 3rd - Ripanshi Dutta



The Vernacular Elocution competition for Grade 2 was held on the 9th of February. Mrs. Aruna Mukhopadhyay and Mrs. Manideepa Raychaudhuri, teachers of the Middle and Senior Section of CIS, were the judges for the competition. In their presence, the Bengali students of Grade 2 elocuted beautiful poems on Nature. Their choice of poems and vibrant renditions impressed the judges, who praised and inspired them with their words of encouragement.

#### Congratulations to winners of Grade 2

1st - Aditya Chakravarti and Ayra Tehreem Khan

2nd - Saranya Saha

3rd - Rai Mazumdar



Judges and winners of Grade 2 Bengali Vernacular Elocution

#### Grades 3, 4 and 5

The Bengali students of Grades 3, 4 and 5 put in their best effort and enthusiasm to take part in the online Vernacular Competition. The topic for Grade 3 was 'Holidays'.

Grade 4 students recited poems based on the theme 'travelling'. Through their poems they transported us to many places in the different corners of the world.

Grade 5 recited poems on courage in its different forms. They showed us how courage can be exhibited by not just a warrior but also a student or a common man. The students of all the three grades successfully expressed the essence of the poems.

#### Congratulations to winners of Grade 3

1st - Zara Sengupta 2nd- Shnaya Chowdhury 3rd- Samara Laiq











Judges and winners of Grade 3 Bengali Vernacular Elocution



Congratulations to winners of Grade 4

1st - Kayaan Raja 2nd - Sammagnah Bardhan 3rd - Anya Guha











Judges and winners of Grade 4 Bengali Vernacular Elocution

#### Congratulations to winners of Grade 5

1st- Saanvi Sarkar 2nd- Srijato Das 3rd- Reyna Bhawal







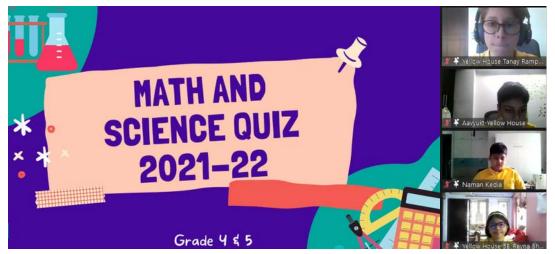


Judges and winners of Grade 5 Bengali Vernacular Elocution

The esteemed judges Mrs Tania Ghosh and Mrs Suvraleena bandopadhyay for Grade 3, Mrs Sharmila Mukherjee and Mr Surya Subha Banerjee for Grade 4 and Mrs Aruna Mukhopadhyay and Mrs Doelpakhi Dasgupta praised the students and gave them valuable tips to further improve their style of recitation. Last but not the least, Mrs Nayar and Mrs Choudhary congratulated the students for their outstanding performance.



# Unlocking knowledge at the speed of thought



A Virtual Math-Science Quiz was held on Friday, the 25th of February, 2022. It was attended by pupils of Grades 4 and 5, the Faculty of the Junior School, as well as by the Head of the Departments of both subjects from the Senior School. The event was smoothly anchored by Ms. K. Marwah.

Four Pupils from each House from Grades 4 and 5 formed a team. The team members from Red House were – Prakhar Jain and Sanaya Gupta from Grade 4 and Agastya Chanda and Hridhaan Gupta from Grade 5.

Yellow House was represented by Naman Kedia and Aavyukt R Goenka from Grade 4 and Tanay Rampuria and Reyna Bhawal from Grade 5.

From Green House, the quizzers were Aaradhya Didwania and Aarav Pasari from Grade 4 and Veer Poddar and Varish Mohta from Grade 5.

The quiz was held in a number of time bound rounds, of general questions from each subject, followed by a rapid fire round and activity round.

The Math- Science Quiz ensured that the participants learnt to use and apply what they learnt in class in Math and Science and this was shared with the audience as well, who were fully engaged and involved throughout the meticulously planned and executed, and remarkably well-organized event.

Red House won, followed by Green and then Yellow House.

Junior School Principal Mrs Nayar and Junior Section Head Mrs Choudhary, congratulated the participants for their efforts, keen sense of healthy competitiveness, their teamwork, sportsmanship, collaboration, observation and critical thinking skills, participation and their excellent performance.

#### Round 1 - Grade 4 Math

Q2. In the given bar diagram, the wheat production of a farm (in, tonnes) from year 2009 to 2014 is shown. Sum of production during 'even' years is how much more than that of the 'odd' years?

Wheat production (in terms)





Q6) An aeroplane leaves from London to Vancouver. The aeroplane leaves London at 13:00. The Journey takes 10 hours. The time in Vancouver is 8 hours behind London. Complete the sentence.



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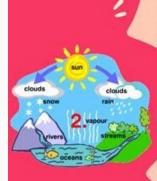
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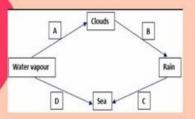
# Green house- Varish Mohta

Round 1 -Grade 5 Math

#### Round 2 - Grade 4 Science



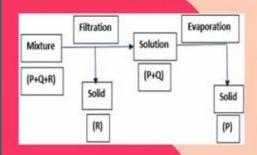
Ql. The diagram below shows the water cycle. Which stage(s) of the water cycle involves heat loss?





Q6. Study the given flow chart carefully.

P, Q and R could be respectively-



a. Chalk powder,
water and sawdust.

b. Salt, water and sugar.

c. Sugar, water and
sawdust.

d. sawdust, water and
sugar.



Round 2 Grade 5 Science

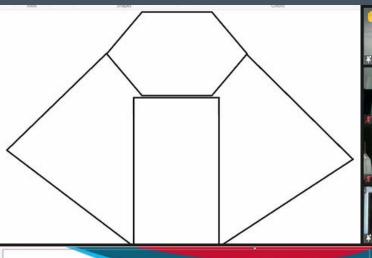
#### Round 3 Rapid Fire



#### **RED HOUSE**

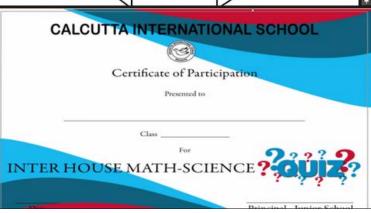
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- 2. EXPRESS 5:25 AM IN THE MORNING IN 24 HOUR FORM = 05:25
- 3. G43 PLUS WHAT MAKES 1000 = 357
- 4. IS 942 DIVISIBLE BY 2 =YES
- 5. NAME THE SHAPE WITH ALL SIDES EQUAL BUT NONE OF THE ANGLES EQUAL TO 90 DEGREES.
  = RHOMBUS







#### **Math Activity Round**





#### **Participation**



### Team



#### **Winners**





# Value Education

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We all realize the need of Values in our system as it brings benefit to the self and the society. It gives us a positive direction in life and teaches us to work on ourselves.

During the Value Education lessons the students of Grades 1 to 5 learnt that recognizing their inherent values is a process of self-reflection. This month we explored the virtue of Happiness.

They learnt that 'The Key to Happiness' is Loving yourself first. One also experiences a state of happiness after doing acts of service and benefit to others.



Grade 1 students decided to make thankyou cards for their house help and handed them over in the Value Education class.

























#### Grades 2, 3 and 4

Every student of Grades 2, 3 and 4 had the opportunity to think about and reflect into the depths of this beautiful feeling and expressed themselves through a variety of engaging activities like PPT's recitation, poetry, art, posters, songs, dances, games, quizzes and inspiring stories.

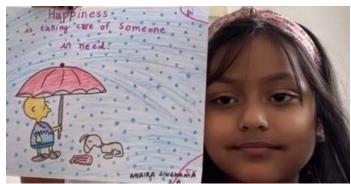
Grade 2 A - What is Happiness? HAPPINESS IS.....



Helping others and being kind



Having fun with a friend



Taking care of someone in need



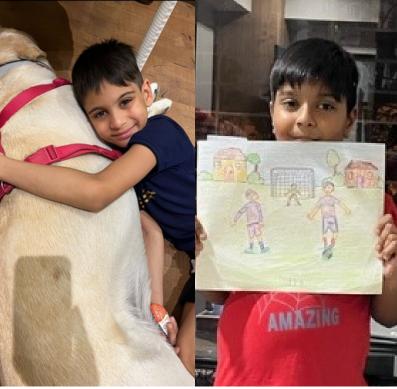
Making chocolate Mousse



When there is Love, Happiness just comes



Grade 2 B - Happiness expressed through words, actions and feelings.



A loving pet is source of Joy!

Happiness lies in the things we enjoy doing most

#### Grade 3 A - Discover and increase your knowledge about Happiness.



I can give happiness to others with my good wishes

Me Moksh

So many words to express Happiness

#### WHAT DOES HAPPINESS DO?

Happiness is good. It provides us with a sense of optimism, a "take on the world" attitude and a positivity that can be infectious. According to a recent study, everyone attempts to find happiness in three ways: Doing good for others; doing things you're good at; and doing things that are good for you.

### **Happy - tips**

- Be happy with everyone
- Smile in every situation
- Be kind to others
- Make a spark of hope in your life
- Make your balloon of wisdom fly high.

#### Grade 3 B - What and who makes you Happy?



My Teacher, my Guide

Be Grateful, Be Happy



Who makes me Happy

- My family makes me happy.
- My friends makes me happy
- My teachers makes me happy.

Be Inspired



A STORY ABOUT WORRYING LESS AND LIVING MORE

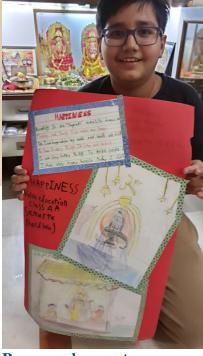
#### Grade 4 A - 'When my words give Happiness instead of thorns', I create a Happier world



Singing a song on Happiness



Happiness Poster



Pray and count your blessings Poster 5



Guess the correct word

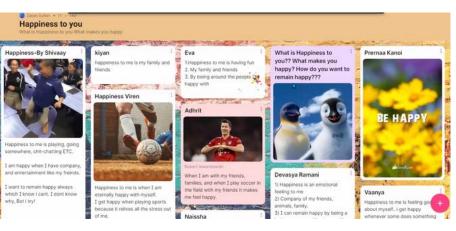
Grade 4 B - Generate your own secret of Giving Happiness



Give Happiness and take happiness



Thought provoking Recitation



month's calendar of happy activities



A padlet for Everyone's view on Happiness

Grade 5 students decided to spread happiness in various ways. Some planted seeds to make the Earth happy, some decided to spend some time with their grandparents, some decided to help around the house while some went and fed strays - all to spread happiness around them and bring joy.



# ABHIVYAKTI - 2022

Calcutta International School, Junior Section participated in "Abhivyakti", an inter school pre-primary fest hosted by Delhi Public School Ruby Park, Kolkata, on 19th February, 2022 for students of Pre Nursery to Grade 1.

The theme was 'SPRING'. There were eight events altogether with four offline and four online activities. One student was selected for each event through a preliminary round to represent CIS. The offline activities were video recorded and sent to the host school within a given time and the online activities took place live via zoom session.

Grade Pre Nursery took part in Food Art (online event) where students created art with different raw food items and Fun with dough (offline event) where students made Easter eggs and decorated them.

Grade Nursery participated in Kinder Garden (online event) where students designed their dream garden using different objects and spoke about it. Thoughts in Rhyme (offline event) was based on recitation.

Upper Nursery took part in Word Warriors (online event) where students had to guess words from given clues and Artistry (offline event) was all about painting a picture of spring within 3 minutes.

Grade 1 participated in Mono Act (online event) delivering dialogues of one or two characters and Fagun (offline event) a dance performance.

The opening ceremony took place on 19th of February at 9am, after which the students joined different zoom sessions to participate in the online events. The winners were announced on 22nd February after the closing ceremony.

We congratulate all the participants for putting in their best effort to make the event a grand success.

A big round of applause goes to Aliya Merh of Grade Nursery for securing the first position in the online event 'Kinder Garden' and Aryan Newar of Upper Nursery for securing the third position in the offline event 'Artistry'.





**KINDER GARDEN - ALIYA MERH** 

**ARTISTRY - ARYAN NEWAR** 



**FOOD ART DEVANSH SHROFF** 



**FUN WITH DOUGH** 



**SAANVI RUIA** 





**FAGUN - AROHI AGARWAL AND TAMANNA BHUTORIA** 



**MONO ACT - ANAYA SHREE MOHTA** 



Students of the Junior Section (Grades 3-5) participated in an online Literary Fest, Seussotopia, which was organised by Mahadevi Birla World Academy. The event was held from 20th – 31st January, 2022. Seussotopia aimed to hone students' unique skills and enhance digital literacy. Most of the events were conducted live while some were held offline.

The students were selected based on audition rounds held in school. Ms Amanda DuPratt was the teacher coordinator for this event, very ably supported and guided by Mr Sudipta Bardhan, Mrs Shreyaa Dutta Gupta, Mrs Ananya Bhattacharya, Mrs Tanbir Datta, Mrs Sukanya Singhal, Language Coordinator Mrs Sushmita Ray, Science Coordinator Mrs Sujata Ahuja, Head of the Department English Mrs Roychoudhury and Junior Section Head Mrs Choudhary.

#### CIS participated in 5 events -

- 1. Coinage Students had to coin 3 new words based on a theme given to them, illustrate and explain its meaning to the judges
- 2. Truffula Dish Students had to make an artwork out of food waste based on Dr. Seuss' book and explain its significance to judges
- 3. Seussacity The student had to build a 3D model of their own city, inspired by a Dr Seuss book
- 4. Golpo Kotha Students had to compose an original story in Bengali adapted from a Dr Seuss book. They had to include elements of Bengali culture and values and then enact the story.
- 5. Amalgam The student had to create a work of art which was an amalgam of two Seuss characters.













#### Our students won 3 out of the 5 events they participated in -

- 1. First place in Coinage Aditri Lahiri and Keosha Saha
- 2. First place in Golpo Kotha Reyna Bhawal and Sammagnah Bardhan
- 3. Third place in Seussacity Agastya Chanda
- 4. Under COINAGE, CIS was also awarded the Special Prize CHUCKLE WORTHY AWARD.
- 5. Under Seussacity, CIS was also awarded the Special Prize -CREATIVE CRUSADER AWARD.

fest was a great exposure for our participants who were This encouraged to read and creatively express themselves. We would like to opportunity to thank participants all the this Basundhara Chowdhury, Krishiv Poddar and Rayan Karan Samtani for hard work and effort put into preparing for the fest participating with enthusiasm.

Heartiest congratulations to the winners!

# Coinage







# A Truffula Dish



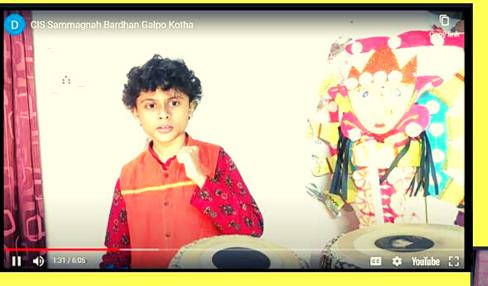






# Seussacity





# Golpo Kotha

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#### पूर्णा मुरक्श दृति

কাৰণ তা ৰাহৰ খুনিতে চেবে জোছে, ত্ৰাক্ত সংলোহা। ডোন কেনা ডাঠ, লানে ও জিদাঠে মা হুনা কাৰণেন সবাৰ মনে তাৰক জোগিবেছেন, সবাৰ জেন্ড নতুন জায়া-কাল্ড জেনা সংমাছে, প্ৰচেকটা আড়ি শবিকাৰ কৰা যামছে বৰা কিছু আড়ি জালো দিখে সাজোৰো ইয়েছে, জানলাৰ বাইকে জানাৰ অ আড়িঃ খেকে বেৰোনে ভাৰক লয়ান্তন দেখা লাছে, সবাই H DE CHIMENIE REACH,

ितु, अकारात छाछि या जातामात सारमास दारमा छगाम्। जि अनेत बन्दात सार्थण भावभित कराज काराज पूर्वी प्राप्ता कृति कारा प्रोप्त जावस्त्र, किनु, रक्षात्र करते। रकात्र आतृत अस्तरूप रक्षा दास्य की छारक कराव, जास्त्रमा या अस्त्र आत्र आत्र (य आतृत्व नवः) जार साम्र प्रतिक्षापुत, अस्त्र भागार आज्ञा शास्त्र जारकः अस्त्र प्रतिक्र भित्रमञ्ज्ञ। स्वाप्त, पूर्वी प्रदेश कृति सारको सारकः।

के बद्द आ दिव कार्याव का जात वाद देव नित्य ज्यानम् कता शब ना, आर प्रा कृषीत भाषा शास त्वार ना त्वा आका, आस्तात कन्दर कार प्रच्या श्रम श्रम जार वर्ष नित्व अरु राहा मुख्या श्रम है मी, नी, नी, कृषी भाषा माने क्यों अस्मिक्स आगर मान्या ना

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# **INMVAO**

The 7th International Vedic Maths Olympiad (iNAVMO) 2021-22 competition organized by Mind Power Education LLP to unleash the hidden potential of Young Icons at National Level and International Level concluded in February with students of CIS performing very well.

This event was conducted in three-phases -

- Phase 1 This round of competition was held online before November 2021.
- Phase 2 Selected students appeared for semi-finals online in the month of January 2021.
- Phase 3 Final round was conducted in the month of February 2022.

The event focuses on school Maths, faster calculation and accuracy. Time limit for Olympiad is 5 minutes for 50 sums (Mental Maths), 20 minutes for 70 sums Vedic Maths) and 5 minutes for 70 sums (Abacus).

4126 students from around 261 schools participated from all over India and many more directly took the tests on the website (Open School/Center).

CIS received the Best School Award with AIR - 20.

Tamanna Bhutoria from Grade 1 won the Champion's Champion Trophy. Arjun Nandy from Grade 1, Krishnav Marothia from Grade 3, Prakhar Jain and Viren Chakrabarti from Grade 4 also made us proud by winning The National Trophy.

Heartiest congratulations to the Students.

Tamanna Bhutoria – Winner of Champion's Champion Trophy



Arjun Nandy – Winner of National Trophy



Krishnav Marothia – Winner of National trophy



Prakhar Jain – Minner of National Trophy



Viren Chakrabarti – Winner of National Trophy





# <u>Olympiads</u>

We heartily congratulate the participants for their remarkable performance in the Science and English Olympiads 2021-22. Keep up the good work!



### <u>Inter School Clean Air Championship</u>

SwitchOn Foundation announced Calcutta International School as one of the Top Performing Schools of the Inter- School Clean Air Championship, 2021-2022. They were extremely thrilled by the participation of our school and were moved by the creativity and passion with which the students took up the activities in saving the environment and contributing to clean air. As a school CIS has set the benchmark for others to follow and we look forward to participating in the upcoming championship. We are very happy that as a Top Performing School, the school has been awarded with a 1 kilowatt solar power plant.

Heartiest Congratulations to the entire CIS Community!

### Global Perspectives Sharing Session

A sharing session was conducted by Mrs. Tania Roy on Cambridge Primary Global Perspective training which she had undergone in Oct – Nov 21. The session was attended by Mrs. Nayar, Mrs. Choudhary, Mrs. Majumdar, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. Ahuja and Mrs. Banerjee through an online mode on the 1st of February 2022.

In the session she discussed the 6 skills of research, analysis, evaluation, reflection, collaboration and communication which are the main focus while learning the subject. Overall the subject strengthens the links across English as a first or second language, Mathematics, Science and ICT and the liberal and visual art starters.



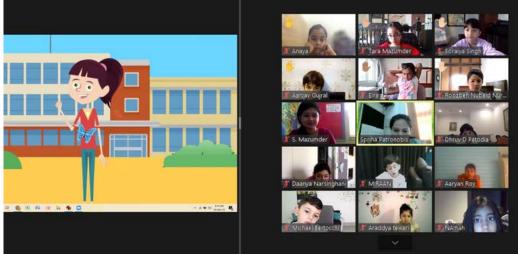
### Life Skills Sessions for Students

The young students of our junior section have been through rather trying times in the last two years owing to the pandemic. Being locked down at home, attending online lessons, limited opportunities to play outdoors, meet friends and the list goes on. However there now seems to be a silver lining at the end of this long, uncertain wait. With the government announcing that it would be safe for schools to gradually open up, our Junior Section students and teachers alike, have been brimming with joy and excitement!

Returning to physical school after adapting to 2 years of life indoors is again an adjustment. This needs to be treated as a transition phase which calls for significant physical and mental preparation. To enable our students to slowly yet steadily gear up for Offline School, the school counsellors Mrs. Spriha Patronobis and Mrs. Farishta Dastur Mukerji have begun a series of life skills sessions with the Junior Section (grades 1 through 5), to initiate and facilitate 'Back to School' conversations.

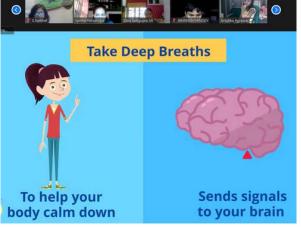
These sessions provided a platform for students to connect with each other through exploring and sharing their feelings about resuming offline school. It was observed that while excitement and joy are the predominant emotions among the students, some feelings of anxiety and uncertainty were also noticed. Students were enabled to understand that some worry is natural and expected.

The children of the Junior section were also able to reflect on some of the changes that they anticipate in Offline School, especially the covid appropriate norms and protocols. The sessions helped them to be mindful of the fact that returning to physical school would include – giving time to ourselves to adapt to the routine and possibly longer school hours, sleeping earlier and waking up earlier to reach school on time, packing our bags with caution and the like. Some of the aspects of physical school that they are enthusiastically looking forward to, seem to be – being in a new classroom, playing on the field, doing in person classes with their peers, face to face interaction with friends, meeting new friends, and participating in school events in the physical space (such as picnics, sports day etc).





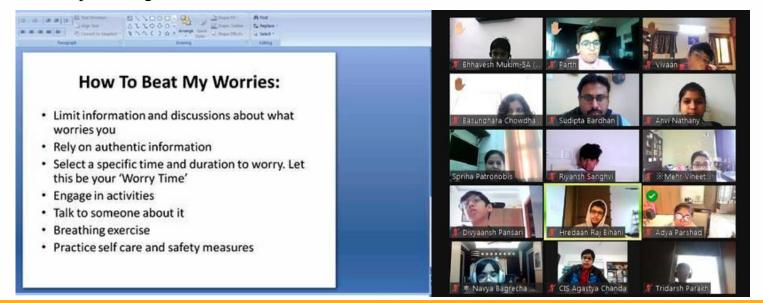






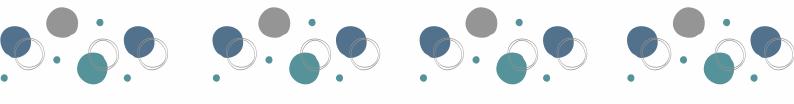


In addition to preparing for resumption of physical school, the Grade 5 students also had the space to share their thoughts and feelings about their journey through the pandemic involving anxiety, loss, despair and grief.

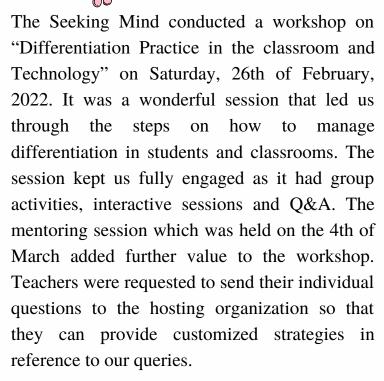




We welcome back our young learners with immense delight, applauding their courage and resilience to have tided over the last 2 years of lockdown. Wishing all students the very best for physical school – here's to making happy memories and happier days ahead!







The following teachers had joined the session-Ananya Bhattacharya Priyanka Bhansali Bidisha Mukherjee Shreya Dutta Gupta Shweta Mazumdar Gargi Sinha Mitra





Avradita Debnath



# SEN and Counselling Orientation Session for Junior School Teachers

The SEN and Counselling Dept conducted an orientation session for all Junior section teachers on 'Resuming Physical School". The school counsellors, Mrs. Spriha Patronobis and Mrs. Farishta Dastur Mukerji began the session with a detailed outlook on various aspects of returning to offline school. The emphasis was to orient teachers on what to expect in terms of their own transition, as well as pertaining to changes expected in student behaviour – from attendance/punctuality, attention, organization, ability for independent work, covid safety protocols. This was followed by the SEN educators, Mrs. Baisakhi Sarkar (HOD, SEN dept), Mrs. Gargi Sinha Mitra, and Ms. Avradita Debnath, taking the teachers through some of the specifics that need to be borne in mind while catering to students with special learning needs.

The interactive session that was held on 26th February 2022, provided teachers with an opportunity to place their queries to the SEN and Counselling Dept and have their doubts clarified.



Wishing everyone a happy and colourful Holi!





Mrs. Neelam Choudhary, Mrs. Sharmila Majumdar, Ms. Kashmiri Marwah, Ms. Priyanka Bhansali, Mrs. Shreyaa Dutta Gupta, Mrs. Tinku Yadav Mrs. Mousumi Guha and Mrs. Ruchika Lakhani

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