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August Events

5.8.22 - Jolly Phonics Orientation for parents of Pre Nursery

10.8.22 - India Day celebration in the Primary section

12.8.22 - India Day celebration in the Junior section

30.8.22 - Student Council Investiture Ceremony.

31.8.22 - School Super League – Season 5 for Grades 3 to 5

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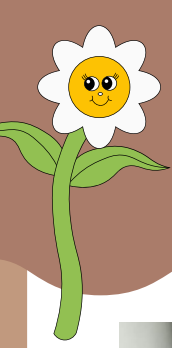
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We warmly welcome the new students this Academic Session to the CIS family and wish them all the best for their growth and progress in the school.



Pre Nursery A

The new and vibrant batch of 36 promising young learners in Grade Pre-Nursery

Pre Nursery B



Grade Nursery, Section A - Nishant Agarwal and Aryaveer Prashad

Grade Nursery, Section B - Kabir Shahabadi

Grade Upper Nursery, Section A - Veer Poddar, Anaisha Nirmal and Noa Alma Munshi

Grade Upper Nursery, Section B - Anirved Somani, Arjav Goswami and Dravin Chakraborty

Grade 1, Section A - Kripa Agarwal, Pratham Pal and Ayushi Banerjee

Grade 1, Section B - Aarav Nirmal and Adhvik Sengupta

Grade 2, Section A - Arhaan Sen

Grade 2, Section B - Sanay Parasrampur

Grade 3, Section A - Sanjh Chakraborty and Ashray Kandoi

Grade 3, Section B - Safia Rojaya

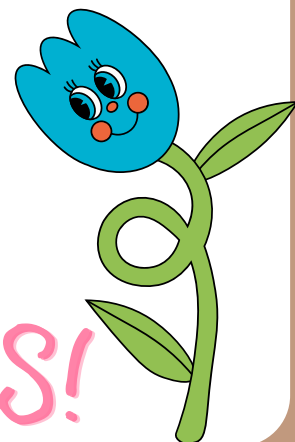
Grade 4, Section A - Shambhabi Chatterjee

Grade 4, Section B - Zohair Sultan

Grade 5, Section A - Aradhyo Mondal

Grade 5, Section B - Medhansh Newar

Welcome to CIS!



Welcoming the Newcomers!

In a special session, Junior School Principal, Mrs. Pratima Nayar spent time conversing with the students who joined CIS in the new academic year. It was a fruitful discussion where the students shared their experience of the first few weeks in school. Mrs. Nayar wished them good luck for a long and successful journey in CIS.



Parent Orientations

A Virtual Junior School Parents' Orientation for Grades Pre Nursery to Grade 5 was successfully conducted on 20th June and 2nd July, 2022. The parents were welcomed by Mrs Pratima Nayar, Junior School Principal, Primary Section Head - Mrs Sharmila Majumdar, and Junior Section Head - Mrs Neelam Choudhary. The HODs, Subject Coordinators, SEN and Counselling Department, class teachers and subject teachers were introduced to the parents. The class teachers shared a presentation which focused on the rules and guidelines for the classes in the new academic session. At the end of the session, parents interacted with the faculty and cleared their doubts. We look forward to a great year ahead.





Nursery A

A warm welcome to their new class set the tone for an exciting month for the students of Nursery A. Collaboration with subjects in English, Math, Core Skills and EVS saw them learn new skills and have fun too. Creating and role playing at the Pizza Corner, indigo day, dressing up as family members and a pajama party were some of the highlights of the month.

Nursery B



The students were excited to come back to school and meet their peers and teachers. The welcome session began with the "Sunshine Smile" song in their colorful sun shades.

To celebrate the spirit of monsoon, they coloured rainbow umbrellas and danced to the beat of "Have you seen the rainbow"!



Upper Nursery A



"Teaching is the act of sharing the knowledge we have been given by others with the hope that someday, in some way, it again will be passed on..."

Kathy Jeffords

The students of Upper Nursery A took on the role of a teacher in a 'Flip classroom' setting in their science lesson and shared interesting facts about reptiles.



Upper Nursery B



Upper Nursery B celebrates differences and values uniqueness by making self portraits. When brought together it makes the most beautiful picture.

HEART OF SCHOOL

“ Creativity is as important now in education as literacy and we should treat it with the same status”

CIS kicked off the 2022-2023 school year by starting its ECA activities again. The sound of laughter and excitement among students, made the school come alive.

ECA is a core component of holistic education that shape the development of students. We believe that every child is a gifted mind and talented in his/her way. We at CIS celebrate this “Giftedness” in every child by nurturing and enchancing their fullest potential.

Our school has an array of ECA activities this year for the benefit of our students. Qualities like initiative and leadership are not always developed in the classroom. ECA activities help students to pursue interests outside the standardised education.

It's truly inspiring to see children feel a sense of ownership over their school. Let's make the difference together and build a safe and livable world to give our children a better tomorrow.



Meeting the Nobel Peace Laureate

Nobel Peace Laureate Mr. Kailash Satyarthi visited Kolkata on July 27th as the Chief Guest to inaugurate the two-day South Asia Conclave on Combating Cyber-enabled Human Trafficking. The event was hosted by the U.S. Consulate Kolkata and New Delhi based non profit organization Shakti Vahini.

Amarissa Vita Das Hartmann of Grade 1 A had the honour and a memorable experience of meeting the Nobel Peace Laureate. She welcomed him to the city on the evening of July 27 with her mother among others.

Known for his love for children, Mr. Satyarthi put a garland around her ,took her in his arms, and asked her for a promise to always fight for child rights. We hope this experience stays with Amarissa and inspires her to always stand up for a cause. She shared with Mr. Satyarthi, her favourite quote, ' One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world. '



Congratulations

Prernaa Kanoi, from Grade 5 made a remarkable achievement by winning the West Bengal Squash title for girls under 11.

Heartiest congratulations Prernaa!



Tile Presentation – Special Assembly

The Students of Upper Nursery Batch 2021-22 received a special memento from their teachers and Principal during a Tile Presentation ceremony held on 29.7.22 at school. During this special assembly Mrs. Nayar and Mrs. Majumdar congratulated the children who have passed out from the Primary Section and have moved up to Grade 1. It was a proud moment and as we celebrated and acknowledged each child and their journey in the Primary years.



Upper Nursery A



Upper Nursery B

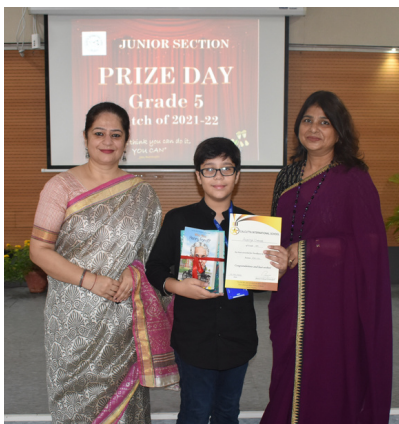


Grade 5 - Prize Distribution

The Grade 5 students of 2021-22, presently in the Middle Section, were appreciated and recognised on the morning of 22nd July, 2022 for their achievements in the last academic session.

Students were ecstatic to meet their teachers and receive their awards for excellence and effort in all subjects. The Grade 5 choir members were also delighted to be acknowledged.

Mrs Pratima Nayar, Principal, Junior School, Section Heads, Junior and Primary, Mrs. Neelam Choudhary and Mrs. Sharmila Majumdar along with the HODs, the academic heads and the teachers applauded and congratulated the students.



Certificate for Excellence in Academics - 5A

Agastya Chanda, Mehr Vineet & Khushagra Mohta



Certificate for Excellence in Academics - 5B

Reyna Bhawal, Alveena Fatima Jawade & Saanvi Sarkar



Certificate of Effort - English

Hredaan Raj Bihani, Krishaangi Poddar & Krishiv Poddar



Certificate of Effort - Science

Vedant Misra & Anvi Singhi



Certificate of Effort - Math & ICT

Varish Mohta, Navya Bagrecha, Yuvraj Agarwal, Vivaan Siotia & Tanay Rampuria



Certificate of Effort - History & Geography

Natarsha Roy, Syona Ghosh & Khyaati Kothari



Certificate of Effort - Value Education

Arham Jain & Anvi Nathany



Certificate of Effort - Foreign and Regional Languages

Subhrajit Chakraborty, Hridhaan Gupta, Yuvan Pawa, Aryashi Saraogi, Yugveer Agawal, Bhhavesh Mukim & Srijato Das

Certificate of Effort - P.E Sijato Das & Krishiv Poddar



Certificate of Appreciation for the Grade 5

Choir members

We wish the present Grade 6 students the very best for their journey through Senior School.

A Thank you Note from the Student of the Year, Agastya Chanda

To begin with, I would like to thank my principal, my teachers, and all our dadas and didis for supporting me and creating an environment where I had the opportunity to win such a prestigious award. I am honoured and extremely grateful to have been chosen. I must also thank my parents for nurturing my varied interests and encouraging me to do my best. And of course, my friends for always being there to lend a helping hand when I needed one.

My journey with CIS began even before I joined in the year 2014, as I would go to pick up my sisters very often, always feeling happy as I walked into the lobby to meet them. Since then, and till today, CIS has become a second home for me, thanks to the warmth I have felt from each and every member of the school.

During the coronavirus pandemic, though there were many challenges we faced, we were able to overcome them with ease thanks to the support we received from school and all the efforts of our wonderful teachers. We are where we are today because of them.

I would like to wish all the junior school students well for the future and remind everyone that whether or not they win the award they have a place at CIS where they can excel and be recognized in whatever they do.

Last but not least, I would like to quote Dr Seuss (my all-time favourite author), “And will you succeed? Yes, you will indeed! (98 and 3/4th percent guaranteed)” With a positive mindset, all of us have got a pretty good shot at getting it right.



‘Meri Waali Bhasha’

Teachers of the Language Department, teaching the Regional and Foreign Languages in the Junior and Senior School attended a workshop – ‘Meri Waali Bhasha’ held online on two days - on the 15th of June and the 16th of July 2022. This workshop held by the organization, The Seeking Minds, was specially curated for CIS.

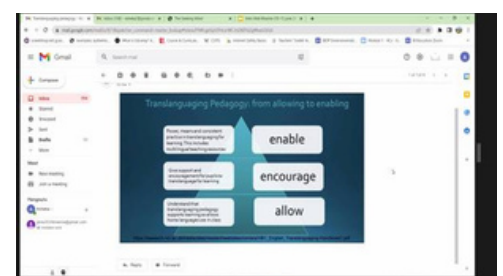
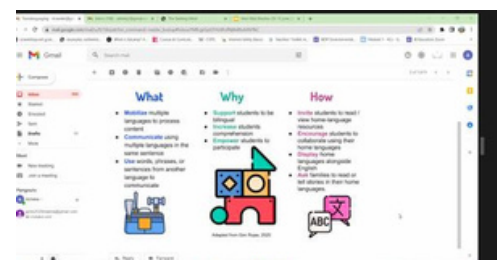
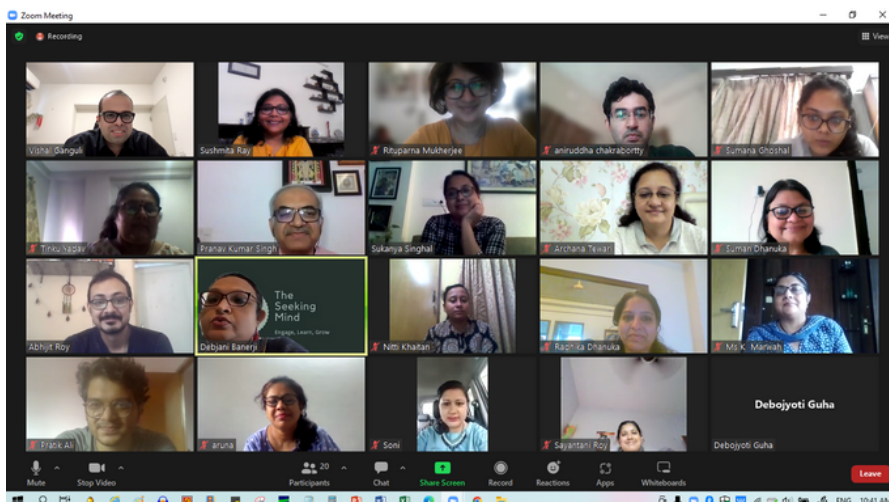
The concept and presentation of the workshop was done by Ms Debjani Sen of The Seeking Minds and the facilitators of the workshop were Mr Pranav Kumar Singh, Publisher of Ponytale Books, Mr Vishal Ganguly, mentor from Tokyo who has been the Head of Languages and Ms Askeka Tenzin, the programme leader for IB MYP Evaluation.

In the workshop, ‘Meri Waali Bhasha’ interactions took place on how to use teaching techniques that are useful and also fun filled to help the students to develop interest and a love for the language they learn to speak and write in. Teachers were encouraged to teach the fun way using riddles, crosswords, jokes, word games and oxymoron, puzzles, tongue twisters. Translanguaging strategies as an effective tool, and points of correlation in different languages were explained and discussed for good teaching and communication, and for ice breaking strategies.

The workshop helped the teachers to further think of ways in which a student can become proficient in listening, speaking, reading, writing and also in thinking in the language to become confident, responsible, reflective, innovative and engaged in the language he/she is studying.

Teachers of CIS were given opportunities and scope to share the common problems they faced in teaching the foreign and regional languages and were encouraged to put across their queries and questions to the experts conducting the workshop

The workshop was initiated by Mrs Sushmita Ray, the Coordinator of the Language Department of the Junior School and was well attended by teachers who found it to be very motivating, useful, interactive and refreshing.



A NOVEL APPROACH TO THE CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK

3CLER

A comprehensive session on the Curriculum framework was conducted by Head of Department English and Curriculum Development Head Preeti Roychoudhury on 15th June in the new academic year. The attendees comprised the Principal of the Junior section Mrs Nayar, along with the entire Junior Section faculty.

The Curriculum Framework or 3CLER as we refer to it, are the guiding principles which direct and inspire the creation and execution of all learning activities in the school. They form the main principles which form the backbone of the sum total of learning experiences in the school.

The 3CLER is an acronym for Critical Thinking, Creativity, Collaboration, Effective Communication, Learner Agency and Research Management. These are mapped to the significant learning skills that are honed in every learner in our school.

The session explained the concept of a curriculum vis-à-vis the syllabus, along with each of the components of the 3CLER. The way forward emanating from the session was focused on mindfully incorporating these 6 terms of reference in all planning.



Building Positive Classroom Instructions



We started the new academic year with zeal and renewed motivation. The School Counsellor, Mrs. Spriha Patronobis, conducted an interactive session with the teachers of the Primary and Junior Section on Building Positive Classroom Instructions. The session focused on Verbal and Non-Verbal Communication and how this impacts our relationships with students, by sensitizing the teacher body on pertinent age appropriate underlying emotional needs of the young minds in their care. Additionally, the session also provided the much needed face to face interaction among teachers, the togetherness of participating in such sessions physically leading to more experiential learning.

"Classroom Management Workshop"



On June 14, The SEN department conducted a workshop with the Junior School teachers, on Classroom Management.

In this workshop, the Special Educators shared effective ways, strategies and techniques, on classroom management while including students with distinctive needs. Special Educators mainly focused on the effective classroom management for the students with SEN needs.

The topic was introduced by sharing the needs and strategies for effective classroom management with real life examples. It was followed by an activity – ‘Find your classroom management style’. It was an interesting activity. Teachers were given a checklist with 12 questions to identify their classroom management style based on the answers given by them. The different types of Classroom Management styles were explained with a multisensory approach.

The workshop was concluded by discussing 5R strategies for effective classroom management.

As shared by teachers, the workshop was very engaging, relevant and practically designed. SEN dept will have a follow up sessions with the teachers to understand the effectiveness of the strategies shared during the session.



An Artist Residency Program in France

Head of Department Visual & Performing Arts, Mr. Subrata Ghosh, attended an artist residency program in France in the months of May and June 2022. He was selected and invited by an artist residency exchange program in LaRex l'Atelier in Cote d'Azur, French Riviera where he was the only Asian artist working. He visited Nice and Cannes where he attended the great Film Festival too. He was quite inspired by Marc Chagal's work on the Old Bible in the Musee de Marc Chagal. He tried to connect the story of Noah with the Indian Mythology of 'Matsya Purana' in his work. The title of his presentation was 'Pour Une Arche' (for an Arc). We heartily congratulate Mr. Ghosh on his grand achievement and wish him many more in the future.



LaRex l'Atelier is proud to announce an Open House Event featuring Resident Artist Subrata Gosh



Red Carpet -Cannes



Musee de Marc Chagal



La Napoule

CONGRATULATIONS

We are very proud to share that Mrs. Pratima Nayar, Principal Junior School, was conferred with the Principal of the Year award 2022, by Universal Mentors Association in association with Brain Wonders at the 3rd EduLeaders Summit in Delhi. Mrs Nayar was hailed as 'a true example of everything helping Indian Education advance'. Warmest congratulations on your well deserved success, Mrs Nayar!



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