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Newsletter

Events in August



Primary Section

17.8.23: Independence Day Celebrations

25.8.23: Parenting session by Counsellors for parents of Grades Pre-Nursery and Nursery

Junior Section

01.8.23: Life skill session by School Counsellors with Grade 2A

02.8.23: Life skill session by School Counsellors with Grade 1B

03.8.23: Life skill session by School Counsellors with Grade 2B

04.8.23: SEN Workshop for Junior School Teachers on Neurodiversity by Mrs. Indrani Basu.

16.8.23: Grade 4 session with the SEN Dept
Launching E waste drive in school

17.8.23: Independence Day Celebrations

18.8.23: Grade 5 session with the SEN Dept

23.8.23: Parenting session by Counsellors for Grades 3 to 5 parents
Grade 4, 7 and IB vertical collaboration 8.30 am to 9 am

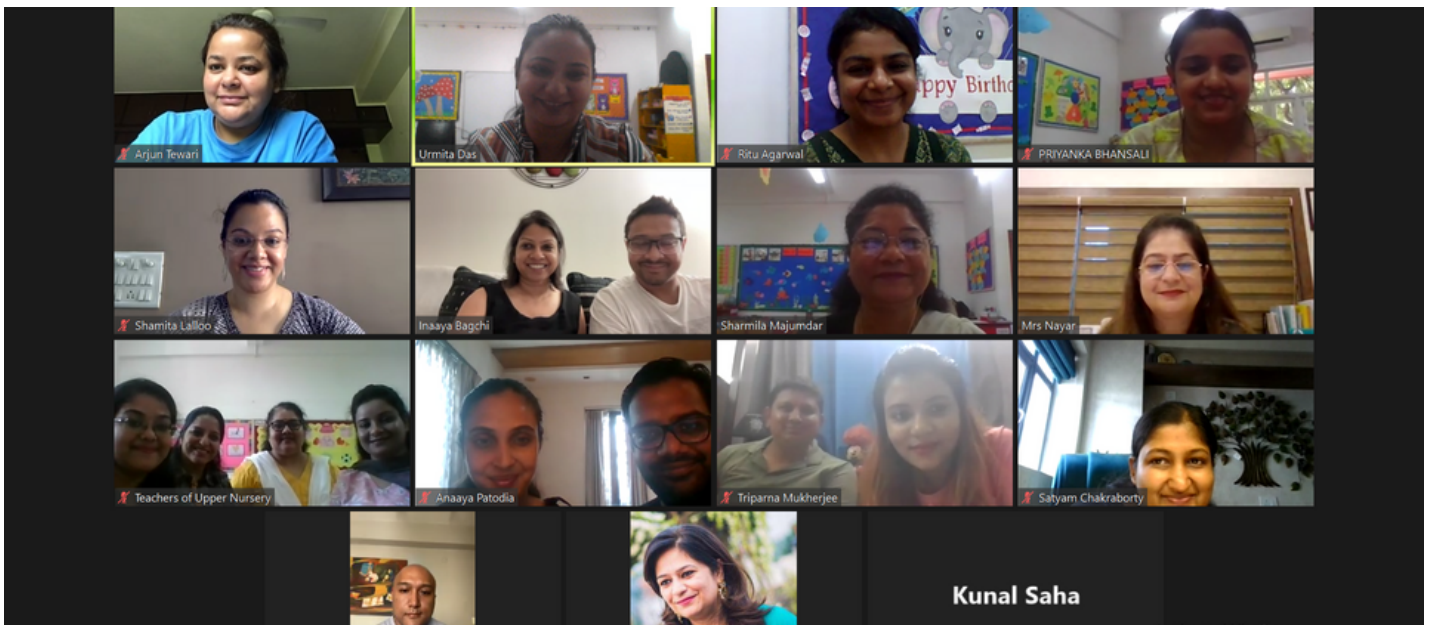
31.8.23: An interactive Session with Golfer Mr Chowrasia for Grades 4 and 5



Induction of new parents to the Primary Section

An online induction ceremony was organized for the new parents who joined the Primary section this academic session. The parents were welcomed and introduced to the respective Class teachers of their children by Mrs. Nayar and Mrs. Majumdar.

The parents were also informed about the upcoming Orientation programme where they would receive a detailed overview of how the Primary section functions.



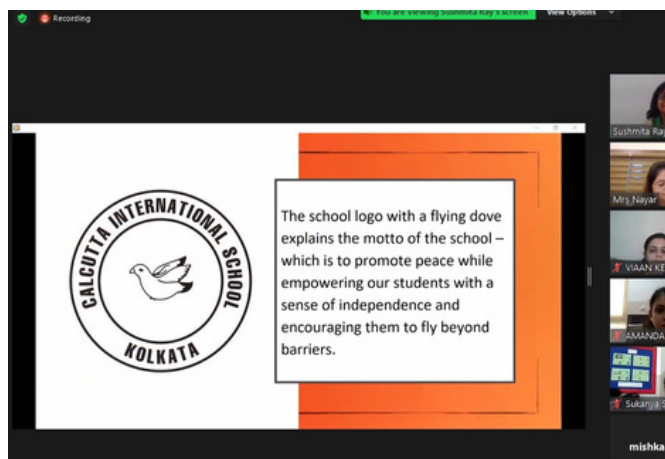
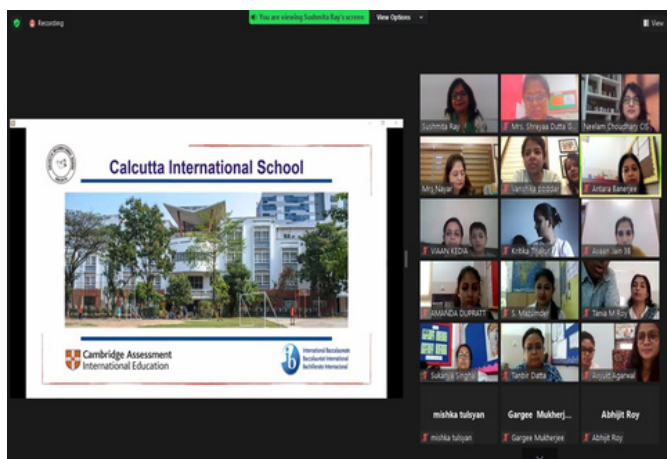
Parent Orientation Programme of the Primary Section


Orientation for the parents of Grades Pre Nursery was conducted on 26th June 2023 followed by the Orientation for parents of Nursery and Upper Nursery on 1st July 2023. The parents were welcomed by our Junior School Principal- Mrs. Pratima Nayar and Primary Section Head - Mrs. Sharmila Majumdar. The class teachers and subject teachers were introduced to the parents. This was followed by a PPT presentation, shared by the class teachers, explaining the rules and guidelines for classes in the upcoming academic year. At the end of the session, parents interacted with the teachers and clarified doubts. Parents were then taken for a tour of the classrooms of their children. We look forward to a great year ahead.



Induction of new parents to the Junior Section

An online induction ceremony was organized for the new parents who joined the CIS family this year. The parents were warmly welcomed and introduced to the academic heads and the respective Class teachers of their children by Mrs. Nayar and Mrs. Choudhary. The parents were also informed about the upcoming Orientation programme where they would receive a detailed overview of the school's functioning.

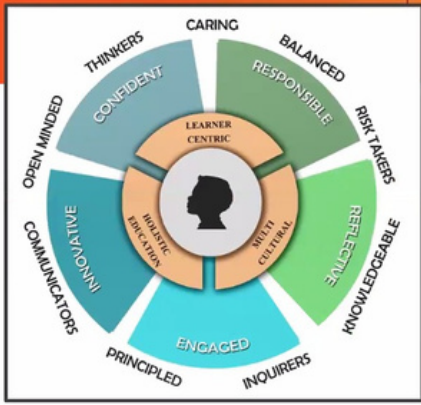




CIS Learner Profile

The Curriculum at CIS

- Flexible and progressive.
- Well-balanced academic and extracurricular programme.
- Respects differences, appreciates cultures of the world.
- Engages the learners, encourages them to be innovative, creative and reflective.
- Creates confident and responsible individuals with an analytical mind.
- Learners become global citizens with a lasting passion for learning.





Parent Orientation Programme of the Junior Section

The Parents' Orientation programme from classes 1 to 5 was conducted successfully on 8th July, 2023. The parents were warmly welcomed and the new parents were introduced to the CIS fraternity by Mrs. Nayar. She then introduced the Junior Section Head, Mrs. Neelam Choudhary, Subject HODs, Subject Coordinators, Class teachers and subject teachers. The Class teachers then through PPT presentations discussed the new rules and existing guidelines for the next academic year. At the end, the parents interacted with the teachers to clarify their doubts. We look forward to a fruitful and exciting year ahead.



Parent Orientation Programme of the Junior Section



Welcoming the students of Pre Nursery

We are delighted to welcome the youngest members of CIS to Grade Pre Nursery for the new academic session 2023-24. We look forward to the exciting adventures ahead of us as the young learners embark on a new journey ahead. We wish them the very best !



Welcoming the students of the Junior Section

Students of the Junior Section attended their first assembly of the session 2023-24 on 30th June, 2023. They were warmly welcomed by Mrs. Nayar and Mrs. Choudhary. The students, who joined CIS this session, introduced themselves to the Section and gave an insight about themselves. Mr. Samad addressed the students to inform them about the upcoming events - Investiture Ceremony and the Annual Swimming Meet. The assembly came to an end with everyone singing the School Song.



Understanding Leadership

With the Student Council selection and Investiture ceremony for the new academic year around the corner, students of grades 3-5 attended a workshop conducted by the school counsellors, Mrs. Spriha Patronobis and Mrs. Sukonna Halder, on 'Understanding Leadership'. Through roleplays, the session allowed students to identify and reflect on the qualities that they would want to see in their leaders. Additionally, they were also able to understand that just as they had certain expectations from their leaders, those in leadership positions also have expectations from their team members, as it is through cooperation and collaboration that we accomplish leadership. The interactive session enabled children to realize that although only a handful may be selected for the student council positions, we all possess leadership skills and there are numerous ways to incorporate the same in our daily lives to develop a healthy, well adjusted self with efficient work habits.



What our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders had to say about some qualities that make good leaders:

Leadership Qualities:

- Kind
- Helpful
- Understanding
- Impartial/ Not biased/equal thoughts for everyone
- Mature
- Doing team work
- Responsible
- Cooperative/ need to work with others (collaborative)
- Brave
- Disciplined
- Loving
- Not bossy/dominating
- Respect everyone
- Peaceful
- Not showing off power
- Not abusive
- Confident
- Practice what you preach
- Fun

Introduction to the Student Council Members (2023-24)

The student council members were introduced to the Junior Section (Grades 1-5) and informed of their roles and responsibilities at an assembly by Mrs. Nayar and Mr. Samad on Thursday, 20th July 2023. We wish the members of the Junior Student Council 2023-24 the very best.

Designation	Green House	Red House	Yellow House
Captain	Viha Goenka	Ishir Jhunjhunwala	Zara Sengupta
Vice - Captain	Sydel Nazir	Rudra Kedia	Anaya Churiwala
Prefect (Grade 5)	Yuvaan Agarwal	Divisha Kejriwal	Ishaan Jalan
Junior Prefect (Grade 4)	Hridyansh Gupta Shivdutti Jalan	Ryan Dutta Gupta Arshiya Gupta	Sashwat Gupta Inaara Johar



Introduction to the Student Council Members (2023-24)



Student Achievements

Results of the Olympiads

It gives us great pleasure to inform that 6 students of the Junior school have performed exceptionally in the SOF Olympiad exams conducted during the academic session 2022-23. They are

Aarav Agarwal: He has won the Zonal Gold medal, Certificate of Excellence and a cash prize of Rs 2500/ in SOF-IMO. Arav has also won a Gift voucher of Rs 500 and Certificate of Excellence for his outstanding performance in SOF-IEO

- Aryan Newar : He has won zonal Gold Medal, Certificate of Zonal excellence and a gift voucher of Rs 1000 for his outstanding performance in SOF-NSO.
- Tamanna Bhutoria: She has won International Gold Medal, Certificate of Outstanding performance and a gift voucher of Rs 1000/ for her excellent performance in SOF-IMO.
- Adhvik Sengupta: He has won Zonal Bronze Medal, Certificate of Zonal Excellence and a Gift voucher of Rs 1000/ for his outstanding performance in SOF-IEO.
- Sanay Parasrampurua: He won Zonal Bronze Medal, Certificate of Zonal Excellence and a Gift voucher of Rs 200 for his performance in SOF-IEO.
- Arhaan Sen: He won a certificate of Zonal Excellence and a gift voucher of Rs 500 for his exceptional performance in the Math Olympiad.

Apart from these students there were many other students who won certificates of Zonal Excellence and Certificate of Merit for their excellent performance. They are Rayerth Kejriwal, Hridyansh Gupta, Demira Mukherjee, Krishnav Marothia, Ishaan Jalan, Divisha Kejriwal. Anaya Churiwala, Avika Kejriwal, Advait Modi, Arohi Agarwal ,Abigail Shuhan Chung ,Tara Mazumder, Medhavi Ashwini Kaul, Arjun Bagaria. Along with them was Sammarth Sanyal.(he was absent)

This is indeed a commendable performance considering that during the academic year 2022-23, over 70,000 schools spread across 70 countries registered for the world's biggest Olympiad and millions of students appeared in the exams conducted by SOF.

Student Achievements

Results of the Olympiads



Corrigendum

We regret that we missed acknowledging Grade 2 (Current Grade 3 students) for their extraordinary performance in the Math and Science Olympiads.

Student Achievements

Accomplishment in Chess

We are proud of Rihansh Pandey's achievement in the 5th Kamlaram Memorial Rapid Rating Chess Tournament where he was placed 2nd in his category. He scored 5.5 points out of 9 and was awarded a silver medal along with a cash prize of Rs. 500. Congratulations Rihansh!



Professional Development

Workshop on ADHD and Organizational Skills

On 19th of June, the SEN Department of Calcutta International School, organized a session on ADHD and Organizational skills. Through the session the teachers were enlightened about the different types of ADHD, methods of identification and strategies that can be used to cater to the unique needs of a person with ADHD, in order to bring out the best in the person. The session ended with an engaging activity. All the teachers enjoyed thoroughly.



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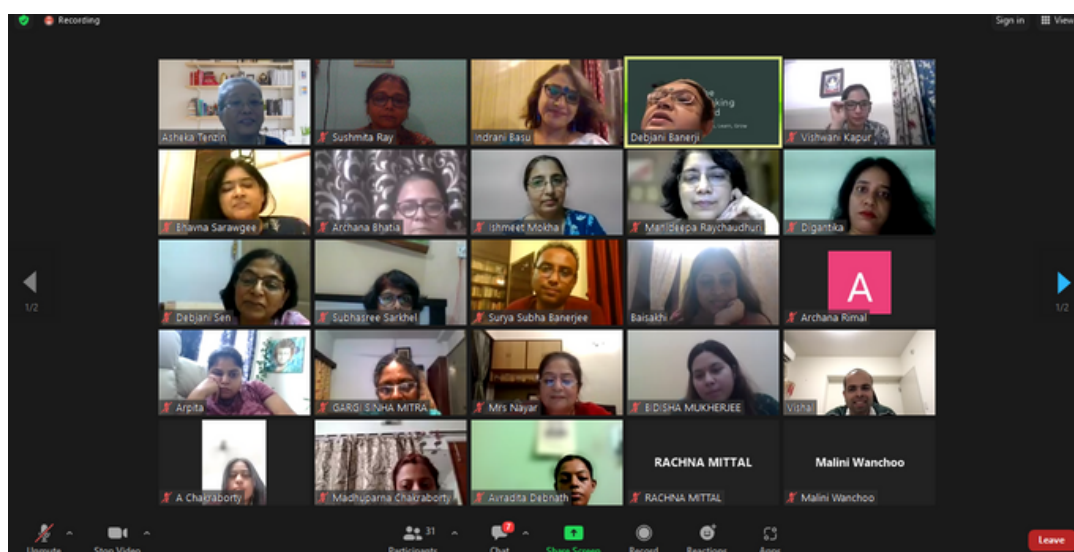
Workshop by The Seeking Mind

Strategies to enhance participation and learning of autistic and neurodiverse students in the Mainstream classroom

In recent years, there has been a growing recognition of the importance of raising awareness and understanding about Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). People with ASD possess unique abilities, experiences and challenges that warrant greater societal understanding and support.

On June 24th and 29th, 2023, the SEN Department of CIS in coordination with The Seeking Mind organized online sessions on how to create an inclusive environment for people on the spectrum. Led by an experienced autism specialist, Mrs. Indrani Basu, the session aimed to provide various effective ways to enhance the participation and learning of autistic and neurodiverse students in the Mainstream classroom. Teachers from CIS - Mrs. Pratima Nayar (Principal – Junior School), Mrs. Baishakhi Sarkar (HOD, SEN Department), Junior Section Special Educators - Mrs. Gargi Sinha Mitra, Ms. Avradita Debnath, and Ms. Agnayee Banerjee, mainstream teachers - Mrs. Sushmita Ray, Mrs. Subhasree Sarkhel, Mrs. Ishmeet K Mokha, Mrs. Bhavna Sarawgee, Mrs Bidisha Mukherjee, Mrs Debjani Sen, Mr Surya Subha Banerjee, Mrs Manideepa Raychaudhuri and Mrs Madhuparna Chakraborty attended this session.

The programme proved to be a valuable opportunity to dispel misconceptions, promote understanding and equip participants with practical tools for supporting individuals with ASD. By fostering empathy, promoting effective communication strategies, and advocating for inclusive environments, we can work towards a society that embraces and celebrates the unique strengths and contributions of the individuals on the spectrum.



Professional Development

Workshop by The Seeking Mind

Strategies to enhance participation and learning of autistic and neurodiverse students in the Mainstream classroom

Situation 1

- Make the learning concrete
- With objects
- We can use examples from the sum as demonstration ideas, demonstrate with the same objects to clarify concept (Balloons)



3) Frazer has 14 .
Sally has 4 .
What is the sum? _____

- Work on reading comprehension
- Highlight key words



Zoom Meeting

You are viewing Indrani Basu's screen View Options

Recording

Sushmita Ray Ashika Tenzin Indrani Basu Digantika's iPhone A Chakraborty BIDISHA MUKHERJEE

OUR ROLE

Surface Management..... In The 'Rage' Stage

- Remain calm
- Prioritize safety of ALL students
- Have a plan
- Know what to do, whom to call, where to move other students if necessary, and which adult(s) will support you in the event that a meltdown occurs

Sign in

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Professional Development

Workshop on Building Positive Classroom Community

To start the new academic year with rejuvenated spirits, school counsellors Mrs. Spriha Patronobis, Mrs. Farishta Dastur Mukerji and Mrs. Sukonna Halder, conducted a workshop for all Junior section teachers on Positive Classroom Community. The interactive and experiential learning session focused on the importance of community as one of the integral human needs, and the impact of positive community on the social and emotional development of each child.



Professional Development

Workshop on Building Positive Classroom Community



Professional Development

Sharing session on Teaching strategies by the the Language Department

The most valuable resource that all teachers have is each other. Without collaboration our growth is limited to our own perspectives. - Robert John Meehan

The teachers of the Language Department shared their experiences and learnings from different workshops they had attended. Mrs Tinku Yadav and Mrs Radhika Dhanuka conducted a session on Project Based Learning. At a different meeting, Mr Abhijit Roy conducted a sharing session on the CAIE workshop - Improving Speaking Performance in the Classrooms. Various teaching strategies were shared at both these sessions and the teachers of the department look forward to implementing them in their lessons.



Professional Development

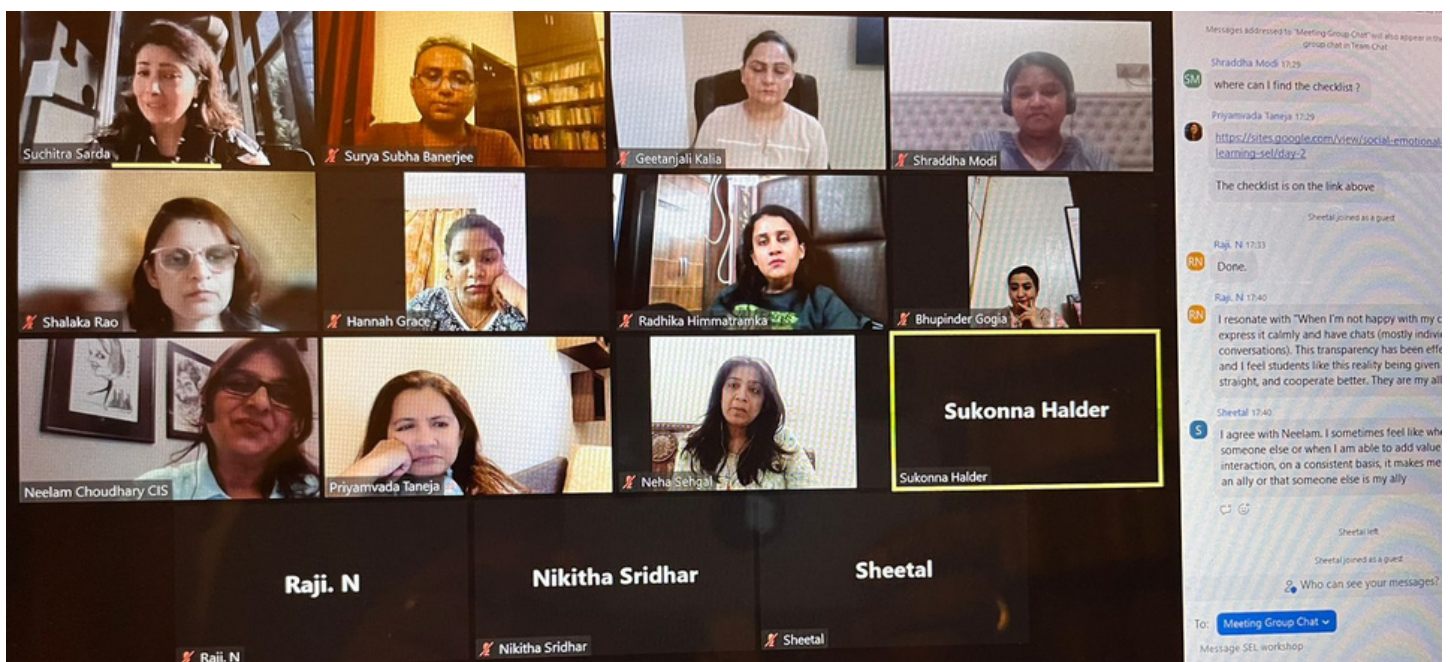
Workshop on Integrating Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) in our classrooms and schools

Mrs Choudhary, Junior School Section Head, Mr Banerjee Middle School Section Head and Mrs Halder, School Counsellor attended a three day online workshop "Integrating Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) in our classrooms and schools" from 21st June to 23rd June 23. The workshop was conducted by Priyamvada Consulting and facilitated by Mrs Suchitra Sarada.

Throughout the workshop, each session began with check-ins and provided moments for mindful pauses and resetting, fostering a conducive learning environment. Each session concluded with reflections and an optimistic closure, promoting a sense of growth and positivity.

The introductory session delved into the definition of social-emotional learning, explored the CASEL framework, examined theories that inform SEL practices, and identified tangible indicators of SEL implementation. The second session focussed on practical strategies for integrating SEL practices within classrooms and lessons, empowering teachers to create a nurturing and supportive learning environment. Additionally, participants explored the theories underlying implementation science, including the key components and factors necessary for systemic implementation of SEL in schools. It was an enriching workshop.

It gave the participating teachers an opportunity to develop an understanding of SEL, practical tools for implementation and the ability to make meaningful connections between SEL and their personal and professional lives.



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