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The background of the newsletter cover is a photograph of the Calcutta International School building. The building is a modern, multi-story structure with a white facade and large windows. A large, leafy green tree stands in the foreground, partially obscuring the building. In the bottom left corner, a group of children is visible, some sitting on the ground and others standing. The overall scene is bright and sunny.

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Calendar Events

Graduation Day Ceremony

On Wednesday, 28th June, Calcutta International School held its annual Graduation Day ceremony for the batch of 2023. Attended by parents, guests, and teachers of the graduating batch, the event was held at GD Birla Sabhagar, and was organised primarily by the current students of grade 12. The event team was led by Mrs Debalina Mitra Chatterjee with all teachers of the senior section divided into different committees.



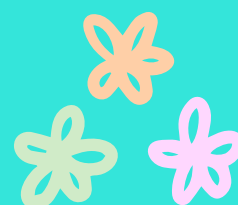
The evening began with an inspiring speech made by the Senior Principal, Ms Tina Servaia; followed by touching words from the Junior Principal, Ms Pratima Nayar. The Section Heads, Ms Susmita Mukherjee and Dr Runa Auddy, and Career Counsellor, Ms Sanjukta Poddar, shared playful anecdotes about the graduating batch. The Chief Guest was Professor Basab Choudhury, Senior Director (Education) of the Heritage Institute of Technology, KBT. Professor Choudhury was previously Vice Chancellor of the West Bengal State University for five and a half years.



The valedictorians, Yuvraj Jhanwar from the IBDP and Rohan Arya Marda from CIE A Levels were felicitated, followed by the salutatorians, Ayanika Bhattacharjee from the IBDP and Arushi Sanghi from A Levels. The Students of the Year were Ayanika Bhattacharjee and Prithviraj Jhunjhunwala and Teachers' Choice award winners, Rishi Jain and Shreya Kaveri Ghosh were duly awarded. The awards were followed by a riveting Jugalbandi recital featuring sitar and tabla, performed by Rohit Dey and Dhiman Narayan of Grades 10 and IBDP-Year II. The formal section of the evening concluded with the ceremonial throwing of the hats and singing of the school song.



After a short break for refreshments, the informal ceremony began with a video compiled by the students of Grade 12, in which teachers recalled hilarious anecdotes involving the students. The evening ended with a delightful dance performance by Grade 12 to a medley of songs in which the graduating batch joined in to match steps with them, concluding the evening with laughs and cheers.



Graduation Batch Placements

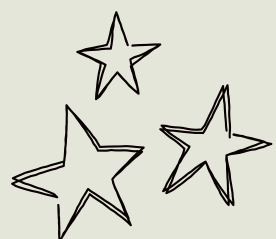
Congratulations to the Batch of 2023!

Students from Calcutta International School secure placements at some of the most prestigious colleges and universities in the world. Our graduates continue their education at top colleges and universities across the globe. This year our students have enrolled at Universities in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Netherlands, Hungary, Russia, Germany, France, Japan, and our very own India.

While our pedagogy is academically inclined which helps students build their logical reasoning and aptitude skills, we also work individually with students to identify their career path and build their profiles. Join us in congratulating our graduates as they prepare to embark on their new journey!



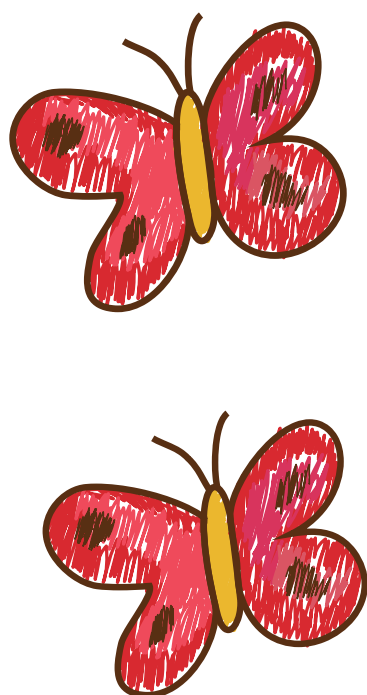
CONGRATULATIONS





Student Election and Investiture, 2023-2024

20th July 2023 marked the beginning of the academic year 2023-24's Student Council - with its most awaited event - the Elections. Students starting from classes 8 to 12 joined in to compete for various leadership positions of the House and the School. CIS takes pride in running student-vote driven elections wherein all students vote for their own student council leaders. This encourages healthy competition, and a stronger sense of responsibility of the elected members. Enthusiastic and bold, the nominees addressed the students of the school and the voting followed. Prudently, the voters chose their own future leaders. No doubt, excited murmurs and predictions quickly swept the school- only to be confirmed the following Monday.



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On 26th July 2023, the Investiture ceremony of the school student leadership for the academic year 2023-34 took place. Our prestigious Chief Guest Mrityunjay Singh, OSD at Ministry of Home & Hill affairs W. Bengal, joined us to congratulate and encourage the students as they embark on an ambitious journey as part of the student council.

Through a formal ceremony attended by the senior students, the new members were sworn in by the Principals and the School Captain.



Student Council 2023-2024

POSITION	NAME
SCHOOL CAPTAIN	Advik Harlalka
SCHOOL VICE CAPTAIN	Dongin Lee
SCHOOL DEPUTY VICE CAPTAIN	Gita Basu Mahagama
HEAD OF MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION	Debsingha Sirkar
DEPUTY HEAD OF MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION	Smera Kanaujia
HEAD OF SOCIAL SERVICE	Ankana Ghosh Dastidar
DEPUTY HEAD OF SOCIAL SERVICE	Arya Bhutoria
HEAD OF ALUMNI RELATIONS	Indira Biswas
DEPUTY HEAD OF ALUMNI RELATIONS	Deeptendu Shekhar Ray
TECHNICAL ADVISOR	Arav Budhiraja

RED HOUSE

POSITION	NAME
CAPTAIN	Yash Bagchi
VICE CAPTAIN	Rohit Dey
SENIOR PREFECT	Arghamaan Dutta
JUNIOR PREFECT	Dhruvanshi Ray

GREEN HOUSE

POSITION	NAME
CAPTAIN	Elrich Chen
VICE CAPTAIN	Devansh Saraf
SENIOR PREFECT	Hrishit Poddar
JUNIOR PREFECT	Risha Bhattacharya

YELLOW HOUSE

POSITION	NAME
CAPTAIN	Shreyan Banerjee
VICE CAPTAIN	Advay Nathany
SENIOR PREFECT	Kaavin Raja
JUNIOR PREFECT	Cheero Roy

CIS MODEL UNITED NATIONS

WE ARE THE FUTURE!

From July 13th to 15th, the MUN and Debate Club of Calcutta International School presented its largest ever edition of CISMUN, a 3 day Model United Nations Conference with over 150 students from around the city and country!

Right from the moment where secretary generals- Prakhar Drolia and Sia Agarwal struck the gavel, the students of the school thoroughly enjoyed participating in, and organising the conferences that ranged from agendas like human trafficking, insurgency in Africa, militarisation in the Arctic, and even the Russia-Ukraine conflict!

As students attended these committees, as delegates or volunteers, they witnessed the impact of some of today's most pressing issues, and were inspired by the solutions and arguments presented.



On the second and longest day of the conference, everyone was ecstatic to attend the DJ night, organised in the multipurpose court of the school. After hours of difficult deliberation, it was only fair for all delegates and volunteers to let loose as music and dance engulfed the campus!

Throughout CISMUN, our students made memories and friends, while simultaneously participating actively in simulating the decisions made by international organisations on pressing world issues! The event was meticulously planned and executed smoothly by the students, with the guidance and support of their teachers all the while embracing the true values of CIS as a school.



COLLOSSEUM-BY DECA CLUB

'WHEN BUSINESS MATTERS'

On 11th July 2023, the DECA club of Calcutta International School organised the second edition of its inter-school business festival, 'Colosseum' which was a business conclave that provides budding entrepreneurs with the opportunity to use their critical thinking and negotiation skills to solve crises faced in the corporate world. The goal for this event was to foster an environment of learning, growth, and meaningful connections.

When faced with real-world issues that managers and CEOs deal with on a daily basis, participants were forced to think out of the box to come up with innovative solutions and be the best to win these highly competitive events. The events ranged across different corporate fields, such as Shark Tank, Joint Venture, IPL Auction, Debate, BoardRoom, Stock market and Logo making.



With seven schools participating, the five hour event was a resounding success. Delhi Public School Ruby Park placed first, followed by South City International School as runners-up.



TOK EXHIBITION

TOKathon – a TOK exhibition was hosted by our IBDP Year II students on July 19th, 2023 at the AVR. TOK is one of the core components of the IBDP curriculum and is a challenging critical thinking course centered on the question “how do we know?” The students demonstrated their understanding of the ways in which knowledge is constructed and evaluated across different disciplines.

The audience found themselves engaged with diverse and interesting presentations, unique prompts for each student such as “Who owns knowledge?” and “To what extent is certainty attainable?” Each student individually identified three objects to justify their prompts and presented convincing explanations which evidenced their competencies in critical thinking.

The students were appreciated highly by the audience. It not only left a great learning impact on our students but also provided an insight into the different perspectives of knowledge.



WORKSHOPS & IN-HOUSE EVENTS

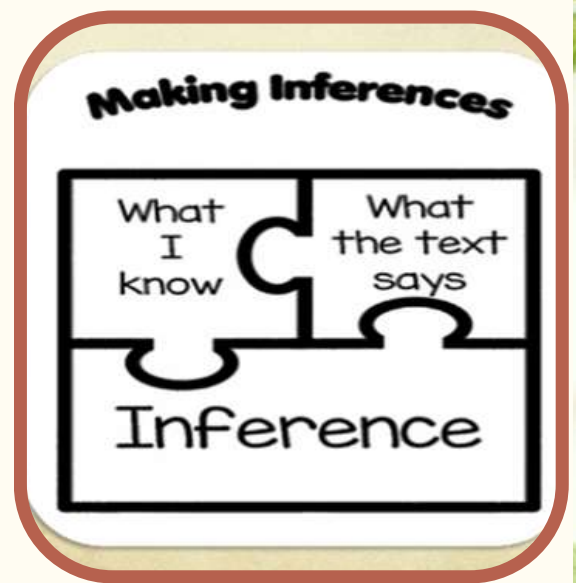
Counsellor's Session: Identifying Emotional Triggers

At CIS, we strongly believe in creating lasting bonds with our students that go far beyond academics, to understand their individual needs and to develop a meaningful relationship with each one of them. The counseling team at CIS, conducted a session for all teachers of grades six to twelve on understanding emotional needs of the students in their care. The interactive and experiential learning session focused on building insight into various challenges faced by students today, how to identify student behaviour as indicative of emotional distress and strategies to respond to the same so that need based and timely support can be provided to our children, and in turn they can grow to be well adjusted and resilient individuals.

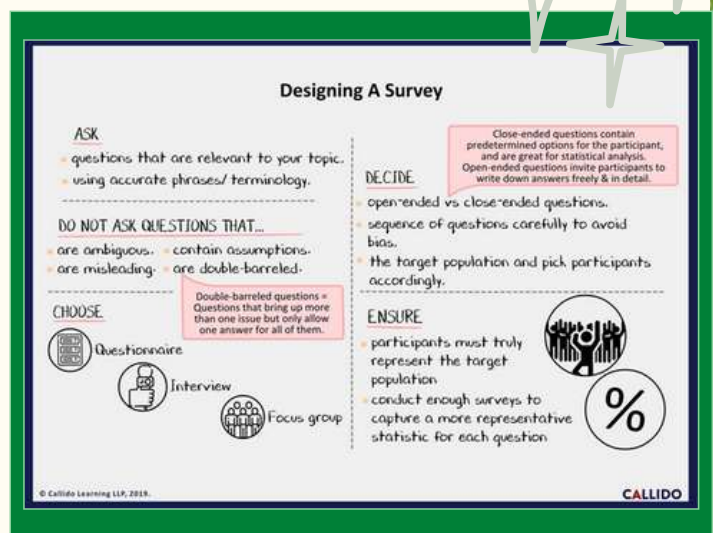


Callido Workshop

A Callido Workshop was held from 26th to 28th June, for students from the IB and A level curriculum intended to develop and hone many different skills which they would require to face the world with all its challenges. The workshop focused on critical-thinking skills, research skills and analytical skills and was complete with interactive team activities which aimed to sharpen students' capabilities and collaborative skills.



New research methods and techniques for presenting arguments in an organised way were also taught and the workshop required the students to complete online modules that elaborated on framing research questions, making inferences, and constructing argument maps. On the third day of the workshop, the students were required to present a video or presentation as a group on one aspect of the school that they would like to change in order to improve learning. Overall, the workshop was an immersive and enlightening experience that aided students in preparing for university level research skills and higher-order thinking.



Science Club Debuts 'Helix'



We are thrilled to unveil 'Helix,' our brand-new science magazine at Calcutta International School! Designed to ignite curiosity and inspire a deep appreciation for science, 'Helix' will take our students on captivating scientific adventures beyond the classroom walls.

What can you expect from 'Helix'? Engaging articles, mind-expanding experiments, thought-provoking interviews, and challenging puzzles await our young scientists. This magazine aims to make science accessible, relatable, and enjoyable for learners of all ages, empowering them to become lifelong learners and contributors to the scientific community.

Parents, teachers, and students, get ready to embark on a fascinating scientific journey! The inaugural issue of 'Helix' for the academic year 2022-23 is now available. Dive into the captivating content, explore new discoveries, and embrace the wonders of the natural world.

Stay tuned for more exciting updates! We are thrilled to announce that we will be launching another edition of 'Helix' for the upcoming academic year. Get ready for a whole new set of articles, experiments, and scientific discoveries. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to foster a love for science among our students.

Thank you for your continued support in providing the best educational opportunities for our students. Let's make Calcutta International School a hub of scientific exploration and curiosity!



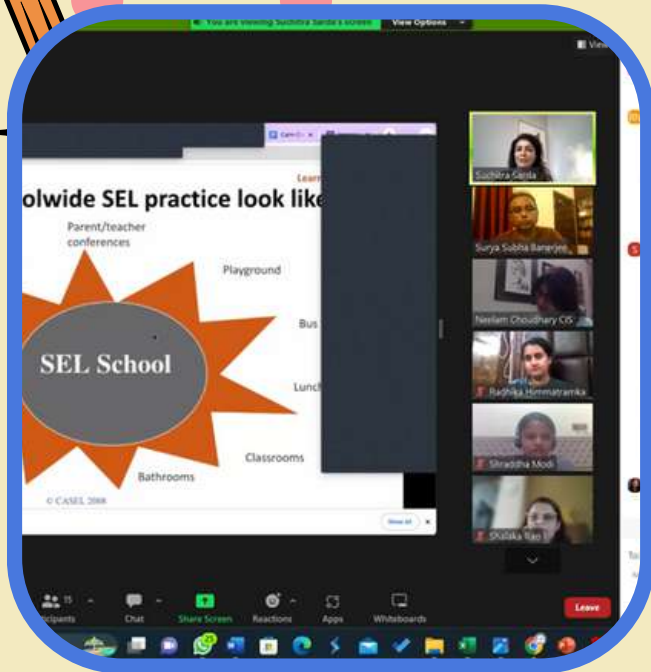
SEL in Classrooms



School counselors Mrs. Spriha Patronobis, Mrs. Farishta Dastur Mukerji and Mrs. Sukonna Halder, conducted a capacity building session on 'Life skills and SEL in the Classroom' for all class teachers and co-class teachers of middle and senior section. The purpose of the session was to create awareness among teachers on the need for Social Emotional Learning (SEL) in the classroom and how this inculcates holistic development for each child, through social and emotional literacy. The hands-on and interactive session enabled teachers with an immersive experience, to draw from their own experiences and come up with relevant concerns and skill building areas for students which can be addressed in the classroom in an age-appropriate manner.

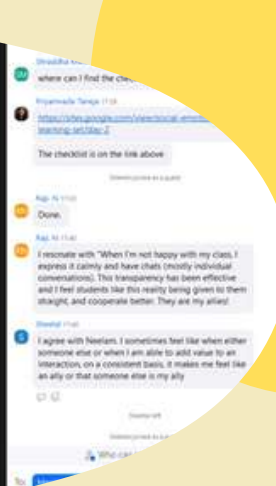
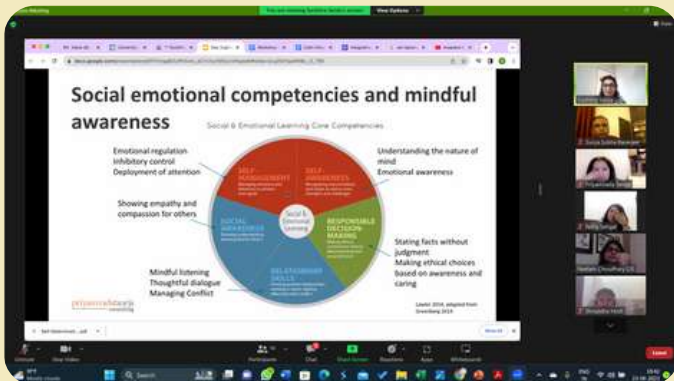


Workshop- The Importance of SEL in the Classroom



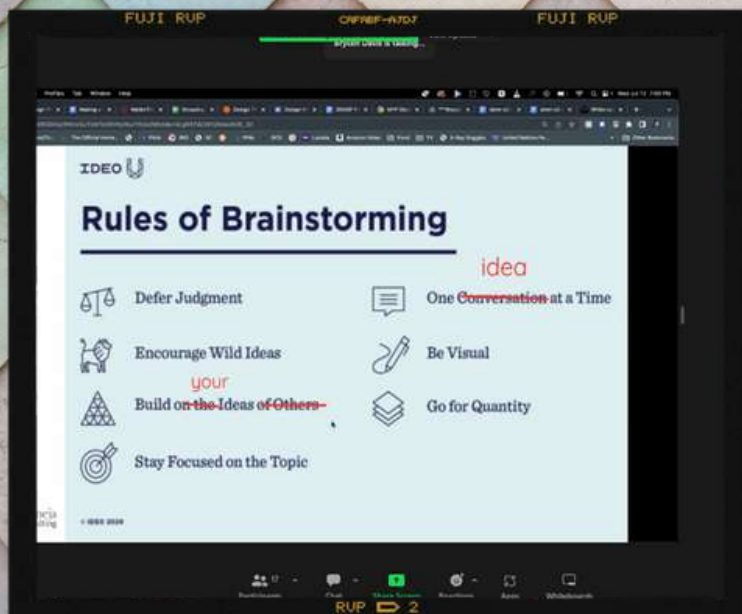
Surya Subha Banerjee along with the school counsellor Sukonna Haldar attended a three day workshop on Social Emotional Learning in a classroom, organised by Priyanvada Tanjea Consulting. The workshop was conducted by Educationist and Counselling professional Ms Suchitra Sarda.

This workshop provided invaluable insight into the integration of SEL in every classroom. The attendees discussed the Calm-Care-Kind format, the concept of Mindfulness and also teaching students to be active listeners to become better problem solvers and more aware of their own surroundings. The workshop also shed light on how the SEL curriculum can be developed and components of SEL can be incorporated in every subject in daily lessons.

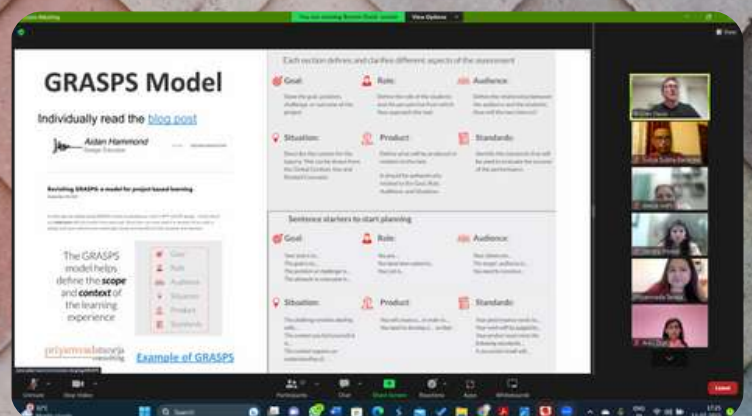


WORKSHOP ON DESIGN THINKING

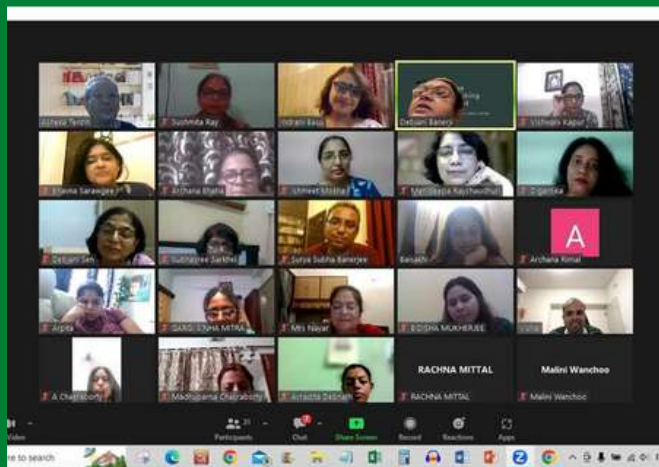
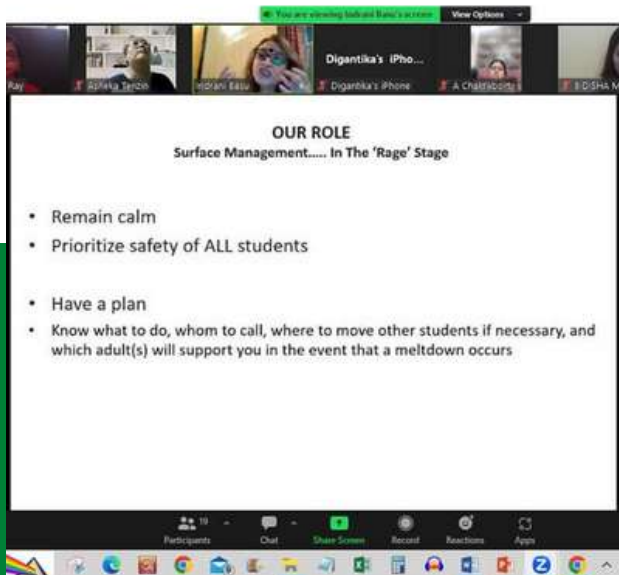
Renowned innovation expert and educators, Priyamvada Taneja and Brycen Devis, led an inspiring three-day workshop on "Design Thinking: A Mindset and Approach to Learning, Collaboration, and Problem Solving." The transformative event, held from July 11th to July 13th 2023, garnered attention from professionals, educators, and enthusiasts eager to explore the potential of design thinking as a catalyst for creativity and innovation.



Through interactive exercises and collaborative activities, Ms. Taneja's team skilfully trained Mr. Surya Subha Banerjee and Ms. Debatmita Guha in cross-disciplinary teams, urging participants to break free from conventional thinking patterns. Priyamvada Taneja's workshop on design thinking proved to be a powerful stepping stone for those seeking to unlock their creative potential and effect positive change in practice.



SEEKING MIND WEBINAR



Situation 1

Make the learning concrete

with objects

can use examples from the sum as demonstration ideas, demonstrate with the same objects to clarify concept (Balloons)



Work on reading comprehension

highlight key words

A two day online workshop on **'Strategies to enhance participation and learning of autistic and neurodiverse students in the Mainstream classroom'** was organised by the Seeking Minds.

The resource person, Ms. Indrani Basu of Action For Autism held a discourse on integration and handling of students who are on the spectrum.

The workshop was attended by the Special Educators, Ms Baishakhi Sarkar and Mrs Gargi Sinha Mitra, the Middle School Section Head, Mr. Surya Shubho Banerjee, the IGCSE Section Head, Mrs. Debjani Sen, and teachers- Mrs. Manideepa Roychowdhury and Ms. Madhuparna Chakraborty.

The participants learnt about some extremely effective teaching strategies that mesh with the autistic learning style. These strategies can be implemented right away in classrooms to support the autistic students.

While these strategies can most definitely benefit the autistic and other neurodiverse students, it is also designed to enhance attention and participation of all regular students.

Ms. Basu shared valuable resources during and after the workshop. Teachers too shared their experiences in dealing with autistic children and several innovative and effective learning strategies came up through these discussions and brainstorming sessions.

CLUB FEST



On the 7th of July CIS organized a club fair for the students of Grades VI to VIII.

The fair was held to introduce the children to the various clubs in school. Each club had an unique way of promoting their club and lure students to join as members.

The culinary and tourism club had different ingredients wrapped in toffee wrappers that students had to identify. The humanities club displayed the work done by students the last academic year. The interact club showcased their annual report and a glimpse of what to expect this year.

The already popular MUN club was seen offering candies to students to attract them to join the club. The Maths club was seen discussing complex problems. The ever popular Deca was flooded with questions.

It was an extremely interactive session and students had a glimpse of what to expect from the clubs this academic year. The fair was held with the idea of helping the students make an informed and wise choice of club.



Parent Orientation of Grades 6,9, AS and IB1



As the new session began, we welcomed a fresh batch of Grades 6,9 AS and IBDP Year I into Senior School. Parent Orientation was organised to appraise the parents and students about what the coming session would hold.

An overview of academic and non academic activities along with examinations and codes of conduct were shared with them. The sessions received an overwhelming response from parents, got the students excited about the new journey and made the transition into the next level, smooth and seamless.



EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARDS, 2022-2023



On 23rd June, the academic, non-academic and support staff of Calcutta International School were felicitated for their exemplary activities and service for the previous academic year. The Employee Recognition Awards 2022-2023 recognised those individuals who were the driving forces behind innovative collaborations and workshops as well as mentors and guides to various teachers and students.

From the Middle and Senior school, the awardees included, Arpita Gomes, Debatmita Guha, Samayeeta Das Acharya, Kusumika Mitra, Preeti Roychoudhury, and Juthika Mal. Certificates of Appreciation were also awarded to Tora Pal Choudhury, Sreeja Kundu, Abhishek Dutta, Pratik Ali, Udita Sarkar, and Aruna Mukhopadhyay for their readiness to help above all else.



COFFEE MEET

A Coffee Meet for the parents of Grade 10 students was held on Thursday 27th of July in the AVR. The parents were briefed about a student exchange programme with Alfrink College Netherlands. Mrs Debjani Sen, the IGCSE Section Head and Mrs Susmita Mukherjee the Senior School Section Head spoke extensively on the trip and addressed every concern of parents.

The session was held to ease the minds of the parents and discuss the trip's itinerary, advantages, and other details. Coffee Meets were also held for Grades 7.8. A2 and IBDP Year II . The discussions focussed on academics and other areas of student development. The sessions were held on the following dates:

24th July Grade 7

26th July Grade 8

17th July-A2

19th July- IBDP Year II



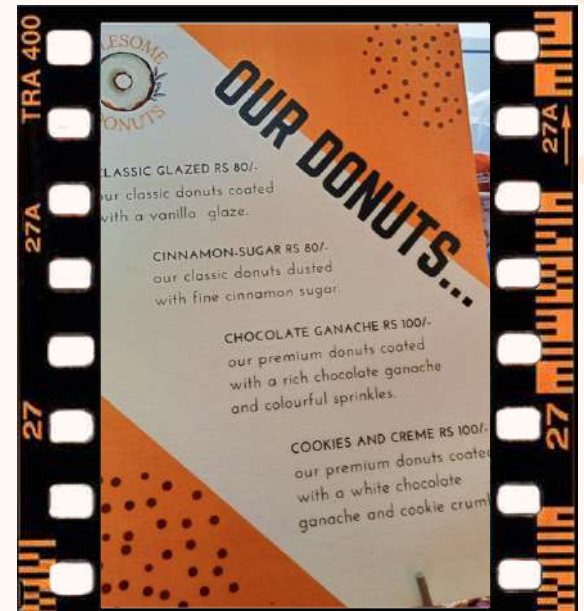
BAKE SALE

A bake sale, held on 11th of July, 2023 at CIS by Manya Gardia, one of our students from 8A , was a resounding success! Thanks to the incredible support and generosity of our school community, teachers, students, and the DECA club members, the sale surpassed the goals and the proceeds made a significant impact on the lives of animals.



We are proud to announce that the sale raised an impressive amount of funds. Every profit earned from the bake sale will be donated to the Ashari Animal Shelter , enabling them to continue their invaluable work of rescuing and caring for animals in need. The contribution of the students will directly impact the lives of these innocent creatures and help provide them with a brighter future.

We are excited to embark on future endeavors that empower us to give back and inspire others to do the same.



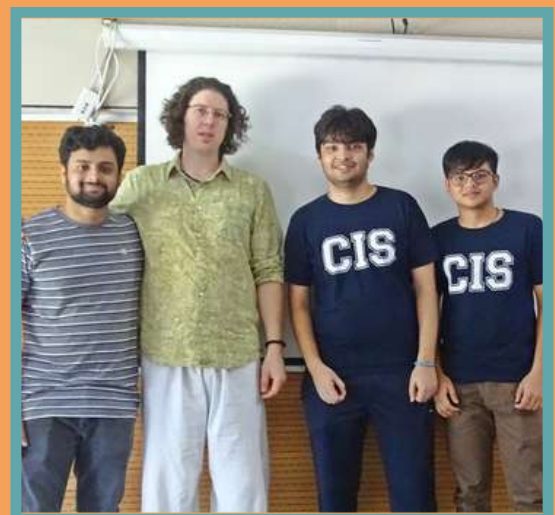
MUSICAL SESSION WITH JONATHAN KAY



On 26th July, Jonathan Kay a saxophone player who has been touring and performing Jazz as well as Hindustani Raagsangeet for several years now, was invited to speak to the students of grades 10 and 11 to discuss his journey and the contribution music has had on his life.

The event started with a brief recital of Raga Todi which was brilliantly demonstrated on the saxophone. After the performance, Mr. Kay addressed the students about his musical journey. This was followed by a question and answer session conducted by Dhiman Narayan and Anchit Sengupta of grade 12 where they discussed about his experience living in Kolkata, his musical work both in the West and in India, and also imparted some wisdom on how to accept and appreciate a diverse range of cultures.

The session ended with a performance with an Indo-Jazz composition by Mr. Kay after which he also interacted with some students.



STATIONERY DRIVE



The stationery and book drive orchestrated by Risha Bhattacharya of 8B from 3rd to 14th July, was an astounding success. She demonstrated remarkable dedication in collecting a substantial assortment of stationery goods and books. These generous donations were then presented to "Voice of World," a commendable non-profit institution that provides essential services and support to visually disabled children, creating a nurturing home for those coping with diverse physical and mental challenges.

The impact of this drive catalyzes our future endeavors, motivating us to create a positive change in the world and extend a helping hand to those in need.



External Events

BOSCO Model United Nations

On 27th and 28th June, Calcutta International School sent a delegation of students from classes eight to ten to attend Don Bosco Park Circus' Model United Nations. The students were extremely excited to represent countries and individuals from around the world, and enjoyed participating in a plethora of committees, ranging from The Special Session on the Second Congo War, to the European Union, to the Bilderberg Conference, and a Historic Security Council Committee on the Situation in Afghanistan!



As they engaged in debates and negotiations with other 'delegates' from around the world, they were constantly challenged to think critically and creatively, and to consider a range of perspectives and solutions to some of the most pressing global issues over the last few decades. They were also amazed by the level of dedication and passion shown by their fellow delegates, and learned a lot from each other throughout the course of the conference.

Interact Club Wins Second Prize at Annual Interact Meet, 2023

On 28th June, Calcutta International School was awarded the second prize in the category 'Care for Animals', in the Annual Interact Meet 2023 held at South City International School Campus. The club members collected money for the school cat Cinderella who had met with an accident and required money for her operation as well as routine vaccinations. It was a proud moment for all interact club members who continue to inspire others with their efforts to bring about small positive changes in the environment around them.



HOOPS FOR BILLU

From the 14th to the 17th of February, the ICCIS held an intra-school fundraiser basketball tournament named "Hoops For Billu." The purpose of this event was to raise funds for the surgery and treatment of our school cat Billu, who recently met with a car accident. A total of 10 teams, consisting of 6 players each, participated in this Basketball tournament. ICCIS made around Rs. 18,000 from this event. The cat has completely recovered now and is in good health. The money left over from the fundraiser is now being used to fund future projects. We are glad to say that "Hoops For Billu" was a success, and we were able to help Billu recover back to perfect condition.



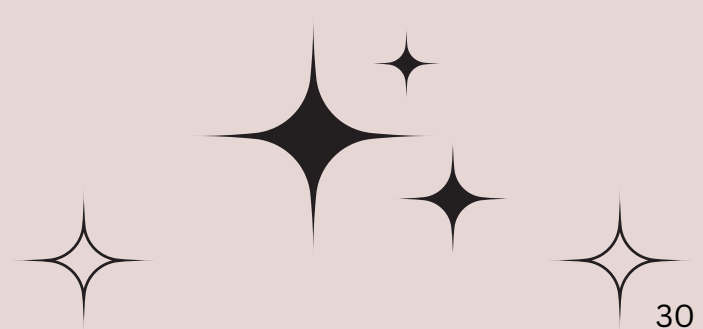
Interact Club of Calcutta International School — Project Report 2022

Making Memories at Maitree, 2023



CIS recently participated in the most-awaited fest of the year- Maitree, 2023, organised by Modern High School, in the fashion show category. The students were required to model clothes and propose a business pitch for the event.

Furthermore, the most challenging part was that the students had to incorporate new technologies into their pitch as a result of which, CIS proposed a block chain-based app called 'Transparency Hub' as their business model. The ramp walk was vibrant and based on the rap and freestyle culture of the 2000's. The students enjoyed the fest and made enjoyable memories from the experience.

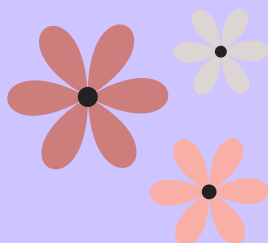


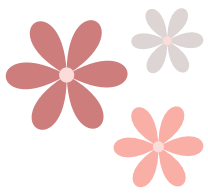
DRAMA COMPETITION AT THE US CONSULATE

The U.S Consulate organised an Interschool Drama Competition: 'Unscripted' Reimagining American Plays' in the month of July. The script written by A Level students of CIS was an adaption of the play 'Cat on a Hot Tin Roof' by Tennessee Williams.

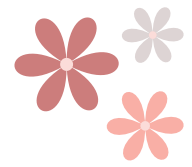


The cast that comprised ten students from the senior section, gave a spirited performance that earned praises and rave reviews from many.





CHRYSLIS



The much-awaited annual fest of Delhi Public School, Ruby Park, Chrysalis, was hosted on 14th & 15th July, in which a multitude of events took place. CIS participated and excelled in many of them. Debsingha Sirkar of IBDP Year II won the Photography event, 'Shutterbug'. CIS placed second in 'Digi-Art', the digital art event led by Ansh Garodia and Parnika Dalan.



In Drapeeze, a fashion design event, Arshita Sanghi and Granthana placed second. Lastly, our all-girl basketball team participated in 'Slam Dunk', represented by Gita Basu Mahagama, Mihiri Basu Mahagama, Aanya Jain, Saamya Sinha, Skyla Nasir, Manya Saraf, and Arya Bhutoria. The two days of fun and frolic created memories and built friendships for a lifetime.



THE TIMES OF INDIA FELICITATES BOARD TOPPERS!

Recently, CIS students who secured the top three positions in each of the three board exam batches namely IGCSE, A-level and IB DP, were felicitated by The Times Of India.

In the IGCSE Board Examinations, Sreeja Sarkar and Evangeli Saha secured the first and the second rank respectively while Arya Bhutoria and Saamya Sinha jointly secured the third rank.

Rohan Arya Marda, Arushi Sanghi and Manan Poddar secured the top three ranks respectively in the A-Level Board Examinations while Yuvraj Jhanwar, Rishi Jain and Ayanika Bhattacharjee were the top three scorers in the IB DP Board Examinations

We congratulate the felicitated students and wish them a bright future ahead.



JACOMUN'23:

This year, our school participated in the JACOMUN'23 from July 17th to July 19th. The MUN was held at the Hotel Hindustan International and was organised by St. James School. Around 400 students participated in the 8 committees that made up this year's JACOMUN. Even students from Mumbai and Chandigarh travelled great distances to participate.

In this event students discussed agendas, lobbied different nations delegates to form a bloc or an alliance, and even went against some nations. This led to intense debates during open floors and unmoderated caucuses. During a moderated caucus or a general speakers' list, students spoke about the issue at hand: the nation's foreign policy. In addition to this, on the last day, students wrote and discussed paperwork which included resolutions, proposals and discussions about solutions to the agenda or problem. When this paperwork was presented to the entire committee, every clause was thoroughly examined to look for any little errors that would allow a delegate to reject the resolution.

There were many committees that CIS students participated in; out of these, 3 of them even won awards! Vidit Agarwal of grade AS won the Outstanding Delegate in Ispolkom, Anirudh Mukherji of grade AS won Special Mention in the European Commission and Agastya Srivastava of Grade 9 won Verbal Mention in the European Commission.

Our students learned a lot by participating in JACOMUN, not just about committees and agendas but also about important skills like writing effective speeches and conducting thorough research. They reconnected with old friends and made a lot of new ones. Each experience, whether giving speeches during the GSL or speaking impromptu in an open floor, was fun and beneficial. MUN not only helped us come out of their shells and gain the confidence to speak up, but it also enhanced their capacity for problem-solving and leadership. It was a very rewarding experience that was, both, enjoyable and educational.



MORPHEUS



South City International School held its annual and much awaited fest, Morpheus on 15th & 16th July and was attended by students from CIS who participated in a variety of events.



CIS students emerged as winners of the Western Band event which comprised talented musicians such as Indira Biswas, Anchit Sengupta, Dhiman Narayan, Lakshya Agarwal, Aurni Sarkar and Advay Nathani. In the Valorant event, students also participated and earned accolades thanks to the participants Sachetan Harbhajanka, Ethan Chung, Ahan Law, Logan Wu, Prannjyay Gupta and Aarav Bagrecha.

The epic event of FIFA saw Humraz Ali emerge as the winner. Lastly in the Logo event, Parnika Dalan and Dhriti Agarwalla brought laurels to the school. Congratulations to all participants for making CIS proud!



'SANMARG' FELICITATES HINDI STUDENTS AND TEACHER



On 16th July, Grade 10 Hindi students who secured an A* in the Feb-March series of IGCSE Board Examination were felicitated by Sanmarg- a reputed Hindi newspaper. They awarded a cash prize to each student along with a trophy, medal and certificate at Science City auditorium. The event was attended by Hindi students and their teacher Ms Soni Jha.



Ms. Soni Jha was also felicitated as 'Best Hindi Teacher' in the city after being nominated and voted by students and parents alike. The event was featured in the Sanmarg newspaper on 23rd July.



Visits

SENIOR PRINCIPAL VISITS SWISS COLLEGES

Mrs. Tina Servaia, Senior School Principal was invited by the Swiss Education Group in March 2023 to visit their colleges from the 2nd-6th May, in Montreux, Switzerland and interact with school leaders and counselors from all over the world.



A group of forty school leaders and counsellors visited three colleges- Hotel Institute Montreux, Swiss Hotel Management School, and Cesar Ritz-where they attended sessions, met the deans and faculty and engaged with the students. All the colleges have varied specialisations, with Hotel Institute Montreux focused on Hospitality and Luxury Brand Management, SHMS focused on Hotel Management and Cesar Ritz focused on Culinary Arts. The colleges are also housed in former castles, resulting in magnificent and picturesque campuses.

"What really stood out for me was the passion for individual attention and student needs. The most impressive part was the commitment to ensure highly paid internships so that students can start earning well from their second year in college," remarked Mrs. Servaia, Senior Principal



Radio Mirchi Interaction

Indira Biswas of IBDP Year II and Lepakshi Basu of Grade A2 recently met celebrity RJ Lajbanti, who delved into the captivating world of radio as a means of mass media and communication. She gave them an insight into the daily life of a radio jockey, as well as the merits and demerits of pursuing it as a career.

As they engaged in a discussion, the students gained an understanding of the significance of radio in fostering a sense of community and providing the community with a voice. Moreover, the students learnt about the remarkable ability of the radio to catapult artists into stardom, enabling them to reach a wider audience. Overall, this was a wonderful experience for the students.



ON AIR

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT MARCH RESULTS!

IGCSE HINDI- CELEBRATING THE BEST RESULTS EVER

CIS is thrilled to announce the outstanding performance of the students in the IGCSE Hindi examinations! The hard work, dedication and determination of the students have resulted in remarkable achievements, making this year's results truly exceptional

>>> A* Grade (7 students)

Arya Bhutoria
Deeksha Vijaypaul
Manya Saraf
Prangan Bhojak
Saswata Chowdhury
Smera Kanaujia
Tishya Pansari



Arya Bhutoria



Deeksha Vijaypaul



Radhika Agarwal



Manya Saraf



Prangan Bhojak



Khushee Agarwal



Saswata
Chowdhury



Smera Kanaujia



Suyash Agarwal

>>> A Grade (5 students)

Rahil Nafis
Rajyavarrdhan Inan Todi
Riva Agarwal
Sachetan Harbhajannka
Suyash Agarwal



Rahil Nafis



Rajyavarrdhan
Inan Todi



Praanjay
Gupta

>>> B Grade (5 students)

Khushee Agarwal
Manan Sharma
Praanjay Gupta
Radhika Agarwal
Shriyash Dhanuka



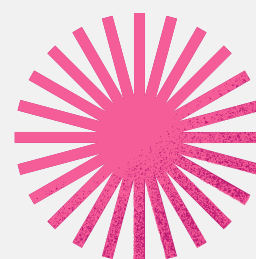
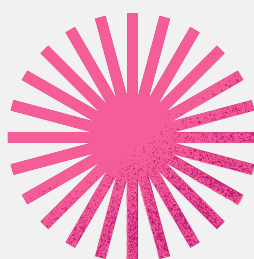
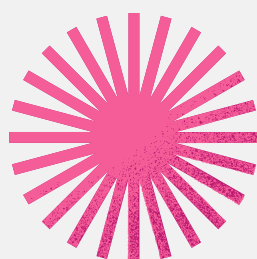
Riva Agarwal



Sachetan
Harbhajannka



Shriyash
Dhanuka



A2 RESULTS- CELEBRATING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

CIS is excited to announce the spectacular results of the students in the A2 batch. The unwavering support from both the teachers and students has resulted in outstanding outcomes across a wide variety of subjects

>>> Maths

Prithviraj Jhunjhunwala- A*
Shovit Bhattacharya-A
Chetan Kothari- B
Wenyou Yu- C
Samaksh Manpuria-C

>>> Psychology

Piya Sawhney- B

>>> Economics

Chetan Kothari- B
Prithviraj Jhunjhunwala- A*
Samaksh Manpuria-B

>>> History

Shovit Bhattacharya- A
Piya Sawhney- C

>>> Chemistry

Anastasia- B
Prithviraj Jhunjhunwala- B
Wenyou Yu-B

>>> English Language

Anastasia- A
Shovit Bhattacharya- A*
(noteworthy improvement
from a B in AS)
Piya Sawhney- B
Prithviraj Jhunjhunwala- B

>>> Physics

Anastasia- B
Prithviraj Jhunjhunwala- A
Shovit Bhattacharya- A
Wenyou Yu- C

>>> Business

Chetan Kothari- A*
Samaksh Manpuria- A*

>>> Biology

Anastasia- A*
Wenyou Yu- B
Piya Sawhney- C



Anastasia



Samaksh Manpuria



Shovit Bhattacharya



Piya Sawhney



Chetan Kothari



Prithviraj
Jhunjhunwala



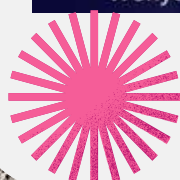
Wenyou Yu

With immense pride and joy, CIS celebrates the incredible achievements of the students in the IGCSE Hindi and A2 examinations!

CIS extends its heartfelt gratitude to the teachers whose passion for education and tireless efforts have been instrumental in guiding the students towards success. The teachers' unwavering support and dedication have made a profound impact on the lives of CIS's young learners.

To our extraordinary students, you have demonstrated that with determination and perseverance, nothing is beyond one's reach. The achievements of the students not only make CIS proud but also inspire it to continuously foster a learning environment that nurtures and empowers future generations.

Congratulations to all the teachers and students for their exceptional achievements, and let's look forward to even greater milestones in the future!



CIS CELEBRATES IB RESULTS!

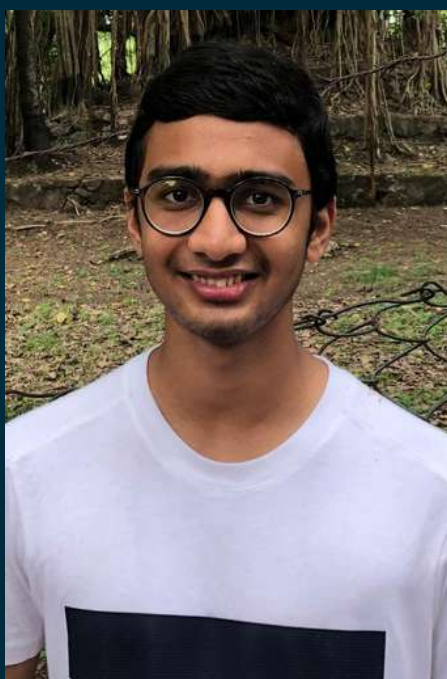
CIS celebrates the commendable results achieved by the IB Batch of 2023. This year there were 1,79,917 candidates worldwide who appeared for the IB Diploma Programme Examination. The average global score was 30.24 and the average score in India was 31.95. CIS has maintained its tradition of securing higher than the average world score. This year the average score at CIS was 35.2 with 100% of the students receiving the Diploma.

Our topper Yuvraj Jhanwar scored 43 points, the highest amongst the IB schools in Eastern India. Rishi Jain scored 39 points with a full 3 points in the Core . Ayanika Bhattacharjee scored 39 points.

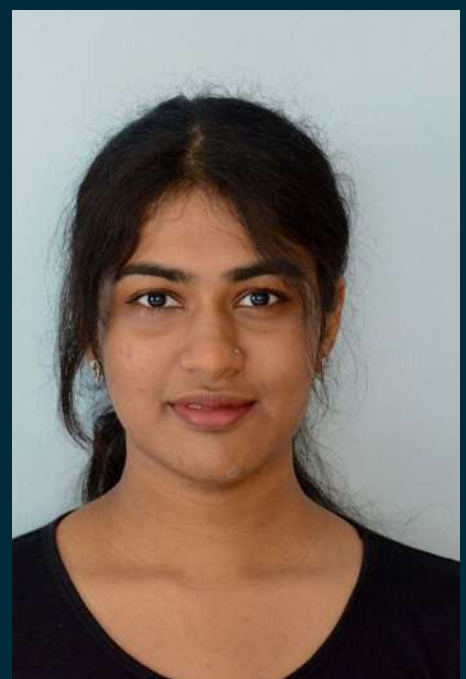
These results are a testimony to the hard work and dedication of our students and teachers and CIS is proud of them.



Yuvraj Jhanwar



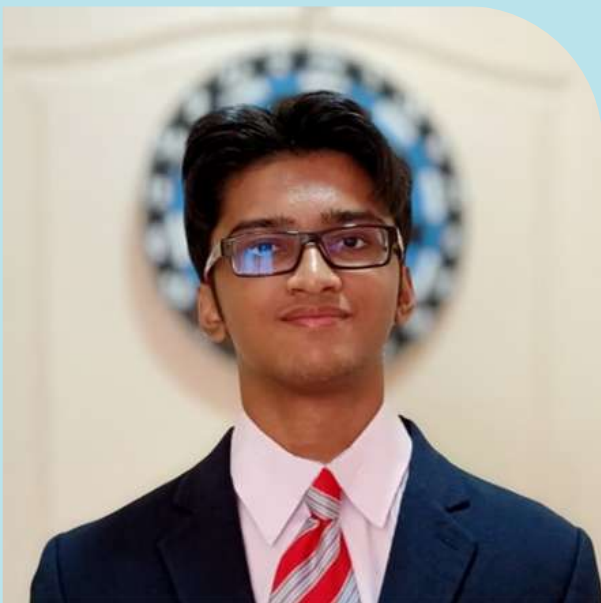
Rishi Jain



**Ayanika
Bhattacharjee**

K12 Design Challenge

Umeed Uriyan from Calcutta International School was selected as the winner at the 3rd edition of the Global K12 Design Challenge 2023, for the 'Most Practical Use of a Drone' in the secondary category. Along with Umeed, Ayaan Sonthalia, and Shreyan Banerjee were also selected for the 'Most Popular Design' category on the basis of public voting.



The K12 Challenge brought together talented students from more than twelve countries across the Middle East and India to showcase their skills, creativity, and innovative thinking in designing an aircraft for the future. The competition aimed at accelerating the practical use of the latest technology in aircraft and encouraged young learners to conceptualise a futuristic design concept that can be used to help solve today's problems for tomorrow.

Our students demonstrated exceptional talent, dedication, and hard work throughout the challenge, resulting in their outstanding victory!

SHOOT FOR THE STARS

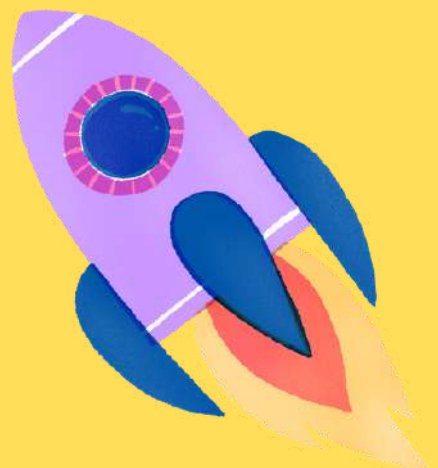
Tamanna Sen of IBDP Year I, a new student at CIS was recently given the opportunity of starting her own News Series called 'Space Bound' in a children's newspaper called 'RobinAge' in which her first article was published.

This is the first time that her writing and passion for Space has been recognised and she is very excited to write more amazing content to inspire the next generation. Her writing is inspired by anything related to the planets, stars and outer space and from realising how vast the universe can be.



One of her favourite pictures from space is that of Earth taken by the NASA Spacecraft Cassini from Saturn, known as 'The Day the Earth Smiled' because people from all around the world were asked to look up towards the sky and smile at the same time so that the picture could be taken.

For Tamanna, the sky is not the limit, as she believes life is instead a rocket that keeps rising into the limitless beyond.



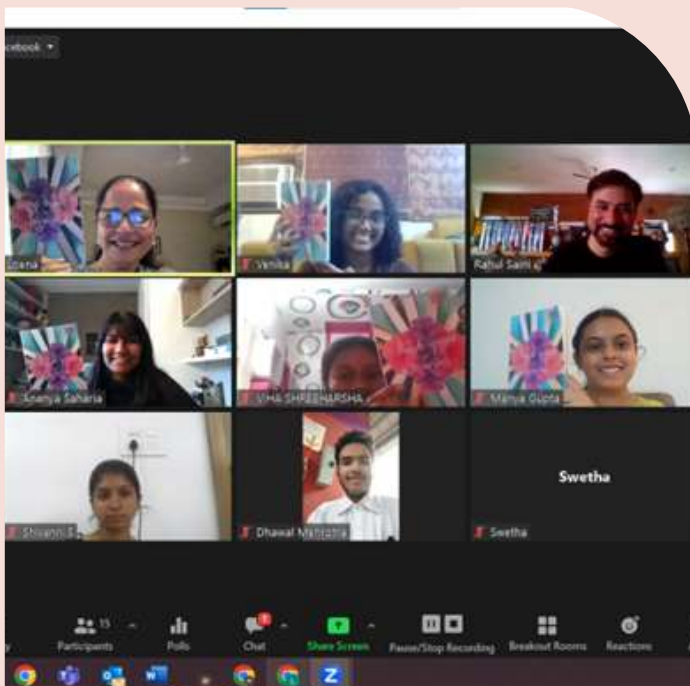
Think it? Write it!



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In November 2022, two students of Grade AS, Archisha Dasgupta and Umeed Uriyan, took part in a ten day writing program held by Scholastic India. The program included twenty hours of mentoring, after which their short stories were published in a collection entitled, 'A Book-quet of Stories.' The book includes the works of nineteen students from across India, and is available for purchase on Amazon.



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Skand Bali, Principal, Hyderabad Public School, Hyderabad

Neeraj Jain, Managing Director, Scholastic India

'Black Belt' Awarded to Shivani Bhunia



On 9th July, 2023, Shivani Bhunia of Grade 9A received her black belt in Karate from Seiko Kai Karate International, Kolkata. Shivani has demonstrated the knowledge and proficiency in principles, techniques, physical and mental endurance of Karate Do in accordance with the syllabus of Seiko Kai Karate International, India. Congratulations, Shivani!

Well done, Sammagnah!

Sammagnah Bardhan of Grade 6B has won the second runner up prize at Crescendo XII 2023, at Calcutta School of Music in the Primary category- Drumkit held on 23rd July. Sammagnah began playing drums six months ago during break time at school. He had no prior experience of the instrument when he was enrolled in the competition and it was his music teachers, Mr Tathagata Mukeherjee and Mr Soham Roychoudhary who had trained and encouraged him to participate in the event.

Sammagnah has also been selected for a scholarship award under the Cultural Talent Search Scholarship Scheme 2022, for training in the field of drama from CCRT (under the aegis of ministry of culture, Government of India). He had applied for the scholarship scheme under the guidance of Mr Kaushik Bose. After being shortlisted for the initial round, this year in March, he appeared for the final online interview where he performed an act of his choice, for the judges who were eminent theater personalities.



Prernaa Kanoi Wins West Bengal State Closed Squash Championship 2023

Prernaa Kanoi of Grade 6 has won the West Bengal State Closed Squash Championship 2023 on the 14th of July, 2023. Prernaa took part in the under-11 category of the Championship held between the 10th and 14th of July, 2023 in Calcutta Racket Club. Prernaa trains with Squashxtreme in Delhi and has several national tournaments lined up in the next couple of months. Prernaa is also the only girl in her age bracket to compete with all the boys in the intra-club level tournaments. She works very hard on her fitness, diet, and squash drills.



Shivam Himatsingka of Grade 6A has received the first place award in the finals of the classical section of the prestigious Crescendo XII, held on 22nd July. The top five finalists for each category of each instrument performed on stage and were judged by eminent musicians from Shillong and Nagaland, including Ms Khyochano TCK. Shivam performed the piece 'Changing Times', in the primary category and emerged as the winner. Congratulations, Shivam!

CIS ALUMNI VISIT

CIS has a long established tradition to stay in touch with their students and this year has been very special to us with many of our graduates who came visiting their former teachers and other staff members. Our graduates have widely-spread throughout the globe in search of growth, learning, knowledge and their performances make a difference everywhere.

Ratul Das an alumni of the year 2016 – 17 is now starting his M Tech in India.

Sanaya Kothari and Saket of the batch of 2019 – 20 have completed their bachelors and have joined their jobs and eventually plan to start their masters.



Our graduates of the batch of 2021 – 22-Kavvya Agarwal, Vikhyat Agarwal, Evanna Lee, Valerie Chen, Dhruv Chatterjee, Khushagra Jain and Komal Kataruka had a lot of fun stories to share about their Universities in Canada, USA, UK, Netherlands and India when they visited the school recently

Their advice for all students is no matter what, you are always learning and growing, which better prepares you for tomorrow.



GENERATIONS @ CIS !

PARENTS SPEAK ABOUT WHY THEY CHOOSE CIS TIME AND AGAIN



I joined Calcutta International School in the year 1993–for A–Levels. Coming from an all girls convent school where discipline was at its peak and one's thoughts were not freely expressed, I remember walking into CIS, being greeted not by students but welcomed by one of the teachers Mrs. Chaturvedi who went on to become English Literature teacher for next two years. and played a very important part in honing my skills in Language as well as Literature

CIS in those days was a small boutique school in Elgin Road. it was a small one storey home with rooms that were converted into classrooms with a huge field at the back. One small garage in the front that was converted into an open den where all kids and teachers would come and share their lunch and the A–level students would often have their Art or English classes. In the 2 years that I was in CIS, it transformed me from a young shy 16 year old to a confident and independent young lady ready to face the challenges that come my way. I had no skills in art but after taking up the subject I realised I was good at it. I made the best of friends in this school and I can proudly say that I am still connected to most of them. Calcutta International School has instilled in me the confidence and belief that makes me what I am today – and I would have it no other way that my kids also get an opportunity to experience what CIS is all about. It's a larger school today with a sprawling number of students. Now as I walk into the school many times over to pick up my kids, a few dadas I still recognize, a few teachers are still around. But the warm fuzzy feeling which every person in CIS carries is still very dominant. The best part is that this school becomes a second home.

Signing off

Vidya Kampani

(Parent of Alisha and Ayesha Kamponi of Grade 10)

alumni
speaks



My name is Rumki Basu & I attended CIS in the early 90's.
CIS was at Lee Road then as a beautiful old colonial house.

My first memories was of red carpeted staircase. cozy smaller rooms, teachers who were all very accessible.

The environment was so positive, & supportive that we actually loved to come to school. The ethos of the school was for each one to be just who we were! It felt simply marvellous to be part of this small, strict but very positive school.

Our Principal had an open door policy, so we felt safe that we could always go to her when necessary and she was always there for us.

After CIS, I went to the US to get my for my undergrads in Software Engineering and then subsequently did my MBA, and worked in the Semiconductors industry for 15 years. When I moved back to India, it was not even a question but just the thing to do to send my kids to CIS.

My son joined first & then my twin daughters. They loved the school due to its accepting of each child to blossom. I have 3 kids in CIS. Each one very different but the teachers & ethos of the school allow them to blossom into very distinctive young people. I'll be forever grateful to CIS for the safe space that it offers.

Good luck & best wishes forever.

Parent of Gita and Mihiri Basu Mahagama of Grade AS)

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ECA Orientation

On July 26th 2023, our school held an online orientation for all students interested in joining extracurricular activities (ECA). The orientation was followed by an open house on July 27th 2023, where all ECA coaches were available to answer questions and provide more information about their activities.

The response to both events was great. During the orientation, Parents were given an overview of all the ECAs available at our school, as well as the benefits of participating in extracurricular activities. They were also provided with information on how to sign up for ECAs and what to expect during the ECA season.

The open house was a great opportunity for students and parents to meet with ECA coaches and ask any questions they had about specific activities. Coaches were able to provide more detailed information about their activities, including schedules, requirements, and expectations. All parent queries were answered, and many students were able to sign up for ECAs during the event. Overall, the ECA orientation and open house were a great success. We are excited to see so many students interested in participating in extracurricular activities and look forward to a fun and rewarding ECA season!



GRADE 6 CHEMISTRY

LAB ACTIVITY

Science is everywhere!

Science is all around us and it should never be limited to just theoretical learning. It is up to us, however, to look around us and spot science in action. The young scientists of Grade 6 were given that space to search for things around them that relate to science on the school campus. Ingeniously, a few of them came up with their Lego game to explain the process of Condensation in a new and innovative manner.



Scientists at Work!

What is science without experience, experiments, analysis, and inquiry? Well, the favourite place for any scientist is surely a laboratory to explore the possibility of one's ideas. Our little Champs of Grade 6 tried their hands at using lab apparatuses and learned the basic methods which will take them far in the journey of lab work and science. The activities were guided and supervised by their Chemistry teacher, Ms. Payal Agarwal Jain

