

# IB PYP Edition Grade - 4

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Dear Parents,

This is a beautiful story I was told by my mother years ago. I feel I must recount it to you all!

"A water bearer in China had two large pots, each hung on the ends of a pole which he carried across his neck. One of the pots had a crack in it, while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water. At the end of the long walk from the stream to the house, the cracked pot arrived at the master's house only half full. For a full two years, this went on daily, with the bearer delivering only one and a half pots full of water to his master.

Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments, perfect for which it was made. But the poor cracked pot was sad as it was able to accomplish only half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be a bitter failure, it spoke to the water bearer one day, by the stream. "I am sad and want to apologize to you. I have been able to deliver only half of my capacity because of this crack which causes water to leak down all the way back to your master's house. Because of my flaw, though you do all of this work, you don't get full value from your efforts," the pot said.

The bearer said to the pot, "Did you notice that there are flowers only on your side of the path, but not on the other pot's side? That's because I have always known about your flaw. So, I sowed flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walk back, you've watered them. For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate my master's table. Without you being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty to grace the house!"

It is important to appreciate all different people in our lives and recognize them for what they actually contribute to making our lives better.

Acknowledgement is defined as both expressing the existence of something and expressing or displaying appreciation for something. Life can change in the blink of an eye. For better or for worse, our world could change without any signs or warnings. With that being said, the importance of appreciating what we have is crucial. Our energy should be used to emphasize appreciation for the opportunities, people and the work in our lives.

On this note, I extend my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all the geckos, parents, teachers and the entire Gaudium Team for their faith, trust and appreciation for the hard work, efforts and commitment in making the school a great centre for learning, collaboration and excellence!



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## Transdisciplinary Theme: Who we are!

<b>Central Idea</b> beliefs	: Choices of role models reflect the and values of people
Lines of Inquiry	<ol> <li>Reasons for choosing role models</li> <li>Factors that determine our beliefs and values</li> <li>Influence of role models on people's choices and actions</li> </ol>
Key Concepts Connection Related Concepts	: Causation, Perspective, : Identity, Peer-Pressure, Opinion
<b>Learner Profile</b> Inquirers	: Openminded, Communicators,



### The Monthly Review

**Unit of Inquiry**: The geckos inquired into their second unit of inquiry about role models. Before they started unpacking the unit, the geckos co-constructed an inquiry cycle to be used in the unit. During the provocation, the geckos went on a gallery walk, where they saw photographs of famous people. They thought about who they would want to be like? They discussed the reasons for choosing a role model. The characteristics, qualities and character traits that make one a role model for others, were also discussed. The geckos were further introduced to various learning engagements such as snowball activity while unpacking the meaning of role models and think-pair-share while discussing qualities of their role models, etc. They sorted the images of role models based on professions and hobbies.

**Transdisciplinary Language:** While reading about the lives of their role models, the geckos made connections with 'characteristics' and 'character traits'. They used adjectives to describe the qualities of their role models. They further learned to describe the traits to come up with ways to do a character sketch. The geckos were introduced to biographies and autobiographies using excerpts of both the genres.

**Transdisciplinary Math:** The geckos unpacked and defined graphs and made a choice to inquire into line graphs and bar graphs in the current unit of inquiry. They learnt to analyse and interpret information from the bar and line graphs. The geckos collected and organized information and represent the same in the form of a graph. More that this, they completed mental Math challenge everyday.

**French** – The geckos learned body parts and avoir verb. They further inquired into and learned indefinite articles and the affirmative form of sentences.



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**Hindi** – The geckos inquired into the poem 'Kala Kaua' by Mr. Harivansh Rai Bachchan and made connections with rhyming words. They read a story 'Chinti Se Seekho' and made connections with nouns and its types. They answered questions and framed sentences as well. They learned new vocabulary and found their meanings.

**Telugu** – The geckos learnt about the poet Baddena and the poems written by him in 'Sumati Satakam'. They inquired about types of stories – one of such is 'Eluka Vindu'. They researched about similar kinds of stories and shared the knowledge with their peers. The geckos made connections with the parts of speech, singular and plurals nouns and genders.

**Music**: The geckos learned the song 'Heal the world' and 'School is school' with focus on diction and accent. They inquired into the dynamics and rhythm modulations with 4/4 tempo.

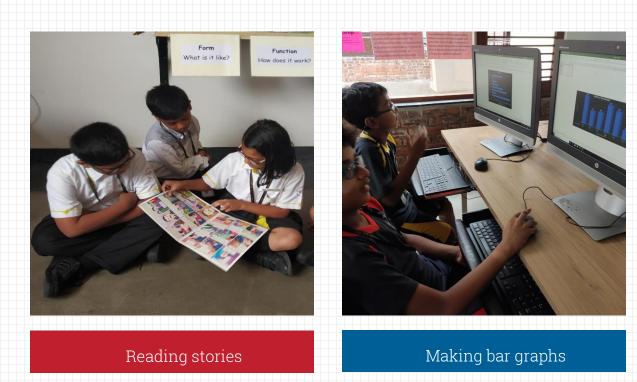
**Dance:** The geckos were introduced to 'Bharatanatyam' dance form. They learnt to appreciate and discipline their body and mind for further complicated movements. They learned about the history of Bharatanatyam – where it was originated, the culture this dance form represents and the first steps of this dance form. The dance classes started with warm-up exercises. The geckos also learned basic steps of hip hop dance.

**Art:** During discussions, the geckos tried to understand the role of art in their creative art process. They worked on cave art. The geckos made eco-friendly Lord Ganesh idol using clay. They displayed empathy as they actively participated in the same to collect funds for the old- age home.

**PE:** The geckos were introduced to basketball. They first started the sessions reviewing on essential agreements. In basketball, they learned the ball holding positions and the right-hand dribbling and dribbling while walking.



## **Teaching and Learning**





#### Art class



### Events



#### Morning assembly



#### Morning Assembly



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## The Month Ahead

**Unit of Inquiry**: The geckos will inquire into the third line of inquiry – influence of role models on people's choices and actions. They will unpack the meaning of the following – choices, action, cause and effect. The geckos will investigate the connection between choices we make, its consequences and the action taken as a result of the same. They will look at the relationship between cause and effect as well as facts and opinions. During the summative assessment, the geckos will reflect upon their understanding of the central idea – talking about role models and their impact on their beliefs and values.

**Transdisciplinary Language**: The geckos will inquire into writing process (prewriting, drafting, revising, editing & publishing). They will continue reading biographies and comprehension passages related to their chosen role models.

**Transdisciplinary Math**: In the coming month, the geckos will continue data handling and also inquire into the timetable, timeline and elapsed time. They will revisit the concept – number operations and place value. The geckos will continue doing Mental Math.

Hindi: The geckos will choose the poem, 'Main Sabse Choti Hoon' and learn, recite and practice pronouns. They will inquire into types of poems and go through the information about poets in Hindi literature. The geckos will also share their perspectives about the poems and answer questions related to the same. They will write a paragraph to share their understanding of the poem. The geckos will also go through a different type of poem, other than the one they have done earlier. They will compare the poems and poets.



## The Month Ahead

**Telugu** : The geckos will learn about 'Kavithalu', the essay and autobiography. They will read poems written by modern poets and share the same in the class.

**French** : The geckos will be learning contracted articles, avenir verb, colors and clothes. They will learn to describe their clothes by using colors and the names of clothes. They will make sentences using contracted articles.

**Dance:** The geckos will practise: *shlokas*, postures and '*Asamyuta hastas*'. They will understand that the dance plays an innovative role in communicating ideas within cultures and societies. They will continue inquiring into and learning steps of the hip hop dance.

**Music**: The geckos will learn the Western Staff musical notation. They will continue with their vocal classes, where they will understand harmony and sing 'Keep your head up" and 'We are the world".

**Art:** The geckos will inquire about cardboard organizers. They will do research to understand the what, why and how of cardboard organizers. The geckos will work on measurements followed by cutting, fixing and decorating.

**PE:** The geckos will learn basic rules of football - dribbling (instep and outstep), passing (push pass, short, and long pass) drills with the ladder, cones, hurdles and markers. They will begin their PE sessions with warm-ups and understand the importance of the same.



## The Gaudium Launches Sportopia!

#### కిడలో సూపర్ పవర్గా భారత్!

హైదరాబాద్ (ఆంధ్రజ్యోతి క్రీడాప్రతినిధి): భార త్లో స్పోర్ట్లను కెరీర్గా ఎంచుకునే వారి సంఖ్య ఇప్పటికీ పరిమితంగానే ఉందని భారత బ్యాడ్మింటన్ చీఫ్ కోచ్ గోపీచంద్ అన్నాడు. చదువుతో పాటు ప్రాథమిక దశ నుంచే పిల్లలకు స్పోర్స్లో తర్పీదు ఇస్తే క్రీడారంగంలో భారత్ సూపర్ పవర్గా ఎదుగుతుందన్నాడు. తన ఆలో చనలకు తగ్గట్ట ఇలాంటి ప్రణాళికలతోనే దాదాపు రూ.180 కోట్ల వ్వయంతో బ్యాడ్మింటన్, టీటీ, ఫుట్బాల్, అధ్రెటిక్స్, బాక్సింగ్, హాకీతోపాటు 25 క్రీడలకు సంబం థించిన సకల సదుపాయాలు ఒకే ఆకాడమీలో ఏర్పాటు చేసేలా హైద రాబాద్కు చెందిన గాడియం ఇంటర్పేషనల్ స్కూల్ ముందుకొచ్చిందని తెలిపాడు. 18 ఎకరాల్లో 600



మంది విద్యార్థులకు హాస్టల్ వసతితో కూడిన అకాడమీని నిర్మిస్తున్నామని.. 2020 కల్లా దీనిని పూర్తి చేస్తామని గాడియం స్కూల్ డైరెక్టర్ కీర్తి రెడ్డి చెప్పారు.

#### స్ఫోర్ట్స్ స్కూల్ ను ప్రారంభించిన గోపీచింద్



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వెచ్చిస్తామని ద గాడియమ్ స్కూల్, గాడియమ్ స్పోర్టోపియో వ్యవస్థాపకురాలు, డైరెక్టర్ కీర్తి రెడ్డి తెలిపారు. 'చిన్నతనం నుంచే పిల్లలను చాంపియస్లుగా మార్చడానికి ఇటువంటి స్పోర్ట్స్ స్కూల్లలు నిర్మించాలని భావించాను. భవిష్యత్లో నా ఆలోచనలకు అనుగుణంగా ఉండటంతో గాడియమ్ స్కూల్తో చేతులు కలిపాను' అని

సాక్షి, హైదరాబాద్: హైదరాబాద్ ప్రీమియమ్ ఇంటర్నేషనల్ స్కూల్ 'ద గాడియమ్'

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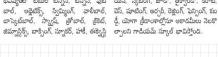
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#### City gets its first badminton Gurukul

Hyderabad: That things have changed from the 80s would be stating the obvio-us. That was the time when kids mana-ged their sporting activity in the city —



Gaudium Sportopia along with Kirthi Reddy and Prasad Manginudi on Tuesday

mainly restricted to Fateh Maidan — on their own. Not anymore. With travel time increasing — not always proportionally

the case in the last few decades, has to the case in the last few decades, has to change," the Dronacharya award win-ner said and hoped this Gurukul would complement the nearly 25 such centres across the country. The Gurukul here is planning to start The Gurukul here is planning to start

state-of-the-art resi-dential sports acade-mies in 25 different disciplines on its 27-acre

sciplines on its 27-acre sprawling campus. "Though several schools have made cla-lims to develop sports on their campuses, it has not seen the light of the day. I'm glad thisproject is on. I will be there to deal with be there to deal with badminton and we've also managed to rope

"Two years ago when I visited Singa-pore. I saw how the students of classes 5

#### Sports and academics can go hand in hand now

#### India's first residential sports school opened at Gaudium Sportopia

V.V. SUBRAHMANYAM gymnastics, football and basketball, would have full-fledged separate centres to India's chief badminton national coach P. Gopi Chand take care of the needs and ason Tuesday launched Bad-minton Gurukul Centre of pirations of students who wish to pursue both sports Excellence at Gaudium Spor-topia at Ramachandrapuram said. Mr. Gopi dy, director and founder of The Guadium School, he topia at Ramachandrapuram

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near here, which is said to be the India's first residential, fully-integrated world-class Quality coaching "We will appoint a foreign

sports school. coach along with a team of The centre would start dedicated support staff to enfunctioning with the formal sure quality coaching and all inauguration of the eight-court badminton indoor sta-have access to the Gopi loving children through this

ing over 1,000 students in different sports and reputed former internationals would be appointed to ensure qual ity coaching, thanks to the interest shown by Kirthi Redsaid.

Sports promotion "We are determined to script a new chapter in the promo-tion of sports without affect-

squash, cricket, athletics, school has a target of groom- topia, and also the co-foun- former," she said.

der of Sportzlive, which or ganises high-profile Premier Badminton League. "This has been my dream for a long time noe and I now hope that the sports-loving students and parents will make optimum use of the sports facilities to be built on

one lakh square feet area. We are keen to stand out in this field," said Ms. Kirthi Reddy. "The fee structure will va ry depending on the choice of the discipline by students,



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## School Events



Independence Day Celebrations

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#### Health Check-up



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## Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event
04 Sep	Wednesday	Teachers Day celebrations
06 Sep	Friday	International Literacy Day
09 Sep	Monday	Onam Celebrations
13 Sep	Friday	International DOT Day
21 Sep	Saturday	SLC – Student Led Conference
25 Sep	Wednesday	IBPYP Network Music & Dance
27 Sep	Friday	Dandiya night with Parents



## Website Links

**Events**:

Health Check-up :

https://www.thegaudium.com/health-checkups/

Independence Day: https://www.thegaudium.com/independence-day-2019/

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