



THE GAUDIUM
PRISM

**IB PYP Edition
Playgroup**

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Dear Parents,

Greetings from The Gaudium School!

Recently I came across a story that not just touched my heart but also made me reflect about one of the IB approaches to learning (ATL) sub skills, resilience!

Nuri is a Sherpa, who spent his life helping climbers from all over the world hike the mountains of Nepal. When the earthquake hit Nepal in April 2015, Nuri was helping Don Bowie and his team climb the Annapurna Circuit.

News spread fast of hundreds of villages flattened or decimated by the earthquake, villages nestled deep in the mountains that were cut off from any supplies. Bowie's team decided to remain in Nepal and help where they could. Though Nuri's own home had been destroyed, and he longed to be with his family, he chose to stay and join Bowie's team in their efforts to help the World Food Programme provide humanitarian relief.

The Larke Pass is a passageway that used to provide access to these isolated villages before it was cut off by a landslide. Nuri and the crew worked for three weeks to get the Larke Pass open for supplies, then prepared mules for the long journey to bring WFP food to remote villages. The team trekked through cold temperatures and low oxygen – and 5,100 m altitude! – to reach village after village. They were completely self-sufficient, carrying their own food, equipment, and medical supplies on mules. With every stop on their journey, they assessed the needs of the community and relayed them via satellite phone back to WFP's operations team. Nuri is one of thousands of people doing their part to help Nepal following its devastating tragedy..

(Acknowledgement-<https://www.buzzfeed.com/worldhumanitarianday/world-humanitarian-day>)

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Resilience is our ability to face, deal with and recover from difficult situations. It is a life skill. The more resilient a person is, the less they experience stress as they are equipped to deal with pressures. Building resilience in children helps them to overcome obstacles. Resilience is not just about “bouncing back” but is about “bouncing forward.” It means learning from the process in order to become better at tackling the next challenge. At the Gaudium School, we firmly believe that our children should be empathetic as well as resilient to face the uncertain tomorrow! We must be patient with your young learners and help them understand that it is ok to look for assistance. They need to be mindful and healthy as well as reflect on their learning from the challenge faced rather than evaluate it as well as themselves on parameters which are set by us!

Imitation is such a powerful way to learn! We must model resiliency ourselves. This also means that each one of us must believe and exhibit growth mindset as well as allow time for problem solving! Our students must appreciate efforts as much as the product. They should look for identifying and solving problems around them using design thinking tool and collaboration.

Together we can ensure that when things don't go the way we want them to go, we need to ask our children “how” and not ‘why’! This will make a difference and bring a change.



Monthly Review October and November

Colours: The geckos continued to explore blue and green colors through learning engagements like sorting blue objects from other colors, brush painting on a car stencil to obtain a blue car, leaf pasting activity on a tree outlined worksheet, marble painting on a leaf outline, etc.

Fruits and Vegetables : The geckos were introduced to fruits and vegetables through flash cards and artificial fruits and vegetables. They got to know more about fruits through learning engagements like making a watermelon by finger printing on a paper plate, earbud dabbing on a pineapple outline worksheet, pasting paper bits on a banana outline worksheet, crepe paper ball pasting on an orange outline worksheet, bubble wrapper printing to make grapes etc. They were also introduced to rhymes like one potato, two potato, three potato', etc.

Literacy: The geckos learnt new words and became acquainted with the words forward and backward, up and down. They made gestures and actions by singing the rhymes 'Walking in the jungle', 'See-saw up and down', 'Wheels on the bus' etc. The geckos learnt new words like in and out, in front of and behind through actions and gestures and through rhymes like 'In and out the dusky bluebells', 'Out in the garden each fine day', etc. They had fun putting balls in and out of the basket.

Numeracy: The geckos were introduced to 'Circle' shape through rhymes related to circle shape and showing objects which are circle in shape. The kids were overjoyed to print circle shape using plastic moulds. They pasted small circles on a big circle. They had fun jumping in and out of then circle that was drawn on the floor. The geckos learnt more about the circle shape through learning engagements like magic painting to obtain a circle shape, pasting circle shape cut-outs to make a flower, tracing circle shape in rice, trying to draw a circle shape on the green board using chalk etc.

PE: Play is important to healthy brain development. It is through play that children at a very early age engage and interact in the world around them. The geckos played games like 'throwing bean bag inside the hula hoop', balancing spot markers on the head, etc.

Art: The geckos engaged in artwork like stamping using leaf, tissue rolls, and flower stamps.

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ACHIEVEMENTS



The Gaudium's Pride!



Aarnavi Rekha
Grade 3, IB PYP

Aarnavi Rekha won Gold Medals in 1000 mts, 500 mts rink & 1 lap road Skating races at the RSFI State Competition and now she will compete at the National level.

AARNAVI REKHA



The Gaudium's Pride!



Minal Shaikh Kalyan
Grade 5, IB PYP

Minal Shaikh Kalyan secured the 3rd Place in the Under 14, Girls Category, Medak District, in the Telangana State Tennis Championship organized by the School Games Federation of India

MINAL SHAIKH KALYAN



Launch of Cricket Academy



Grand welcome by the Gaudium cricket team to one of the best players of today

SPORTOPIA UPDATES



NBA coach and Technical Director Mr Leo Bruno



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Month Ahead

Topic: Fruits and Vegetables: We are going to move onto the topic “Vegetables” wherein the children are going to learn about different vegetables through learning engagements like lady finger printing, potato printing, onion printing, etc.

Literacy: The geckos are going to learn new words like hard and soft, push and pull through actions like touching hard and soft objects, pushing and pulling of chair and basket, etc.

Numeracy: We are going to introduce the “ Square” shape through rhymes related to square shape and objects which are square in shape. They are also going to participate in learning engagements like printing square shape using square shaped plastic moulds, magic painting to obtain square shape, etc.

Art: The geckos will continue to learn about colours by identifying and segregating the coloured beads and by beading to enhance their fine motor skills.

Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event
24 Dec	Tuesday	Christmas Celebrations
25 Dec	Wednesday	Christmas Holiday
26 Dec	Thursday	Christmas Holiday

Event links:

<https://www.thegaudium.com/gaudium-events/>

Our website:

<https://www.thegaudium.com/>

Learning blogs:

<https://www.thegaudium.com/the-learning-blogs/>

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Sportopia registration link

<http://sportopia.thegaudium.com/pages/enquiries>