



THE GAUDIUM
PRISM

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Dear Parents,

Today, I came across a beautiful story during my evening reading time and thought that I must share it with you all!

A blind boy sat on the steps of a building with a hat by his feet. He held up a sign which said: "I am blind, please help."

There were only a few coins in the hat. A man was walking by. He took a few coins from his pocket and dropped them into the hat. He then took the sign, turned it around, and wrote some words. He put the sign back so that everyone who walked by would see the new words. Soon the hat began to fill up. A lot more people were giving money to the blind boy. That afternoon the man who had changed the sign came to see how things were. The boy recognized his footsteps and asked, "Were you the one who changed my sign this morning? What did you write?"

The man said, "I only wrote the truth. I said what you said but in a different way. I wrote: "Today is a beautiful day but I cannot see it."

Both signs told people that the boy was blind. But the first sign simply said the boy was blind. The second sign told people that they were so lucky that they were not blind. Should we be surprised that the second sign was more effective?

We must be thankful for what we have...Be creative. Be innovative. Think differently and positively. We must prepare for the future without fear.

(Acknowledgment- <https://www.thetappingsolution.com/blog/short-lesson-gratitude/>)



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Innovation means using new technology and using new ways of thinking to add value to an existing idea or product and to make substantial changes in society.

Creativity provides a deeper understanding of the world around us. When teachers use creative and experiments in teaching, they make way for deep thinkers and inquirers. These in turn grow to be young learners who are, knowledgeable thinkers and express themselves freely.

The more creative our students are, the happier they will be. Creativity fosters multiple solutions and perspectives. It helps students to think, try, invent, review and reflect, in turn prepare for the future.

Being creative is mandatory for tomorrow. Subjects must be taught and looked at beyond books. Our students need to know the real-life implications and apply their learning to life. We must ensure that we don't ignore creativity in our classrooms. Creativity is a pre-requisite for innovation and also gives purpose and meaning to one's vision. It encourages us to take risks, listen to perspectives, think, apply, connect and create. The world is changing rapidly and learning a specific skill set and following it exactly won't get our students very far. What prepares them is, creativity.

Our role is crucial in providing a safe environment where students can express their creativity, explore, and understand in a way unique to them. Creativity is a crucial for development, and useful for expressing, and understanding thoughts and feelings!

We look forward to opportunities and experiences for our students to build on their creativity and be risk takers while innovating to find solutions for the issues around them!

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Transdisciplinary Theme

Transdisciplinary Theme – How we express ourselves

Central Idea: Play facilitates expression, feelings, ideas and new understanding

Lines of Inquiry :

- Communication through play
- Imaginative use of material
- The role of toys over time

Key Concepts :

Function

Change

Connection

Related Concepts :

Imagination, creativity, communication

Learner Profile :

Risk-taker, Communicator, Principled

Unit of Inquiry:

The geckos inquired into their 4th Unit of Inquiry under the theme 'How we express ourselves'. When children have choice in how they spend their time they build rich theories and are motivated to explore these through play. The geckos were taken out to the play area and were asked to explore the place. Later they were asked to describe what they have done there and how they felt. Geckos experienced both indoor and outdoor games and understood the difference between the same. As part of the 'Show and Tell' learning engagement, the geckos brought their favourite toy and expressed their feeling towards the toy, why it is their favourite toy and with whom and when they want to play with that toy. The children understood that play not only means indoor and outdoor games, but the beauty of play is that there is no one way to play, it can be in the form of dance, music, art, drama, etc.

Transdisciplinary Language:

Letters "Jj, and Qq" were introduced to the Geckos through rhymes, stories, sand, air and water tracing of the letters. They also learnt the phonic sounds of these letters which helped them in blending these sounds to form words. The geckos practiced the formation of these letters through various learning engagements like filling the jar with jelly for letter "Jj" and sticking paper pieces to form letter 'Q'. As a reinforcement, Geckos also blended sounds of all the letters done till now to form two, three- and four-letter words.

Transdisciplinary Math:

The geckos were introduced to numbers 41 to 50 through place value. They also used tally method and bundling of these numbers along with quantification using various objects. They practiced the numbers in the workbook and the worksheets provided to them. After, before and missing numbers were also done through various learning engagements. The concept of bar graph was introduced to the children through their ongoing inquiry where they were asked with whom they like to play with.

Dance: Reinforcement of basic movements, body postures with the help of props (pom-pom and streamers) was done.

Music: The geckos learnt pigeon song and developer dynamics by singing loudly and softly.

Art: The geckos made design patterns using 2 D and in continuation of their learning of shapes, they were introduced to paper folding/sculpting technique and made 3D shapes.

PE: The geckos engaged in activities involving throwing, catching and jumping in which they had to throw scarf and soft ball in the air using both the hands and jump and catch the same using one hand.

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Events



Annual Sports Day Juniors



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Annual Sports Day

School Events- Republic Day



Republic Day Celebrations



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Annual Sports Day – Pre-Primary



Annual Sports Day – Grade 3 to 11



SAIBSA- IBDP Job Alike Session



Inauguration of the session



Mr. Kaisar Dopaishi, the SAIBSA president, was the keynote speaker of the event

The Gaudium Sportopia Interschool Table Tennis Championship



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Sportopia updates....



Champion Mentors at the Launch: (From L to R) Mr. S Raman, Mr. R B Ramesh, Ms. Kirthi Reddy, Mr. K Nithyananda Reddy, Mr. P Gopichand, Mr. R Ashwin, Mr. M Prasad, Mr. Leo Bruno, Mr. Sean Jamison



Ravichandran Ashwin
Arjuna Awardee / Legendary Indian Player
Mentor, Centre of Excellence for Cricket, Gaudium Sportopia

In this era of gadgets, an infrastructure like Sportopia is indeed a boon. Sports initiate responsibility in children. Building an infrastructure like this would mean the world to children to learn sport. The infrastructure will make sure that children are excited and go out there and play and more importantly it will help teach them life lessons.



Pullela Gopichand
Padma Bhushan Awardee / India National Team Coach
Mentor, Centre of Excellence for Badminton, Gaudium Sportopia

Sportopia is a wonderful initiative. What we are seeing here is a new revolution in Indian Sport - sport at the highest level and education of the highest order coming together and that's something that is really wonderful. The vision, the confidence, the way the entire thing has been executed has been phenomenal. When I looked at the quality of the Infrastructure here it would be fair to say that this quality of Badminton Courts I haven't seen anywhere in the country and that's something which is amazing.



R B Ramesh
Grandmaster / Indian National Coach
Mentor, Centre of Excellence for Chess, Gaudium Sportopia

I congratulate the Gaudium management for their vision and commitment in implementing it. Sportopia has a good ecosystem and the best trainers from various sports disciplines. Whatever is required to make raw talent flourish, is available at Sportopia - be it trainers, facilities or even the mind set.



Leo Bruno
Mentor, Centre of Excellence for Basketball, Gaudium Sportopia

NBA came to India a few years ago. One of the aims was to make kids love basketball. We have 31 centres in India and Sportopia is definitely my favourite. Sports will influence students to develop healthier habits.



Subramaniam Raman
Arjuna Awardee / 2 Time CWG Medal Winner
Mentor, Centre of Excellence for Table Tennis, Gaudium Sportopia

Sportopia is a wonderful initiative. It's the best thing that can happen to the Indian sporting scenario. We have trained in many centres but what is here is the best integrated sports, residential and sports science facility - everything under one roof. It brings the vision to the fore to bring sports and education together.



Sean Jamison
Manager WSMC, South Africa
Mentor, High Performance Centre, Gaudium Sportopia

Craig's vision and Sportopia align in terms of providing aspiring sportsmen health facilities. The aim is to create athletes who are physically fit and emotionally sound. Any physical education programme aims at developing healthy individuals. Sportopia is a healthy environment to do it.



World-class Academies

Outdoor Sports Arena Of 3 Lakhs Square Feet

Indoor Sports Arena of 1 Lakh Square Feet

1 Lakh Square Feet Residential Block

25 Sports Disciplines

ICC Standard Cricket Ground

FIFA Standard Football Field

US Open Standard Tennis Courts

8 BWF Standard Badminton Courts

FIBA Standard Basketball Courts

WSF Standard Squash Courts

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The Gaudium's Pride



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Aahna Reddy P
PP 2, IBPYP

Aahna Reddy P is now in the Amazing Kid Book Of World Records for participation in classical singing on the occasion of Bharat Balaothsavam, organised by Bharath Arts Academy & ABC foundation.



Unit of Inquiry: The geckos will explore about why and how do they play. Further they will have guest talk to understand how they can express themselves through art or drama.

Transdisciplinary Language: Introduction of letter “Vv, Xx, Yy, and Zz” and their sounds will be done through story and rhymes. They will also engage in craft work related to these letters.

Transdisciplinary Math: The geckos will continue practicing after, before and between numbers. They will also do the backward counting of numbers 50 to 41. The concept of skip counting by 5 and 3D shapes will also be introduced to the geckos.

Dance: The geckos will engage in learning dance steps on various actions songs in which they will follow the lyrics carefully and dance accordingly.

Music: The geckos will be learning the song ‘bingo’ and will develop rhythm sense by clapping along the beats of the song.

Art: The geckos be continuing their learning of 2D and 3D shapes by making various artwork for better understanding. Making shapes using paper sculpting would improve their concentration, creativity, fine motor skills along with differentiating the 2-dimensional flat objects and 3-dimensional objects with depth.

PE: The geckos will learn high and low-level throwing and catching with the help of bean bags, fluff balls scarfs etc using single and both hands.

Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event
1st February	Saturday	IBPYP Job Alike session (SAIBSA)
5 th February	Wednesday	World Read Aloud Day
7 th February	Friday	EY NNK Class Photograph
10 th February	Monday	EY Kollur Class Photograph
29 th February	Saturday	Student Led Conference

Event Links

Event links:

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

Our website:

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

Learning blogs:

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

Facebook : For daily updates please like the page.

<https://www.facebook.com/thegaudiumschool/>

Sportopia registration link

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

