







June & July 2022



## Global Leadership Message from The Principal

#### **Dear Parents**,

Welcome to the maiden edition of the Middle & High School Newsletter for the academic year 2022 - 23!

As I sit back to reflect on the joys of learning at The Gaudium, I realise that our classrooms are spaces where dreams are carved and nurtured; quite evidently SO, we as experience the privilege of appreciating the school environment in its richest glory after the whole pandemic fiasco. It has been an eventful month and we have experienced an extraordinary range of activities that enriched the education of our students, beyond the time-tabled curriculum. The Grades 10 and 12 batches of 2021-22 are once again proud crusaders of brilliance at the Board Examinations and their concerted efforts have borne sweet fruits of success: needless to mention that the pride of the moment will be cherished forever. We are also exceedingly gratified for our students have bagged covered seats at the best-rated Universities around the world. Next, we have had the formation of the Student Council 2022 that witnessed the candidates putting up the toughest fight in a battle of equals. Ultimately, the most deserving were declared the winner and they will soon be invested with the honour.



In their victory is written the tales of responsibility to uphold the sanctity of our institution. Above all, the students have been engaged in variety of exceptional learning experiences with visible cognitive benefits.

To quote Dalai Lama "While educating the minds of our youth, we must not forget to educate their heart," and I take great pride in claiming that our students have ventured into becoming mindful, reflective individuals who value their relationships above everything else owing to our resolute efforts of instilling The Gaudium core values.

I believe that the open, honest relationships that we enjoy between home and school are essential models for our children.





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I also believe that they serve to reinforce and amplify our efforts, and through alignment they become resonant. This resonance pulls us along and keeps us in harmony. Thus, in our classrooms we see The Gaudium's vision manifested in reality with illustrative examples of students empowered by learning, empowered by values, empowered to act, while remaining firmly grounded by our belief in the five-developmental pillars.

The commencement of the school boarding also marks the start of another glorious educational journey. It has been a remarkable sight to watch our young learners at the boarding taking up ownership of their own learning and overall well-being. It is also noteworthy that we have had an overwhelmingly high rate of admissions this year across all grades. We certainly owe this success to your splendid commendation and laudation. We are and will forever remain grateful to you for trusting us with your child's education and formative edification.

Stay Safe, Dream Big and Celebrate the Small!

Warm regards,

Shalini Singh Hamilton Principal IB MYP/IB DP/CI/CBSE





## Global Leadership IPN Session by Principal Ma'am

BNI - Business Networking International is largest and most successful business networking organisation. It offers members the opportunity to network, share contacts, and, most importantly, business referrals. It provides a structured and supportive system of giving and receiving business referrals. Our Principal, Ms.Shalini Singh Hamilton, was invited as a special guest on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022. She shared her thoughts about how The Gaudium school has been instrumental in changing the lives of the students who are scaling new heights. She explained the 'Happy Minds Model' of the school which creates uniqueness and testimonies our belief system that Holistic excellence can be achieved through an ecosystem of core values, supported by mindfulness and wellbeing involving all stakeholders, so that our global leaders are ready to take quantum leap into the uncertain future. Her visit to the BNI also ensured that as a school we procure the best from our vendors for the students.

### Deepa Chhabra lyer MYP Coordinator









## Global Leadership Student Council 2022-23







## Global Leadership Student Council - Nominee Interviews







## Global Leadership Student Goal Setting

Setting goals is a vital practice that can benefit anyone with a dream or a vision for their future. Young people who want to be focused towards their achievements in life are particular about building their goal setting skills. These skills serve them throughout their lives, but building them now will help them mold their future into one that they desire. With these thoughts in mind students of MYP had their goal setting sessions during their pastoral care where the had set goals for short term and long term.

### Francis Albert James MYP Science Facilitator







## Global Leadership HMUN Training Session

The Gaudium school organized the HMUN training session for all the registered participants. The HMUN team explained the Committees, the agenda, how to prepare the committees, and the position paper.

### Priyanka B.M MYP English and Literature Facilitator









### Global Leadership Principal's Session on Artificial Intelligence

### **Principal's Session on Artificial Intelligence**

Understanding what artificial intelligence is, is not enough until you know how it comes into play. If we can replicate the structure and the function of the human brain, we might be able to get cognitive capabilities in machines; this is the field of neural networks. If these networks are more complex and more in-depth and we use those to learn complicated things, that is the field of deep learning. There are different types of deep learning and machines that are fundamentally different techniques to replicate what the human brain does. Our Principal, Ms Shalini Singh Hamilton, in a session, enumerated how the knowledge of Artificial Intelligence is integrated in our curriculum to make the students future ready









### Holistic Excellence Arts as Universal Forms of Human Expression

Both during times of joy and uncertainty, students turn to the arts and develop an understanding of not only the function of the arts in society, but also of the issues and ideals of a specific culture through the study of artistic practices, artists, and artworks in their cultural, historical, and social contexts.

Students can study their surroundings and what it means to be human using the visual arts, which also allow them to share their experiences, insights, and understandings with others as universal forms of human expression. As a result, it offers chances for cross-cultural interaction and exchange and shapes both individual and group identities. Participation in the arts allows students to comprehend the cultural and historical background of the arts.

The visual arts foster an understanding of the aesthetic in a practical setting, while also testing and enhancing individual identities. Students can improve their empathy and compassion through the development of their imaginations. They can also enhance their cultural lives and find new ways to actively contribute to both their local communities and the wider globe.

### Debendra Kumar Sahoo MYP Visual Arts Facilitator







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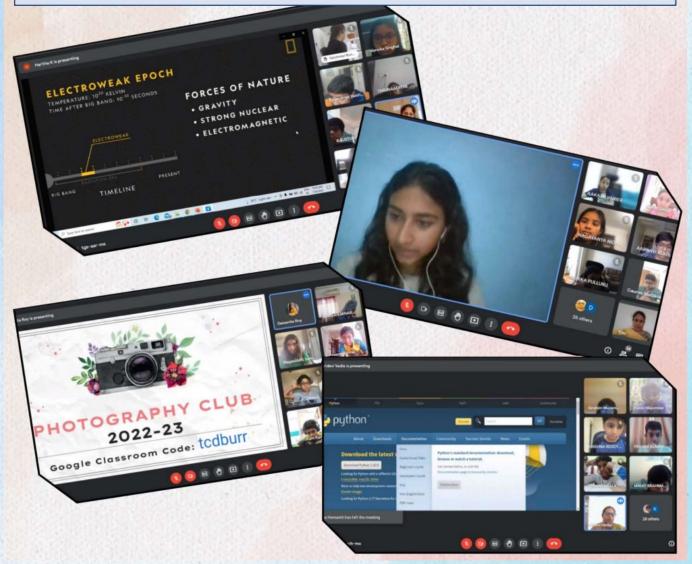


### Holistic Excellence Saturday Clubs

### **Cognizant Clubology!**

Clubs are a great way to achieve that goal! It helps hone skills, foster creative thinking, and teaches one to work effectively in a team.

The Gaudium School is proud to offer 5 exciting clubs this year for the students. They took off with a bang on 30th of July. It will surely encourage students to work on fun-filled experiential activities along with their teacher mentors who are the minds behind each club. Designed creatively and intrinsically, it will ensure that every child is provided with opportunities to unleash their innate talent and hobbies. Here's a glimpse of the first club session of the academic year.







### Core Values Back To School Assembly

A back-to-school assembly is a brilliant way to welcome children back, after the summer holidays. On the 15th of June, we conducted a back-to-school assembly in the skating rink, where our respected principal welcomed all the students to the new academic year. Coordinators and existing school prefects conveyed their best wishes for a happy, prosperous, and successful new academic year to the entire students.

School Assembly helps the students to build a sense of unity, confidence, and togetherness.

### Rajesh Koonan MYP Mathematics Facilitator









## Core Values Counselling Session Grade 9-12

Ms. Leonie Marshal conducted a counseling session on 24th June for the students of 9th-12th grade on the topic "Substance Use and Abuse". This was an awareness session for our students where they were made aware of the misuse of any kind of substance and how one can avoid the use of it. Students were taken through a few points to brainstorm and reflect on ways to identify and curb it.

Josna Vaz MYP Design Facilitator









## Core Values Counselling Session Grade 6-8

Career Counselling helps students understand the career options that they have, and how to pursue them. It is the process of giving advice, support and guidance and the right career after the 12th. Career Counselling also helps them understand their own strengths and weaknesses with regard to their present course or profession and lets them know what career they would be suited for.

At Gaudium, the Career Awareness sessions start from grade 6. The school career counsellor organized a session for grades 6 -8 and explained Careers and ways in which students must do career planning and gave information about various fields of the career.

Mahitha Sammeta Career Counselor









## Core Values MYP2 Inclusion Session

The students were given an activity to bond with their new mates and learn about each other - "favorite color, food, novel, hobby" for 5 minutes.

Students reflected on healthy and unhealthy practices of social etiquette. Sensitized on anti-bullying and maintaining inclusive and healthy relationships with each other.

The students closed the activity with "happy wishes" posted in sticky notes for their new friends to welcome them and make them feel comfortable to approach for help and build a healthy inclusive relationship with each other.

### Sukanya Das Career Counselor









# Core Values <u>Student Reflection on Buddy System</u>

The buddy system was something new this year, where we were each assigned as buddies to help out with the new students. I really enjoyed helping my buddy, Anvika. One incident was where I helped her with showing the campus around so that she doesn't get lost. She was an attentive listener, which made my responsibilities simple.

Deekshitha Devasena IB MYP 4A, Student





## Mindfulness and Wellbeing MYP Student Induction Program

As the new academic session begins for MYP students, they reflect on their past experiences through goal setting and reflection sheets. And they have been actively engaged in bonding with their classmates through ice-breaking activities and mindfulness sessions. Next day, students were involved in multiple activities including decoding the school mission and vision and understanding the components of Happy Minds Models by creating posters, decoding IB Mission and Vision, reflecting on ATL skills and IB learner profiles through group tasks and presenting it in class as it has developed social and communication skills. Day three was dedicated to set-up class essential agreements followed by a mindfulness session and a student's introduction with their respective subject facilitators. These activities were planned to keep in mind that students reflect and develop new skills to be future ready.

### Gayatri Meena MYP Integrated Humanities Facilitator







## Mindfulness and Wellbeing International Yoga Day

International yoga day celebrated worldwide on June 21st marks the importance of the well-being of body, mind, and soul. "Well being "being one of the key pillars of Gaudium school students have taken much pride in participating in mindfulness activities which were conducted on yoga day.

### Sunitha V. MYP Mathematics Facilitator







## Stakeholder Engagement Service As Action

The activity was conducted where the students brainstormed and identified the issue, researched the issue keeping in mind the causes and consequences, collected evidence in the form of photographs and secondary research through online sources or books, and finally created a presentation, 2 minutes movie or posters. Students created awareness of the same by individually going to different classes and presenting the issue facing the world and how each individual can make a difference in society. They came up with solutions at the local, national and global levels.

### Fathima Kaneez MYP Integrated Humanities Facilitator









## Stakeholder Engagement School Tour for New Teachers













## Stakeholder Engagement All Staff Orientation

















## Stakeholder Engagement Teacher Induction Session

The induction programme provided an opportunity to learn comprehensively about the School's philosophy, mission and vision and the Standard operating procedures in place to realize the same.

The programme also delved a great deal about the different codes of conduct that need to be adhered to by stakeholders. Teachers were briefed by curriculum and segment heads on pedagogical practices. The orientation proved to be a great time to collaborate with colleagues across departments and segments to gain new perspectives and insights. All in all, the sessions undoubtedly provided support to the teachers new and existing alike to

create a joyful learning environment.

Sandeep M. MYP Mathematics Facilitator









## Stakeholder Engagement MYP Parent Orientation

Effective communication builds understanding and trust. When the school team and parents understand and trust each other, we will be able to work together to support children's well-being and development. To meet this kind of requirement we at Gaudium, make sure to orient parents about curriculum philosophy, and subject choices and update them on many more such requirements through orientations.

### Sunitha V. MYP Mathematics Facilitator



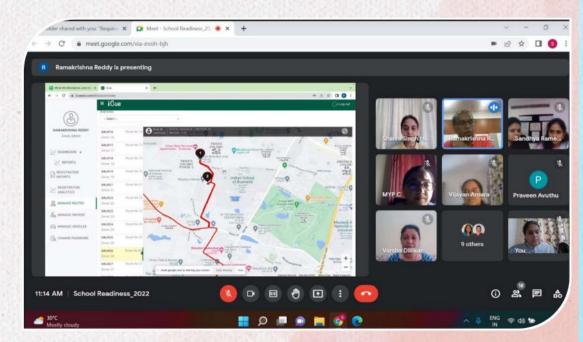




### Stakeholder Engagement School Readiness

### **Collaboration for smooth functioning of school routines**









# Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event	Grade
2nd August	Tuesday	Career session	MYP 4
4th August	Thursday	Investiture Ceremony	MYP1to4
5th to 7th August	Friday - Sunday	TGSMUN	MYP 3 & 4
9th August	Tuesday	Muharram Holiday	MYP1to4
13th August	Saturday	Three Way Conference	MYP1to4
15th August	Monday	Independence Day Celebrations	MYP1to4
29th August	Monday	National Sports Day	MYP1to4
31st August	Wednesday	Ganesh Chaturthi Holiday	MYP1to4





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