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### Message from Coordinator

### **JOY OF GIVING IN JOY OF LEARNING**

In today's times, where everything has become so competitive, it is crucial that we inculcate in learners, the life-long habit of giving. Giving without expecting anything in return and giving because the very act of it will fill our hearts with lots of happiness and joy. Joy is contagious after all and the happiness that we get when we give something to someone cannot be matched. This very thought resonated the Gaudium's Gratitude drive in the form of JOY OF GIVING, which filled the air in the Campus with donations for the underprivileged students.

Celebrating events and festivals in our school has become an integral part of learning and building a strong cultural belief, developing respect and understanding each other's customs and traditions. The Sankranti assembly , PYP Athletics meet, Walkathon by Grade 10 -Global Perspectives students -filled the campus with zest and energy.

With the IGCSE Board examinations and the Term II Examinations for Grades 6-9 around the corner, I would like to affirm that examinations are the most wonderful things in any human's life. They are litmus test of our abilities, strength, and self-management. It's once again the same story in every school and household; teachers struggling against



time to complete the syllabus, parents nagging children at home to study, and children grappling with the overwhelming stress of impending exams. But it needn't necessarily be that way. Exams are a part of life. Keeping a long-term perspective in mind, preparing well, and having the right social and emotional support can ease this process and make exams a learning process. Just be strong and study hard. Remember, there are no short cuts for success! All the best!

### SUNITHA INDUKURI



### "In learning you will teach, and in teaching you will learn."















### "Nothing is pleasanter than exploring a library."















#### **Pre-board 2 Examinations**

The Pre-Board 2 examination once again provided the students of the Board Batch to identify their areas of strengths and challenges in different subjects. It created an examination simulation that is definitely helping them manage their time and plan their study schedules better.



#### Hindi Listening Skills Practice Sessions

At the Gaudium we identify the knowledge of languages as the doorway to wisdom and thereby a structured language enrichment programme caters to acquiring and continuously improving in the LSRW skills not only in our medium of instruction, English but also in foreign languages, second language, home and family languages. To that end the students attended practice sessions to build on their listening skills.



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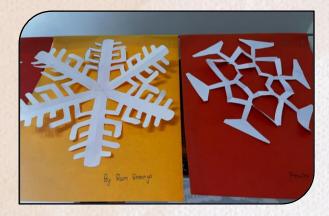
#### Art Assessments- Pre-Board 2

The Visual Art students of Grade 10 put their creative energies to best us and created brilliant original pieces of art for the recently concluded assessments. They painstakingly observed, analyzed and painted with utmost attention to the meticulous details and techniques.



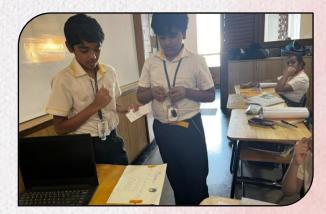


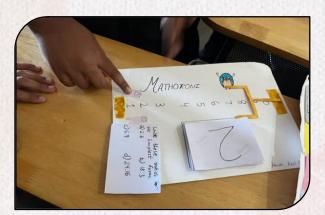
Math classes brimming with activities







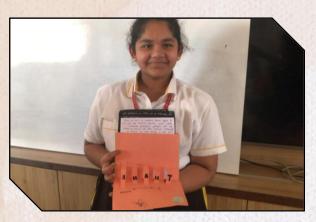








Global Perspectives – Presentations by students











#### The Joy of Giving

The Global Perspectives students of Cambridge International Grade 10 have taken great strides towards understanding the realms of globalisation and they are making humble efforts to realise the ideologies of Gratitude and Empathy. The students, therefore, had chosen to work on a team project based on Sports and Recreation, wherein they wished to plan and execute a donation drive for Sports Equipments for the students of a nearby government school. The students and teachers actively participated in this drive and donated their outgrown sports gear, and other sports items they no longer used to help someone else enjoy the benefits of sports. It was indeed a wonderful opportunity of sharing the gift of sport; giving fun, friends, and good health all at the same time











#### Special Assembly to Welcome the New Year 2023

Expressing oneself in art is the profound essence of life; it is the most favoured union when art meets the artist. Every school day at the Gaudium abounds in experiences that are skillfully carved till it attains its shape to perfection. Year on year we sculpt with a little more care, with a little more patience, and this new year once again opened the vistas of possibilities. The students came back after the New Year's Day with renewed zest and they were welcomed to school by the Student Council members with an equally invigorating Special Assembly



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#### **Sankranti Celebrations**

It's a warm winter sun, the cornfields have ripened and our spirits are as high as the brightly coloured kites soaring with dreams of prosperous day's ahead. How can we possibly be far behind, when the entire nation is dressed in the colourful hues of the auspicious celebrations of Makar Sankranti, the biggest harvest festival. On Jan 12 the students staged a stimulating special assembly to mark the arrival of the harvest season. Replete with songs, dances and discourses on the significance of the day, the students' demonstrated a thorough understanding of the festival's long-standing heritage and cultural significance. Amidst the zeal of the festivity, what stood out was the traditional bent of mind of the younger lot, despite their contemporary mindset. They aced the multilingual performances and exhibited their superior skills in not only English, but also Hindi and Telugu. They also paid a glowing tribute to the very concept of farming and harvesting which is the basis of our survival on planet earth. Nurturing a school culture that embraces all languages and ethnicities is the ultimate aim of education and this special assembly was a trailer to achieving our cherished ideals of creating global citizens.





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#### Martyr's day 2023

On January 30, 2023, India observed 'Martyrs' Day' or 'Shaheed Diwas' to pay tribute to all the freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for the country. The day is also marked as the death anniversary of the nation's 'Bapu', Mahatma Gandhi. The Gaudium fraternity rose to the occasion and bowed in reverence to commemorate the supreme sacrifices of our national leaders.









### Mindfulness and Wellbeing

#### **Mindfulness Sessions for Teachers and Students**

Mindfulness practices—including focused breathing, open awareness, loving-kindness, and others help teachers use strategies in the classroom, whether they want to invoke a sense of mindfulness in the classroom or to become a more mindful person, in general. These practices can help a teacher to slip into a mindful presence when it's most needed, allowing us to pay better attention to the learning environment and our students' needs within the classroom. Non-judgmental awareness is an important aspect of mindfulness, too—one that involves accepting things as they are in the present moment. When we first practice mindful awareness, we often notice how hard it is not to judge. But, as we observe ourselves engaging in judgment, we become more aware of it in the moment, our mind begins to settle, and eventually our tendency to judge subsides. These practices have proved beneficial for all stakeholders of The Gaudium School.



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### Mindfulness and Wellbeing

#### Walkathon- Walk for Asthma

As part of the Global Perspectives Project in Grade 10, the students organised a walk to create awareness of asthma amongst the Gaudium fraternity. Students and teachers of the CIE segment were enthusiastic participants of the noble cause. The walk articulated the message of moderate exercise and maximum fresh air to prevent lung-related diseases, particularly those prone to asthma.







### Stakeholder Engagement

#### **Teacher Collaboration Time**

It is proven that Teacher collaboration leads to improved student outcomes. It helps one brainstorm creative ideas. Brainstorming in a group allows participants to focus on a topic and contribute to the free flow of ideas. Moreover, it provides an avenue for overall professional growth. At the Gaudium collaboration amongst the team not only carves out common planning time with co-teachers, but also provides the team with the necessary emotional support.







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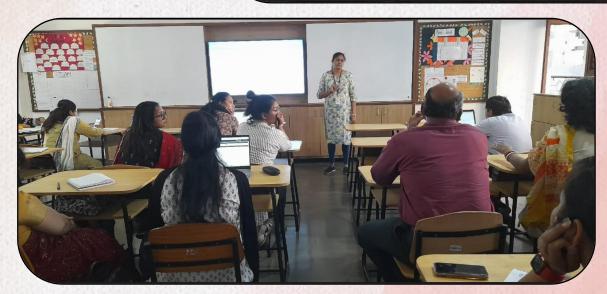
### Preparing teachers for IGCSE Examination invigilation

#### Your responsibilities as an invigilator

#### As an invigilator you must

- understand the regulations in sections 4 and 5 of the Cambridge Handbook
  understand the Key Time and Full Centre Supervision regulations
- be familiar with the Notice to Candidates and Candidate Warning poster
- + understand any specific regulations relating to the subjects being examined
- > give your full attention to the conduct of the exam and move around the
- tell the Head of Centre if you suspect malpractice
- follow any additional rules relating to social distancing due to the Covid-1 pandemic.

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### Stakeholder Engagement

#### **Three-Way Conference**

This month's Three-Way Conference was an opportunity to provide final feedback to the students of Grade 10 who will shortly be taking their IGCSE examinations. The student being the heart of the assessment and reporting process it strengthened the home-school partnership and allowed children to see their parents and teachers being proud partakers enroute their road to success and educational glory















#### **Mega University Fair**

Educational fairs provide prospective students with the opportunity to meet University representatives. These are where you can come across a range of Universities, all under one roof. These events are a platform to discuss your study options, clarify your doubts about admission requirements, get information on scholarships, the application process, accommodations, and much more. In short, a University fair helps you receive information directly from University representatives. and can give you a deeper insight into your study preferences. On January 6th, 2023, our career counsellor, Ms. Mahitha Sammeta, organized a Mega University Fair in which 43 universities from different countries, including the USA, UK, Australia, Singapore, Switzerland, Paris, Grenada, and India, participated. It was huge success, the students and parents, aloke applauded the efforts of the school in broadening the educational perspectives of the students.



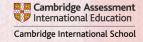


#### Career Counselling Session - Oregon State University

Career counselling is a process that helps individuals identify and explore career options to make informed decisions about their future, and develop strategies to achieve their goals. Career guidance helps students fulfil their aspirations by setting up realistic goals. Dr. Jayanthi Y Murthy, President of Oregon State University, presented a career session on January 25th, where she interacted with students, parents and provided enriching information about study opportunities in the United States, the requirements for the majors that students choose, and the popular courses that students can take up at Oregon State University.







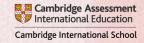


#### **Career Counselling Session - PSAT**

The PSAT, or preliminary SAT, is a shorter version of the SAT, a mock test for the SAT. It is conducted once a year. PSAT allows a student to become more comfortable and used to the setting and environment of the Actual SAT. The Gaudium School is the center for the PSAT. Our students of Classes VIII and IX took this exam on January 23rd , 2023. This was the first time we successfully conducted this exam in the school premises.











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# Coming up next

Date	Day	Event	Grade
4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Saturday	Awareness session	Grade 9
6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Monday	Health Check-up	Grades 6 to 9
6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Monday	IGCSE Board Examinations begin	Grade 10
17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Friday	Term 2 Examinations begin	Grade 9
20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Monday	Term 2 Examinations begin	Grade 6 to 8





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