



PRISM

Cambridge International Edition

Message from Principal

Dear Parents,

It was a pleasure to welcome the students of CBSE and Cambridge back to a new academic year on 15th March.

Students of the IBDP are just completing their Final assessments while MYP students start on Monday 3rd April.

March is the time of year, when as soon as board examinations end, board paper corrections start and we have a number of our secondary teachers busy with the corrections of the CBSE papers.

We are sure that students are happy to receive their new books and stationery and are in the process of covering and labelling them neatly. Books are such a treasure trove of discovery for students!

In the next few weeks of school, prior to the May vacations, here are a few expectations from school which I request you to support the school with-

- Regular and punctual attendance is expected from all students.
- Students are expected to come well groomed to school, in full and proper uniform. If the uniforms have become small, now is the time for you to procure the new set of uniforms and shoes. Let's show respect to the school by being well groomed at all times.



- Girls with long hair need to braid it neatly on a daily basis. Boys must have a comfortable summer crop, with hair free from the face and nape of the neck.
- Kindly see that our students do not accessorise by way of jewellery, make-up, perfume/deo or smart watches. These are not allowed in school.
- Students are not permitted to bring cell phones to school, and if found, the device will be confiscated.
- A few words of advice on the responsible use of social media/devices by our students, your children, are given below (expert sources). We need to partner together to make our students responsible users of digital space and the Internet. We seek your kind cooperation and support in this matter.

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- **Set reasonable limits.** Talk to your teen about how to avoid letting social media interfere with his or her activities, sleep, meals or homework. Encourage a bedtime routine that avoids electronic media use, and keep cellphones and tablets out of teens' bedrooms. Set an example by following these rules yourself.
- **Monitor your teen's accounts.** Let your teen know that you'll be regularly checking his or her social media accounts. You might aim to do so once a week or more. Make sure you follow through.
- **Explain what's not OK.** Discourage your teen from gossiping, spreading rumors, bullying or damaging someone's reputation – online or otherwise. Talk to your teen about what is appropriate and safe to share on social media.
- **Encourage face-to-face contact with friends.** This is particularly important for teens vulnerable to social anxiety disorder.
- **Talk about social media.** Talk about your own social media habits. Ask your teen how he or she is using social media and how it makes him or her feel. Remind your teen that social media is full of unrealistic images.
- *If you think your teen is experiencing signs or symptoms of anxiety or depression related to social media use, talk to your child's health care provider.*

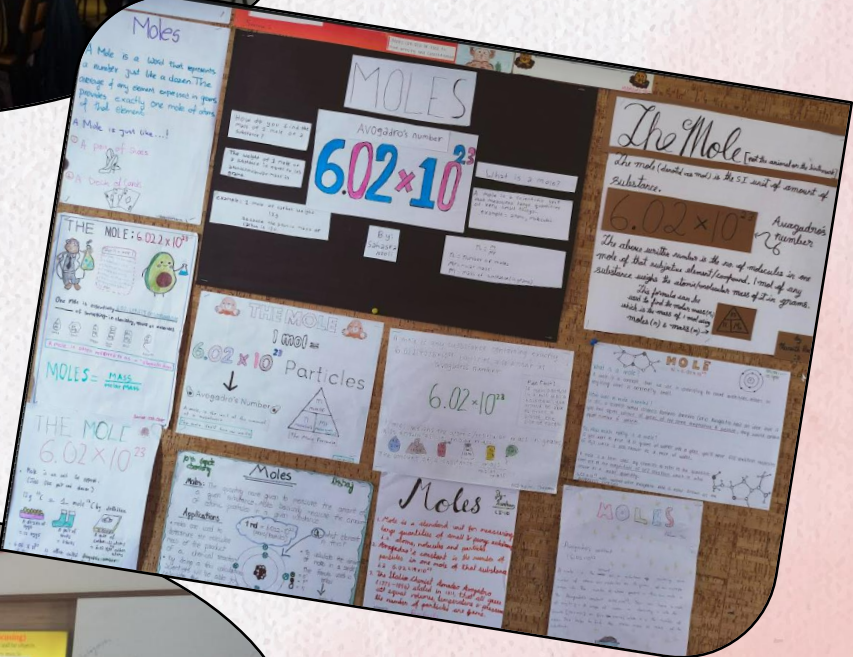
Happy Parenting.

Sudeshna Chatterjee
Head of School
Middle and High School

Holistic Excellence

Experiential Science Lessons

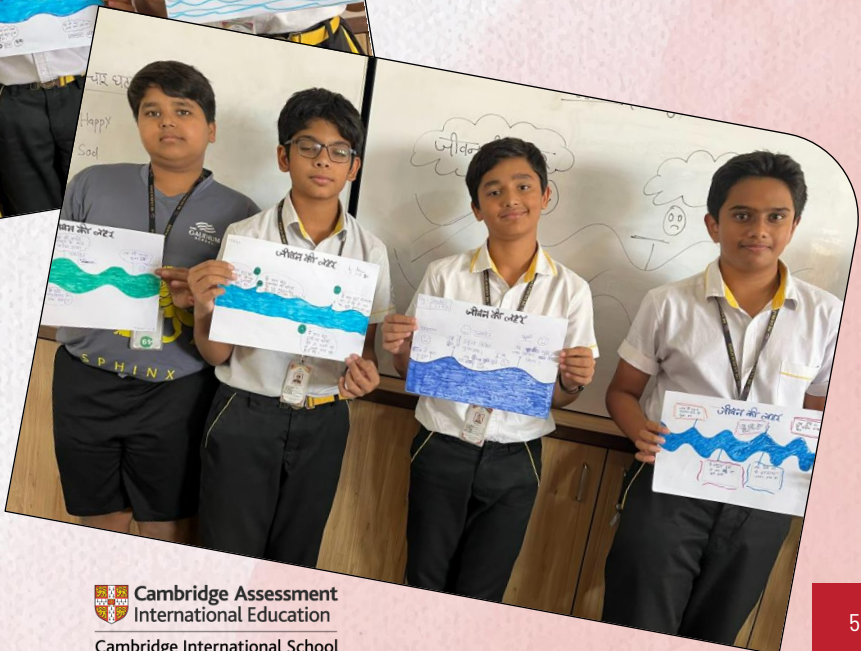
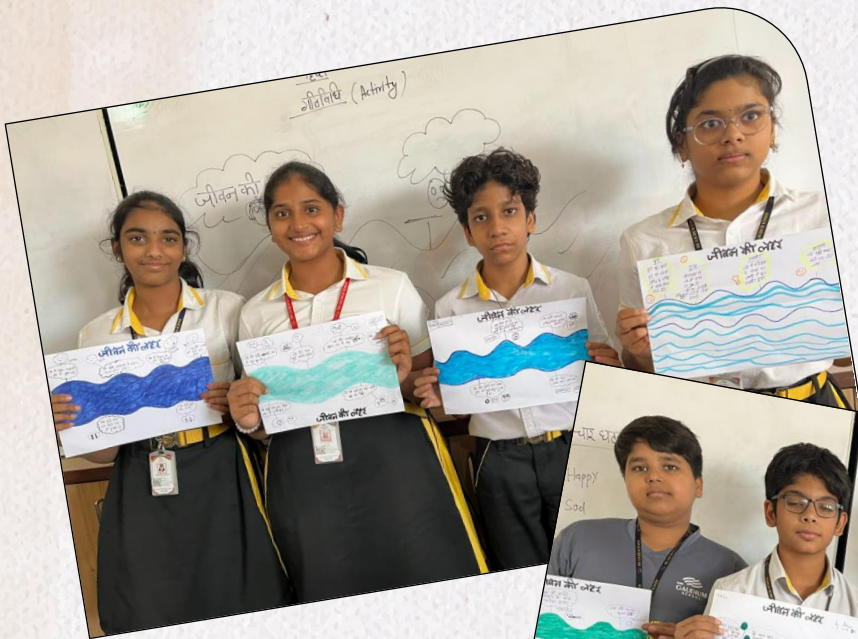
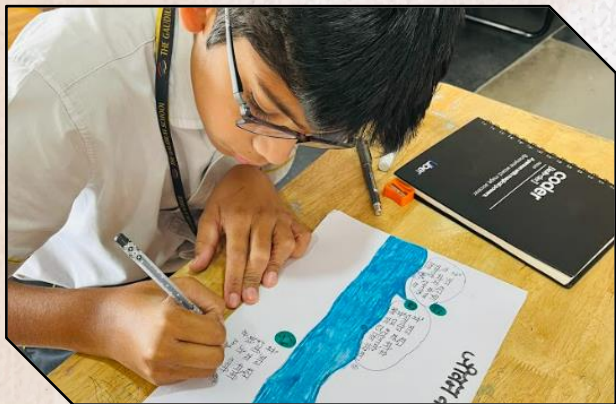
Our students exhibit the brilliance of an inquirer who explores, investigates and infers to complete the understanding of every Science lesson. It nurtures intellectual curiosity, helping children acquire new ways of asking questions and understanding the world.



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Hindi Class Activity

We invest our students with the power of words through different creative writing techniques and diverse topics. The students of Grade 7 involved themselves in Hindi poetry writing activity on World Water Day .



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Understanding the Functioning of RADAR SYSTEM

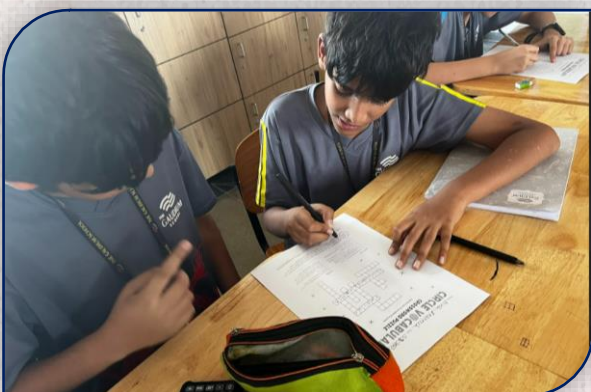
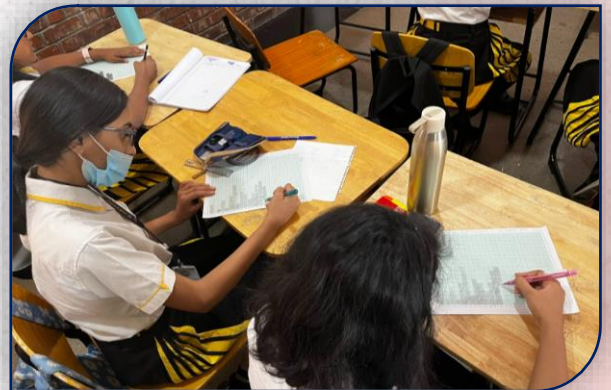
Learners of Grade 7 have identified and collected the LEGO building blocks, sensors, Motor and Brain to explore and design a model of Radar System which is being used widely in Air force, Navy and Military applications. Learners have formed groups, collaborated and constructed a system and programmed to detect an object which is coming towards them and alert by sound. The learners have explored and understood the importance of each building block in LEGO kit and used them for constructing various creative mechanisms like Truck to carry the goods from one place to another in indoor environments and smart camera stand and frames for photography



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Pi Day Celebrations

Special activities were organised on the occasion of Pi day on March 14. One of the oldest and the most recognized mathematical constants in the world, Pi (π) is the ratio of any circle's circumference to its diameter. Amidst broad smiles and loud cheers of our eager learners we learnt a lot of interesting facts about the Pi.



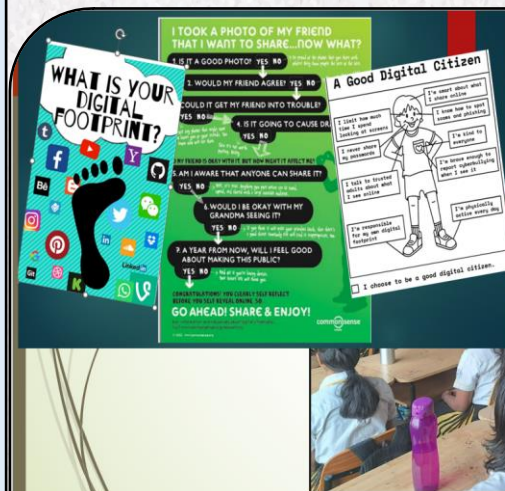
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Think Binary....As the students of Grade 9 take the plunge into learning new skills in their Computing classes, they were introduced to the binary system. They also engaged in some fun ways to understand binary conversations on Quizizz.



Knowing Your Digital Footprint
George Orwell's "1984" novel depicts a world in which some entity, called Big Brother, watches everyone's actions, everywhere, all the time. Today, that Big Brother Orwell imagined have turned into advertisers, employers, and online sellers -they are all watching closely everything we do online. All that is our digital footprint. Therefore, it has become increasingly important to educate the students to understand and analyze their digital footprints and take essential measures to use the online space constructively.



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Doctors: The Epitome of Devotion, Care and Healing

Talking Titans, Dr. Thomas Mathew-Cardiac Surgeon, Dr. Sulbha-Ophthalmologist and Dr. Vipin Goel-Surgical Oncologist, who also happen to be our parents, honoured us with their esteemed presence on March 31, 2023. They had kindly consented to be our guests and enrich the students' knowledge about health and lifestyle; it was an extension activity for their Global Perspectives Unit on 'Health and Diseases'. They shared their personal experiences of spending almost a lifetime in the field of healthcare and the greatest reward they had ever earned from the life they had chosen was the love, respect and gratitude they are showered with everyday. Despite the challenges of unending working hours, Dr. Goel mentioned that he always prioritised spending quality time with his family and striking an amazing balance between personal and professional spheres. They also emphasised that there was no substitute to having healthy eating habits, enjoying outdoor sports and an all-round active lifestyle to experience true rejuvenation. In an interactive session the doctors patiently responded to all our student queries.



Core Values

Welcome to the New Academic Year!

The new year began with sparkling imaginations, fertile minds, and a willingness to take risks with what they think. It was a memorable first day at school; welcoming back the fresh graduates, bright and beaming with life, was in itself a moment of revelry. Doubly enthused by the prospect of a fun-filled first day of several ice-breakers that encouraged candid conversations, was indeed an opportunity for the faculty members to build a sociable environment conducive to learning all the year round.



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International Women's Day 2022:

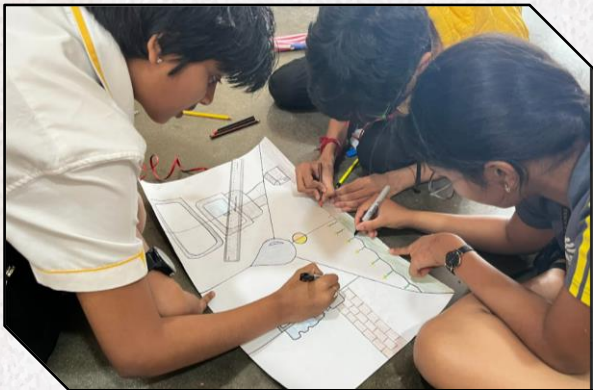
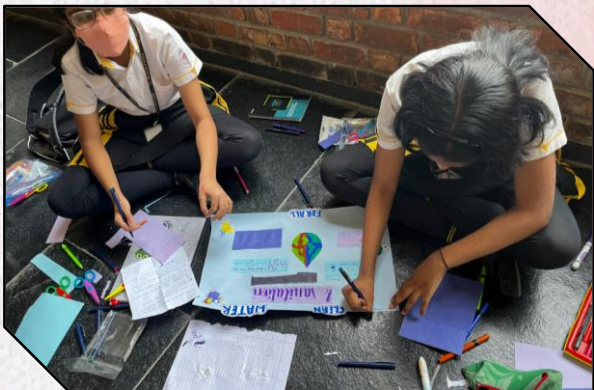
International Women's Day is celebrated on March 8 to spread the message of gender equality and to embrace a society where there are no gender biases. Like always, in a heart-warming gesture, the school management acknowledged the contributions of the women employees. Healthcare professionals from Medcover Hospital graced on the special occasion; Dr. Anusha delivered, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynecologist delivered an enriching discourse on prioritizing a healthy lifestyle and emphasized on undergoing health check-ups every year. She also patiently answered all the audience queries around specific diseases & disorders, menstrual hygiene and busted a lot of myths surrounding women's health. They also presented the teachers with a discounted gift coupon for a full-body check-up. Armed in hues of red and pink, the ladies pledged to prioritize their health, empower and celebrate all around the world.



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World Water Day

This year's World Water Day was about accelerating change to solve the water and sanitation crisis. In the poster-making activity students highlighted the paramount importance of water and ways of preserving this non-renewable resource.



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National Science Day- Poster Making Competition

On the special occasion of National Science Day, the students on March 6, 2023 participated in a Poster Making Competition. Every Class conceptualized their poster, a team activity, based on an UN-Sustainable Goal, the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. They addressed the global challenges we face, including poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, peace and justice. The integral objective of the event was to initiate learning more from the environment and taking viable action to bring visible change.



Core Values

World Poetry Day Celebrations

On the 17th of March, an assembly of middle and high school educators convened in celebration of World Poetry Day, an annual observance occurring on the 21st of March. The event, spearheaded by Ms. Ratna Das, the Head of Department for English under the Central Board of Secondary Education, and Mr. Prithvi Sinha, the Head of Department for English under the International Baccalaureate and Cambridge programs, aimed to cultivate appreciation for the impact of poetry in the lives of those in attendance.

The session commenced with an insightful observation that poetry is ubiquitous in our surroundings, followed by the mellifluous melody of John Lennon's song "Imagine". Inspired by the song's message of envisioning a world without borders, Ms. Das and Mr. Sinha proceeded to recite poems they had written during the lockdown period, expressing their anxieties and gratefulness for life. The students also expressed their deepest emotions in profound verses; infact some weaved the concepts of Science in the magic of words.

The gathering of educators then participated in a haiku writing activity, crafting profound and introspective poems that served as reflections of the teaching profession. These contributions were remarkable expressions of the thoughts and emotions that underpin the challenges and rewards of being an educator. Ultimately, the event served as a touching reminder of the beauty and power of poetry in capturing the essence of human experience.



Core Values

Audio-Visual Workshop by the Organisation 'Kids for Tigers'

The world has changed like never before in the wake of COVID-19. Unprecedented suffering and clouds of uncertainty make us realize that tiny specks in the universe as we are, we have little control over our own lives. The oft-quoted sayings like 'the best things in life are free' are cruel reminders of the fact that we have frittered away these very 'free things' in our illusory chase for absolute power. But, it is time to reaffirm the power of nature as a resurgent force which will pave the way for life in all its pulsating rhythms, vibrant colours and once again abound in its wildlife. 'Kids for Tigers' is an educational outreach programme that goes way beyond conservation education; this programme is dedicated to 'leaving kids with a better planet and leaving the planet with better kids'. Sanctuary Asia launched 'Kids for Tigers' Programme, an environmental education programme in schools across India in the year 2000 and since then it has snowballed into one of India's largest mass movements to save the tiger. The Gaudium School has always laid emphasis on conservation of environment and has taken various environmental initiatives. An audio visual workshop was taken By Mr. Anand and Ms. Richa, Tiger Ambassadors of 'Kids for Tigers' on 3rd March 2023 for teachers and on 6th March 2023 for students. Central to the mission of the programme is the need to communicate the rationale for Tiger conservation, using the tiger as a metaphor for nature. To save tigers, he sensitized the students that we need to save forests to offer a safe haven for plants and animals.



Mindfulness and Wellbeing



Working towards a better wellbeing

Students were sensitized on the importance of the interlink between Mental and Physical health. The session highlighted various factors that play a vital role in staying physically and mentally healthy.

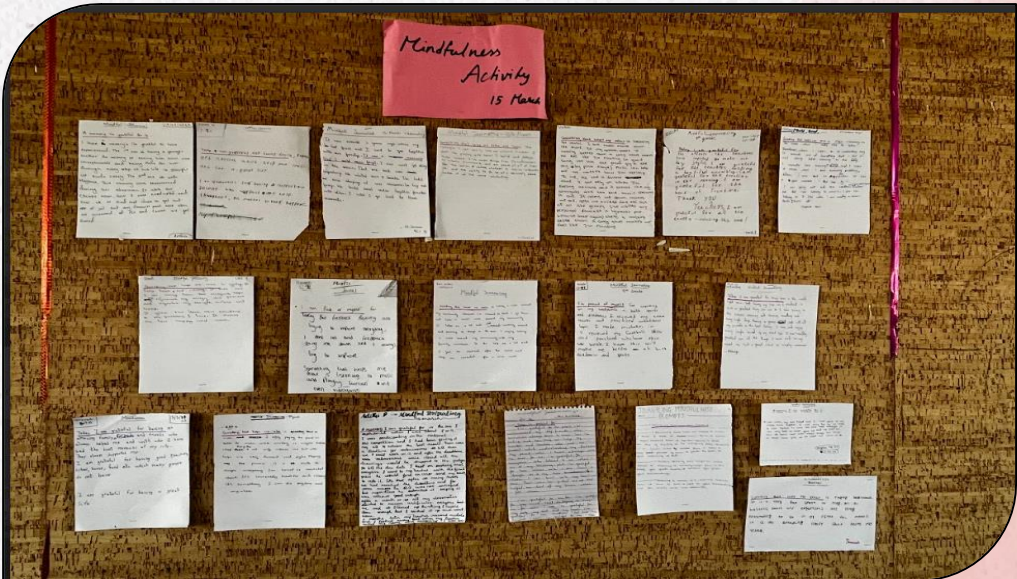
Rejuvenating "self" for a new beginning

Students were engaged in various activities to be mindful and more positive towards the new academic year ahead. They were enjoying the activity with the new students to know them well.



Mindfulness and Wellbeing

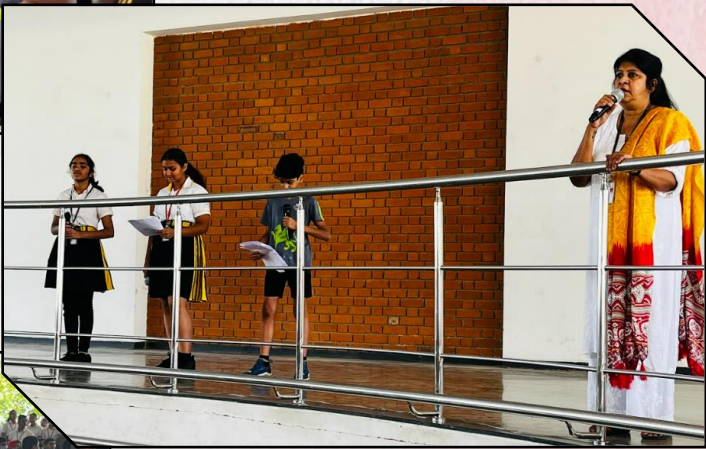
Regular Mindfulness Sessions for Students Mindfulness practices—including focused breathing, open awareness, loving-kindness, and others help teachers use strategies in the classroom, whether they want to invoke a sense of mindfulness in the classroom or to become a more mindful person, in general. These 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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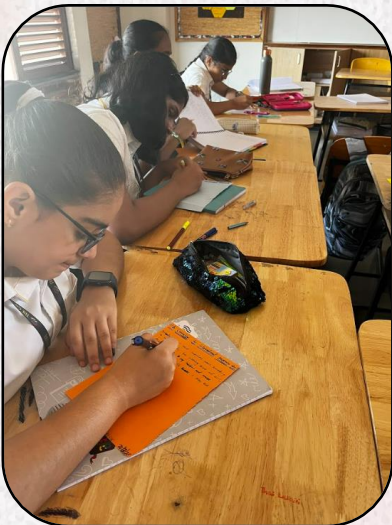
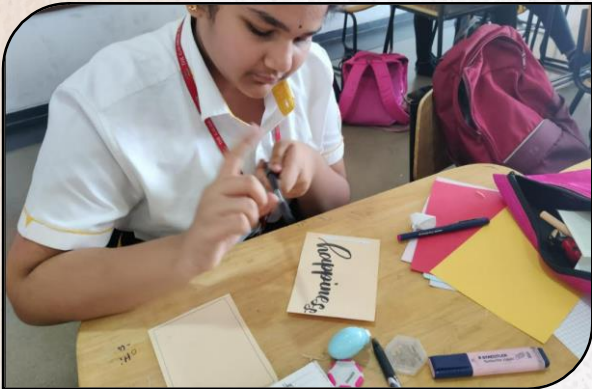
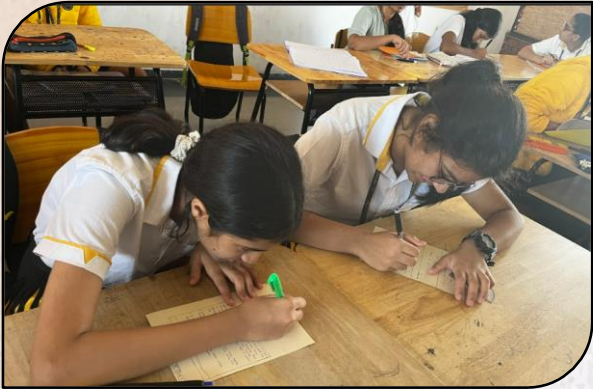
Special Assembly on International Day of Happiness.

The School of Joy joined hands to celebrate the International Day of Happiness on March 20.,2023. In 2011, the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution which recognized happiness as a “fundamental human goal” and called for “a more inclusive, equitable and balanced approach to economic growth that promotes the happiness and well-being of all peoples.” In a special assembly conducted by the Inclusion and Learning Diversity Team; students took charge of infusing everyone with infectious enthusiasm. We swayed to their jolly dance moves and peppy songs. It was full of fun and camaraderie; a good way to remind us that small, thoughtful expressions can have a big impact on others.



Mindfulness and Wellbeing

Our Happiness Wall in honour of **International Day of Happiness**, the students created their 'Happiness Wall'. It was a colourful compilation of their happy memories and articulations of acts of happiness. It was indeed a sight to behold!



Stakeholder Engagement

Three-Way Conference

Together we nurture the dream of holistic development for all our students; parent-teacher interactions play a crucial role in the achievement of this goal. The interactions and discussions among the parents, students, teachers, coordinators and the Principal strengthen the bond among all the stakeholders leading to an atmosphere where we acknowledge the child's aptitude and achievements. Such positive interactions yield rich dividends. The end-of-term Three-Way Conference held on March 11, 2023 was designed to understand the child's progress assessed on the basis of the Term 2 results.



Stakeholder Engagement

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
The Essence of Collaborative Meetings



Global Leadership

CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY MEET 2023-SHARING SIMILARITIES; CELEBRATING DIFFERENCES

It was a delightful Saturday morning on the 25th March at The Gaudium School. The 'School of Joy' hosted the Academic Year's first Cambridge Community Meet to strengthen the network of Cambridge Schools in South India and initiate further collaborations and knowledge sharing opportunities. In the presence of distinguished CAIE leaders, that included Mr. Mahesh Srivastava, Regional Head South Asia Pacific, Mr. Lalith Prasad, Professional Development Qualifications Head, Ms. Poulami Ghosh, Manager, South India and other Cambridge officials & experts in attendance the event commenced by invoking the power of prayer and igniting the lamp of knowledge. The Founder-Director of The Gaudium School, Ms. Kirthi Reddy, CEO, Mr. Ramakrishna Reddy and Principal of Middle and High School, Ms. Sudeshna Chatterjee also graced the occasion with their esteemed presence. Over 30 Cambridge schools, with over 150 representatives that included Heads of Schools, Academic Coordinators, Exams Officers, Career Counselors and Faculty Members were part of the meet. The inauguration ceremony strongly established the idea of embracing diversity as a way of life in its stimulating theme of 'Sharing Similarities; Celebrating Differences'. In a stirring poetry recitation of 'Still I Rise,' written by the American civil rights activist and writer Maya Angelou, Aditi Panikar and Vaishnavi Bodireddy of Grade 9 made an overwhelming impact on the audience; they fervently resounded the celebration of dignity and the need to rise above the bondages of prejudice and hatred. The recitation was followed by an Indian classical dance on the beats of the Hebrew number 'Havenu Shalom Alechem'- truly representing the universal language of peace and love that transcends all boundaries of race and religion. The Founder-Director, Ms. Kirthi Reddy and Principal of Middle and High School, Ms. Sudeshna Chatterjee in their addresses clearly outlined that the educational philosophy of The Gaudium evidently and comprehensively aligned to the learner profiles of CAIE, thus contributing to the immense success of the students over the years. They emphasized on the need for such collaboration to constantly elevate the teaching-learning experiences of the students in a Cambridge classroom. The day's proceedings further progressed into an interactive information exchange on professional development and training careers at Cambridge readily accessible to the Cambridge faculty member; it was led by the PDQ Head Mr. Lalith Prasad. Further ahead, Mr. Nitin Yadav introduced the audience to a well-being portal that could effortlessly address the growing need of emotional security among students. Finally, the assembly distributed into separate breakout sessions for School Leaders, Economics Faculty members and Primary & Lower Secondary facilitators. Each team was acquainted about the upgrades, expectations and execution policies of the curriculum. It provided an excellent opportunity for all to come together and share expert teaching practices, teaching ideas, explore issues/challenges relevant to the country or region and strategize solutions. Above all it provided a unique opportunity to reinforce and deepen the understanding of Cambridge philosophy, standards & practices. All the participants were exceedingly impressed by the school facilities and brilliant sense of hospitality. Their reflections evidently pointed at significant take-away from the learning sessions.

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Unleashing your creativity with visual communication

Graphic design is the process of visual communication, and problem-solving through the correct use of typography, space, image and color. Our students were proud participants in the All-India Design Championship 2023. Satvika Reddy Kurtipali was conferred the runner-up award in the web-design category. Join us in congratulating our young achiever!



Coming up next

Date	Day	Event	Grade
April 3 rd Onwards	Monday	Half day school starts	Grade 7 to 9
April 7 th	Friday	Good Friday	Grades 7 to 10
April 15 th	Saturday	Graduation day	Grade 10(Batch of 2022-23)
April 17 th to 19 th	Monday to Wednesday	Check point exams	Grade 9
April 19 th	Wednesday	Special Assembly	Grade 7 to 10
April 21 st	Friday	Last working day for students	Grade 7 to 10
April 22 nd	Saturday	Summer break starts	Grade 7 to 10

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