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March 2023

Global Leadership

Message from the Head - MS & HS

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 MS&HS

Global Leadership Message from Mathematics - HOD

Pushing Through the Pain: The Power of Perseverance and Grit

"A bend in the road is not the end of the road... unless you fail to make the turn."
– Helen Keller

Perseverance and grit are two of the most important qualities that help us achieve success in our academic and personal lives. Perseverance means to continue pursuing a goal despite setbacks, obstacles, or difficulties, while grit refers to the determination to persevere in the face of adversity. Both perseverance and grit are critical for achieving success, as they enable us to overcome challenges, learn from mistakes, and achieve our goals.

Our school instils these qualities in our students by providing them with a challenging and supportive learning environment. Our students set high goals for themselves, work hard, and persevere through difficult times. They are also provided with opportunities to learn from their mistakes, reflect on their experiences, and grow as individuals.



Through perseverance and grit, our students have achieved remarkable success in a wide range of academic and extracurricular activities. Whether it be in sports, music, or academics, our students have demonstrated the determination and resilience necessary to achieve their goals.

As students, it is also essential to remember that success is not always easy and that setbacks and obstacles are a natural part of the learning process. However, by cultivating perseverance and grit, we can overcome these challenges and achieve our full potential.

Therefore, let us embrace the challenge of learning, persevere through difficult times, and never give up on our dreams. With hard work, determination, and a positive attitude, anything is possible.

Karuppasamy K.
HOD Mathematics



Global Leadership Career Session for MYP4

A career session was conducted for MYP Year 4 and DP I students on the topic 'Fine Arts and Architecture' by the O P Jindal Global University. Professor Achia Anzi, the BFA program director from O P Jindal gave information about fine arts and architecture programs at OP Jindal along with various career options that are available in the field of Arts and Architecture. He also explained how to prepare a portfolio in these fields. It was a fruitful session which the students of Gaudium were glad about. The session was concluded with a vote of thanks.

Mahitha Samhetha
Career Counsellor



Global Leadership MYP Arts Exhibition

Art exhibition helps to boost the confidence of students and uplift their communication and presentation skills by challenging them. It serves as a lens through which learning objectives in visual arts are measured and that the use of artifacts for exhibitions results in the appreciation of cultural diversity among students.

“Beyond colours” The MYP art exhibition was one such opportunity for MYP students to function as artists, as well as learners of the arts. This exhibition not only helped students to develop their curiosity about themselves, others and the world, but they also became effective learners, inquirers and creative problem-solvers. Through this Art exhibition Students developed creating and presenting arts in ways that engaged and conveyed feelings, experiences and ideas. It was through this practice that students acquired new skills and mastered those skills developed in prior learning.

Debendra Kumar Sahoo
MYP Visual Arts Facilitator



Global Leadership MYP Arts Exhibition



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Rebound Hackathon – Student Reflection

Day 1 - On day 1 we had a small introduction and then they explained the problem to us after that we had a small Q&A session which lasted a really long time. After that, we started with our first and only learning session in the entire program on the Arduino NANO board. The session went on till the end of the first day. This was a really informative and fun session although I don't remember all of the things we learned I was able to understand the basics.

Day 2 - On the second day, we started working on the problem statement. The first thing we did was the initial research. Although we had done some at home we felt it wasn't adequate so we did some more research. After that, we started brainstorming ideas and came to the conclusion that we would combine ideas and show the work while for the real-life application part, we would do it on Sketchup. After deciding what to do, we started to work on the coding and the modeling part so that we can get more time for the technical part. By the end of the day, we had finished 80% of our project and just had to add some final details.

Day 3 - On day 3, we finished the final touches on our project in a few hours. First, they introduced the judges, what they do, and their achievements. Then, we presented our idea and project to the judges. We were nervous, but in the end, we thought the presentation turned out great. We really liked the other participants' project presentations as well and their projects turned out to be amazing. They then announced the winners and handed out certificates.

This was an excellent experience and we were extremely happy that we got the opportunity to go to this hackathon. We would definitely try this again and would love to get the opportunity to experience this one more time.

Ishani and Varun
MYP3

Holistic Excellence Rebound Hackathon

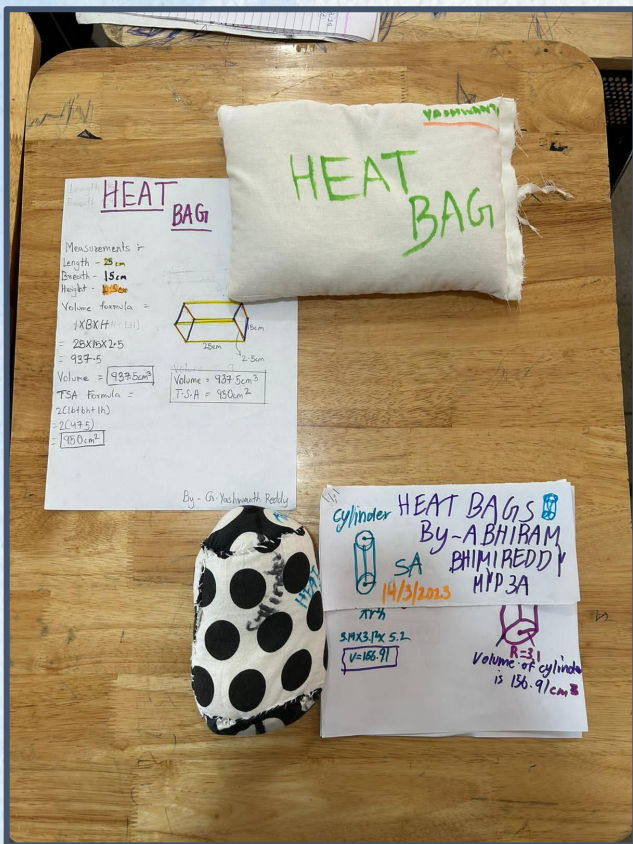


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Hands On Activity - Mathematics

Students learn best by getting engaged and through self inquiry. Grade 8 students have taken initiative to transfer their learnt knowledge in the classroom to make sustainable microwave heat bags that can be reused. They have applied the knowledge of 3D volumes and shapes to make perfect compact bags. Detailed measurements along with calculations are demonstrated by each student.

Sunitha V MYP Mathematics Facilitator

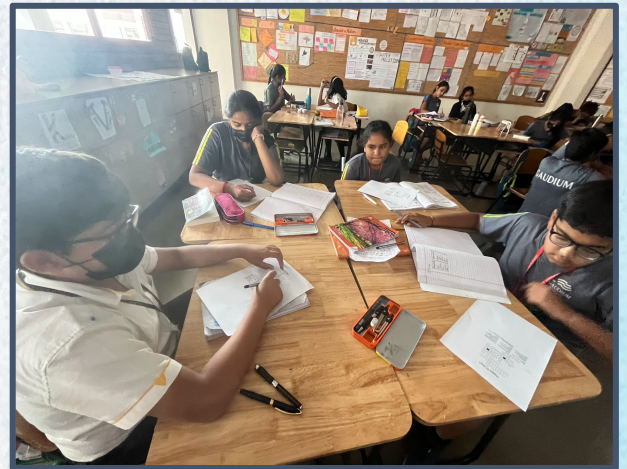
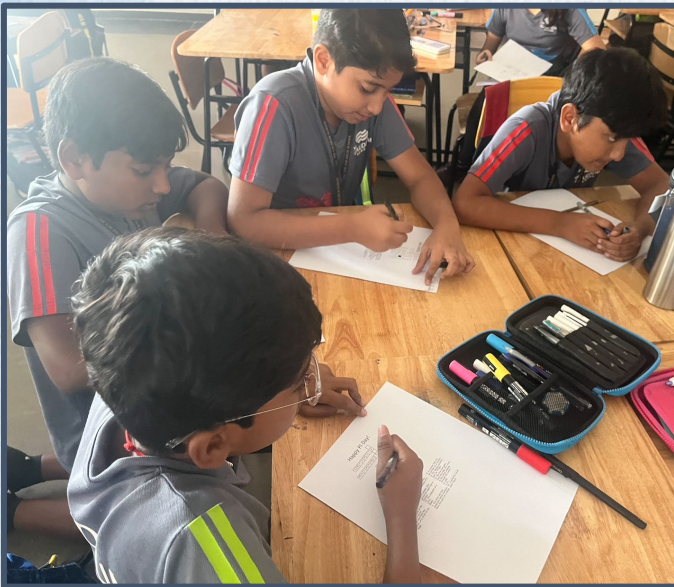


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Math Pi Day Celebration

There is a funny fight between two ridiculously interesting numbers in Math. One says to another "be Real" and another one says "be Rational". And one of the numbers is none other than "pi (an irrational number)". Pi is so significant in Math, it is wrapped around Geometry, Trigonometry, and has a close tie to Imaginary numbers. I wish that life could be calculated as easily as Pi does in arithmetic. Every year on March 14th, we observe Pi Day because the first three digits of pi are 3, 1, and 4, which correspond to the third month and the fourteenth day. On the Occasion of this Pi day, students were taught the significance of Pi and some amazing facts about it. Students were shown a presentation about "Pi" which explains the origin of Pi, its Calculation, and the usage of Pi in our real world which made them think beyond the horizon about this mysterious number.

Shiva V.
MYP Mathematics Facilitator



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Guest Lecture

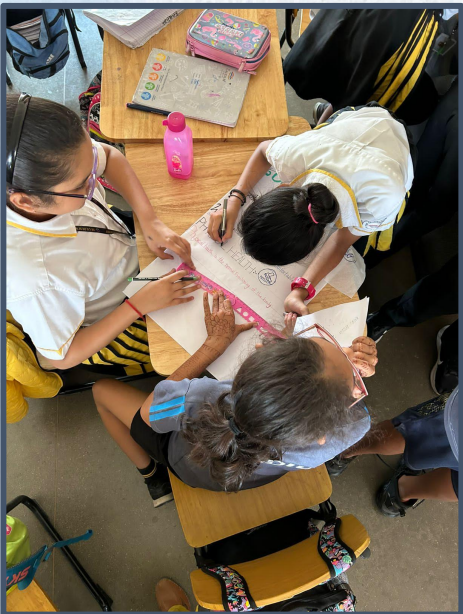
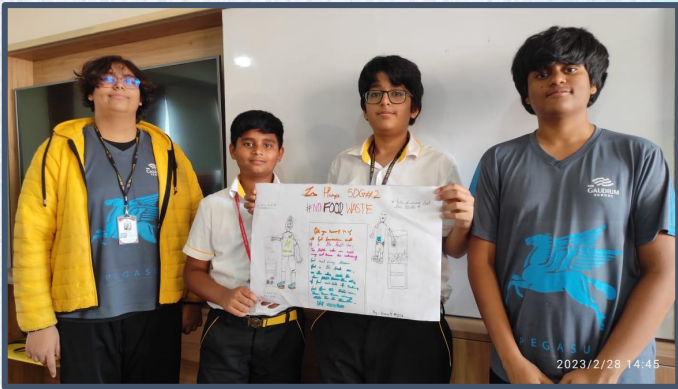
The new unit for MYP3 focused on film studies where students had to analyze camera shots and angles in detail. For this, they had a guest lecture by our Media Studies teacher, Mr. Tawheed. The students thoroughly enjoyed the session as they got hands-on experience using a DSLR camera.

Priyanka B. M.
MYP English Language & Literature



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Science Day - Poster Making Competition



Mindfulness and Wellbeing

Promoting mental health through happiness

Happiness, the most wanted but hardest thing to keep with us for a long time. We all have different meanings of happiness in our life. So, our experience of happiness comes in a different way in each of our lives. World Happiness report says Finland is the Happiest country in the world. A few of the components to measure happiness are Social Support, Healthy Life expectancy, and Freedom to make your own life choices.

The human being is social by nature. Somehow we are connected to each other by helping and supporting throughout life. It is only possible when we are valued to practice it not only for the human race but for the world.

To enjoy our amazing life to the fullest the only vehicle we can ride and is our own body. Health can only let us experience happiness in its true meaning and let us be part of giving happiness to others also. Our age gives us experience and great knowledge about life. Spending time for Physical and mental health strengthens our holistic development as human beings.

Environment, attitude, and observation help us to learn for the life. But the best way they learn in any situation is from our mistakes. It is our own choice that gives us the power to face failure and stand again with full energy to gain more from the world. Choice gives us a sense of power with responsibility.

"Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened. Happiness never decreases by being shared"

—Gautam Buddha

Sudakshina Dey
Special Educator



The session for teachers held on the 18th of March 2023, highlighted the importance of Inclusion Learning, and Diversity at The Gaudium School. We started the session with an activity that gave the teachers a clear clarity of the difference between Inclusion and Diversity. The next part of the session emphasized on various strategies for teaching Special Education Needs Students in a classroom situation. The session continued by identifying various behavioral issues and it's coping strategies.

Session taken by: Ms. Leonie Marshall, Ms. Sudakshina Dey, Ms. Sukanya Das



Core Values

Conservation of Tigers - Session for Teachers

Thinking is easy, acting is difficult, and putting one's thoughts into action is the most challenging thing in the world.

A workshop was organized for teachers by Sanctuary Nature Foundation, Project Kids for Tigers on 3rd March. The workshop highlighted the significance of tigers in maintaining the ecological balance and the urgent need to save them.

The Guest, Mr. Sam, Wildlife and Conservation Consultant. He highlighted the impact on the ecosystem in case an animal or insect becomes extinct. His words of wisdom were absorbed by educators who were a part of the programme. He triggered the minds to think about many aspects that affect our animal kingdom and save them for a better future. Ms. Richa from the Kids for Tiger, Sanctuary Nature Foundation, shared the mission and vision of the programme. They stated that this workshop is a small step towards achieving a bigger goal. Ms. Richa conducted the Teachers' workshop and educated them about the bigger goal and the process to initiate the awareness campaigns to save our ecosystem. The session concluded with an exciting quiz conducted by Ms. Richa

The workshop was a great way to ignite the curiosity and sensitivity in the teachers - the makers of the future!

Let us roar and succeed in the mission 'Kids for Tigers'!

Sushmita Mishra
Activity Coordinator

Core Values

Kids for Tigers – Session for Students

Kids for Tigers is an educational outreach programme that goes way beyond conservation education; rather, 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 Tiger, Ambassador of Kids for Tigers on 7th March 2023, as he aimed to introduce children to nature in a gentle and reassuring manner. Central to the mission of the programme is the need to communicate the rationale for Tiger conservation to children, using the tiger as a metaphor for all of nature. To save tigers, he sensitized the students that we need to save forests, as a result we offer a haven for plants and animals.

Sushmita Mishra
Activity Coordinator



Core Values

World Poetry Day

On the 17th of March, the middle and high school teachers gathered to celebrate the World Poetry Day which falls on 21st of March every year. A session was organised by Ms Ratna Das, the HOD of English of CBSE and Mr Prithvi Sinha, the HOD of English of IB & Cambridge for the teachers so that they could also appreciate the impact of poetry in their lives. Aren't we surrounded by poetry - the session started with the thought which was followed by the beautiful song by John Lenon, Imagine. Following the trace of the song which was written to inspire the world to imagine a world without borders, Ms Das and Mr Sinha read out poems that they had written during the lockdown periods that showed their anxieties and appreciation of life. The session ended with the teachers writing haikus in their groups and some of the haikus became amazing reflections of a Teacher's life.

Prithvi Sinha **HOD English Language & Literature**



Core Values

MYP1C - Assembly on "Stop Animal Abuse!"

MYP1C had organized a class assembly to spread awareness on 'stop animal abuse' as their 'service as action initiative'. The focus of the assembly was to spread awareness on how animal abuse impacts different animals as they are an essential part of our life. It also helps students to inculcate the core value of empathy among themselves. Their focus in SDG was 'life on land' which promotes balance between natural ecosystems and humans. The assembly was a platform where students demonstrated their diverse skills by designing and organizing a short skit. The duties and responsibilities were divided among students, it helped in developing ATL skills such as; social and communication. The use of technology was also seen during the play where students were able to use soft toys and cars for the movement of animals. Overall a great learning experience for the viewers.

Gayatri Meena
Service as Action Coordinator



Core Values

Assembly on International Happiness Day

On 20th March 2023, we at The Gaudium School, celebrated international Happiness Day. Happiness is one such emotion that brings positivity not only to oneself but also to all other people around us. Happiness day was celebrated in our school, by holding a special assembly, led completely by CBSE, CAI, and MYP curriculum students from classes 6th to 12th. This assembly has been orchestrated by the school's Inclusion and Diversity department (ILD). The assembly began with school prayer, followed by dance, games, songs, and a few words by our beloved Principal and our HOD. The students were provided insights into how the UN (United Nations) started this day as a day for "World peace and world harmony". The main theme for this year was: "Be mindful, Be grateful, and Be kind". This theme comes at the right time, amidst all the world's chaos, gently urging us to be mindful, thankful, and eternally connected to the kind and the world for the greater good and betterment. It's very easy to forget happy moments in a busy student's / teacher's life. Hence the assembly encouraged the students and teachers, to get up and get to dance on some fun fast paced rhythmic music, hereby allowing the child within to dance in JOY! The performances were followed by a ball game where each student was asked to share their happy moments. "Happiness is contagious. Be a carrier" (Robert Orben, comedy writer and magician)

Sudakshina Dey

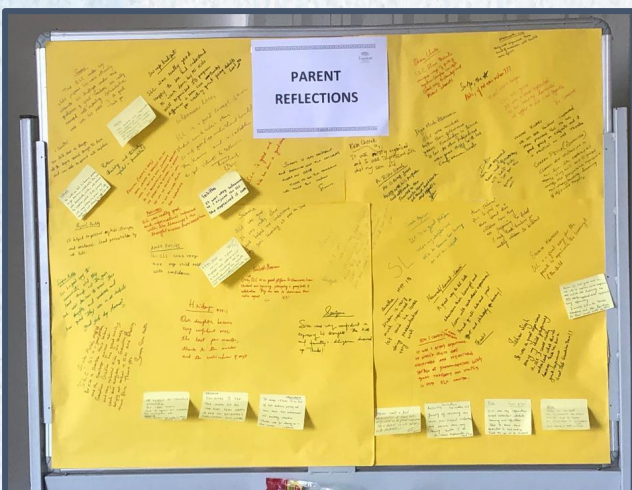
ILD Team



Stakeholder Engagement Student Led Conference (SLC)

The SLC of the academic year 2022-2023 was organized on 18th March, 2023 for the MYP Students and Parents. SLC at The Gaudium school is an opportunity given to students to build a sense of responsibility and accountability of their learnings. Students displayed their learnings and progress in terms of Approaches to learning skills, Learner profile and subject wise assessments based on criteria with great conviction. Parents were also asked to provide their reflections.

Deepa Chhabra
MYP Coordinator



Stakeholder Engagement Women's Day Celebration

As rightly said by Maya Angelou "When women take care of their health they become their own best friend". Keeping this spirit high, Women's day at Gaudium School was celebrated on March 7, where a guest lecture was organized by Dr Anusha consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist who enlightened us about the relevance of health and well-being of women as well as how timely actions and precautions can safeguard us from deadly diseases. The programme was chaired by our esteemed Director Ms Kirti Reddy and CEO Mr Ramakrishna Reddy, Principal Middle and High school Ms Sudeshna Chatterjee and Principal of Primary school Ms, Anjalika Sharma, teachers from primary and Middle and high school, and admin Staff were part of the celebrations. The CEO spoke about the relevance of women's health, as well as applauded the work done by women on two fronts -home and office. The programme culminated with a special gift from our esteemed Director, customized plants for all followed by a high tea.

Fathima Kaneez MYP Integrated Humanities



Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event	Grade
3rd April	Monday	Term 2 Exam Begins	MYP 1 - 4
7th April	Friday	Good Friday Holiday	MYP 1 - 4
14th April	Friday	Term 2 Exam Ends	MYP 1 - 4
20th April	Thursday	Three Way Conference	MYP 1 - 4
21st April	Friday	Last Working Day for Students	MYP 1 - 4

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