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CBSE HS



March – April 2024

# A message from Head of School

Dear Parents,

"I love to rise in a summer morn  
When the birds sing on every tree" - William Blake

It is that time of year when the sun starts stretching its open arms across our lands and the warm winds start blowing.

Our students of Cambridge and CBSE took their board examinations in Feb-March, and we also conducted the final assessments for the students.

MYP and DP students will be completing their assessments and board exams in April and May, followed by the summer break.

On 14th March, we happily started the academic year 2024-2025 for Cambridge and CBSE, ushering in the 10th year of The Gaudium School.

We bid a nostalgic farewell to our Graduating students of Grade 10 and 12 in a beautiful ceremony on 6th April, in the presence of the Founder Director Kirthi Ma'am and CEO Ramakrishna Sir and our esteemed parents. All our good cheer and blessings to our fledglings as they take their flight into the wide world of possibilities and opportunities.



On the bedrock of the Happy Minds Model, the school has built its five pillars of Holistic Excellence, Mindfulness and Wellbeing, Core Values, Global Leadership and Stakeholder Engagement to emerge in 10 years as an iconic educational institution, that values JOY to be the ultimate Learning Outcome, and prepares its students for the world at large.

Auspicious as the number 10 is, it denotes new beginnings. So here I wish every stakeholder of The Gaudium School a great 10th year of learning and growing!

Have a happy Summer Break and see you all soon!

**Sudeshna Chatterjee**  
**Head-MS/HS**



# Message from Associate Coordinator

Dear Students,

It is said that “New beginnings are often accompanied by clear signs pointing you in the right direction” . I think at The Gaudium, we experience this every year when new students join us and choose how they wish to embark on their journey, especially in Grade XI where they make choices of their subjects that will form the foundation of the higher education.

These new beginnings usher in a lot of opportunities to explore your interests and build the tomorrow that you want. It provides you with the blank canvas to paint the picture of your dreams – draw the path that you wish to pursue. And when you strive to attain your dreams, everything in nature will fall in place to support you. But you have to remember that you cannot stop until you have arrived at your destination. This reminds me of a thought I read some time ago by Anne Sullivan – keep on beginning and failing. Each time you fail start all over again, and you will grow stronger until you have accomplished the purpose.



Take time to follow and read about people you admire, individuals who made a difference to people’s life. Some leaders whose work and words have always inspired me are APJ Abdul Kalam, Mahatma Gandhi, Swami Vivekananda, Mother Teresa, Kabir and the list goes on. Identify the person(s) you admire and read about them, learn their traits that endear them to you.



# Message from Associate Coordinator

As you are on your summer break, please take this time to ponder on your dreams and define your path. One way to go is the Japanese way of Ikigai. Ikigai is a Japanese concept referring to something that gives a person a sense of purpose, a reason for living. It is state of wellbeing that arises from devotion to activities one enjoys, which also brings a sense of fulfillment. It talks about the answering 4 questions

- What you like doing?
- What you are good at?
- What you can earn from?
- What the society needs?

If you can answer these questions and try and balance your work, I think you will find your purpose and the Gaudium school will be your companion in your journey. So, this vacations, other than completing your homework and having fun, please take time to comprehend your “raison d’etre” or “reason for being.



Have loads of fun!

Looking forward to meeting you in June

All the best,

**Vijayetha**

**Associate Coordinator CBSE-HS**





# Perseverance a Gateway to Success

Perseverance is defined as the ability to stick with and finish something, even when it's difficult. It's easy to confuse perseverance with stubbornness, but they are two very different things.

Stubbornness refers to being unwilling or unable to change one's mind or way of thinking about something; this can lead a person down the wrong path without realizing it until it is too late.

Persevering involves taking steps toward your goal every day until you reach it—and then celebrating! Perseverance can be learned. You may need some extra help in order, for it become part of your nature, but there are plenty of ways for us all learn how not only survive but thrive under pressure:

## **Perseverance can help students succeed in school.**

Perseverance is an important skill that can help students succeed in school. When you persevere, you keep trying even when things get hard.

Students who have the perseverance to stick with something until they succeed are more likely to get good grades and go on to college than those who give up easily. They're also more likely to graduate from college once they get there!

## **Perseverance leads to success at home and in school.**

The ability to persevere is an important quality to have in school and at home. Perseverance is a skill that can be learned, and it's one that will help you succeed in all aspects of your life. Let's take a look at how perseverance helps students achieve success in school:

- Students who persevere are able to stay focused on their studies even when they encounter obstacles or setbacks along the way. The key here is not giving up when things get difficult; instead, students must find ways around these challenges so they can keep moving forward towards their goal(s).
- Those with perseverance tend not only achieve better grades but also show improvement over time as they continue working hard at whatever challenges come up along their path towards success.

**Conclusion** - Perseverance is a key trait to have, not just in school but in life. It will help you succeed at home and in school, as well as in future jobs or careers. Perseverance means that you'll stick with something even when it's difficult or painful—and that kind of dedication pays off!

**Leonie Marshall**

**HOD - ILD**



# Core Values



## World Autism Awareness Day - Mime-

“ Autism doesn't come with an instructional guide. It sometimes comes with a family who will never give up.”





# Core Values



On the occasion of “Women's Day” celebration, our organization has invited an IT professional Ms. Shirisha as the chief guest who then spoke about women’s empowerment in the light of 21<sup>st</sup> century.. She highlighted how women can empower themselves by taking charge of their careers and seeking out opportunities to learn and grow. The insights were truly inspiring and left an ever-lasting impact on all those who attended the event.



# Core Values



Graduation Day, the celebration of achievements of our board batches was organised on 6th of April at the school campus. The event marked the culmination of all the hard work, perseverance and determination of our students. It was a bittersweet moment when school bid adieu to the outgoing students who will spread their wings and fly towards their goals and leave us with their memories. The Founder Director - Ms. Keerthi Reddy, CEO - Mr. Ramakrishna Reddy and HOS - Ms. Sudeshna Chatterjee applauded the students and gave away their graduation certificate amidst the gathering of parents and teachers. This year's **Valedictorians** are **Samridhhi Iyengar** for grade X & **Mothukuri Sankara Shishir Vasista** for grade XII. This year's **Students of the Year** are **Nishka Agarwal** for grade X & **Sadhu Haasini Reddy** for grade XII.





# Core Values



The school management celebrated the end of the academic year on 27th April, 2024 by honoring teachers with awards, recognizing their dedication and hard work. In a heartfelt ceremony, teachers received accolades for their exceptional contributions to student learning and school culture, fostering a sense of appreciation and motivation for the year ahead.



# Core Values



Grade IX Assembly on International day of forests –

## “VRUKSHO RAKSHATHI RAKSHITHA”

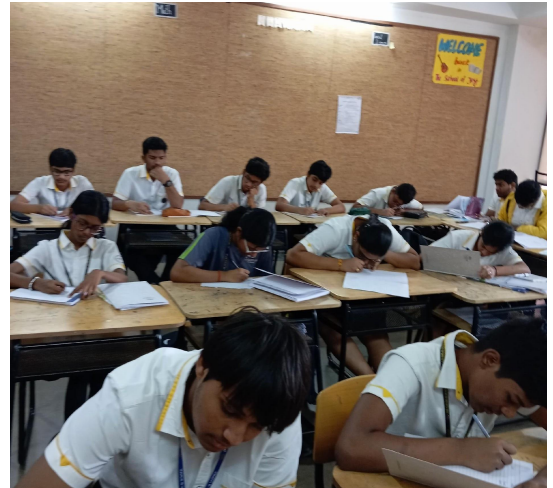
The 9<sup>th</sup> grade students organized a special assembly on World Forest Day with an excellent thought provoking skit emphasizing the importance of forests in combating climate change. Madam Principal had addressed the students with an inspirational speech with call to action for conservation. The presentations included motivational speech by the coordinator Mr. Manoj followed by songs, speeches and skits.





# Holistic Excellence

A personality test is conducted by ILD team to help grade X students to know their personality characteristics. The aim of the test is to enable students to find out their strengths and weaknesses. This enables them to discover their Aptitude and interests. Students liked the test and its results.



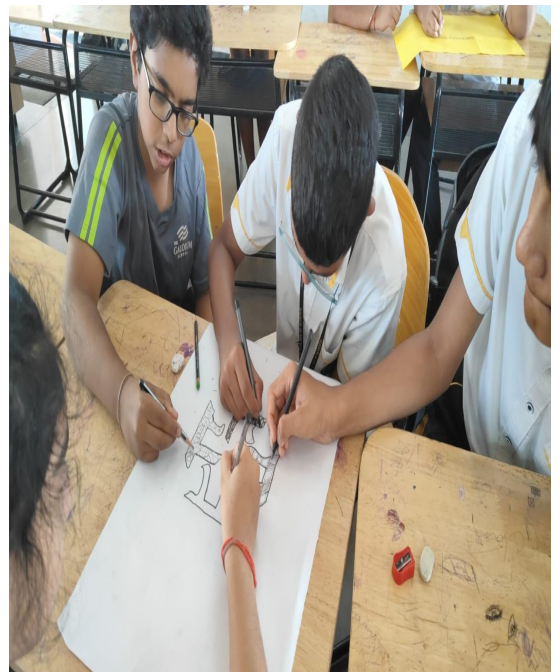
Grade XII AI Students crafted unique narratives with StoryboardThat.com, an interactive online tool, as an introduction to data storytelling, showcasing creativity and analytical thinking

Happy English Activity By Dr Teja Ravirala: Grade 11 A students gathered in the Amphitheatre for a lively group discussion as part of their linguistic activity. They debated various topics, exchanged ideas, and improved communication skills, fostering teamwork and boosting their confidence.



# Holistic Excellence

On March 14th, students dived into the fun of mathematics by celebrating PI Day! From exciting competitions to creative projects, our school was buzzing with mathematical energy. Students explored the significance of  $\pi$  through engaging activities, games. It was a day filled with learning, laughter, and of course, plenty of pie!





# Mindfulness and wellbeing

Mindfulness meditation session was conducted grade 12 students on a working Saturday involving all the young minds to learn methods to enhance focus on the present moment, fostering calmness, awareness and stress reduction, ultimately enhancing learning and emotional well-being.



# Stakeholder Engagement



**Introduction of new team heads for new academic year-** The declaration of heads of departments in a school is an important process that helps to ensure effective management of the institution. These individuals are responsible for overseeing the academic programs in their respective departments, as well as ensuring that teachers are providing quality education to students. Their leadership and guidance play a critical role in shaping the overall success of the school.





# Stakeholder Engagement



**Session on 5 Pillars** - Teachers recently learned about the 5 pillars of education: Core Values, Holistic Excellence, Global Leadership, Stakeholder Engagement, and Mindfulness and Well-being. By incorporating these pillars into their teaching practices, teachers can create a nurturing and supportive learning environment that benefits their student's well-being and success.



# Stakeholder Engagement



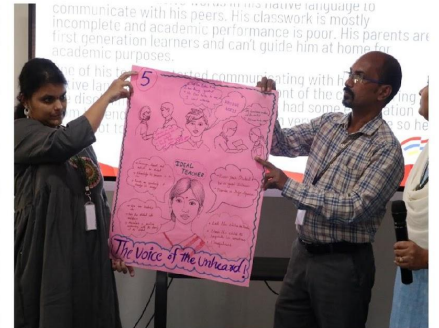
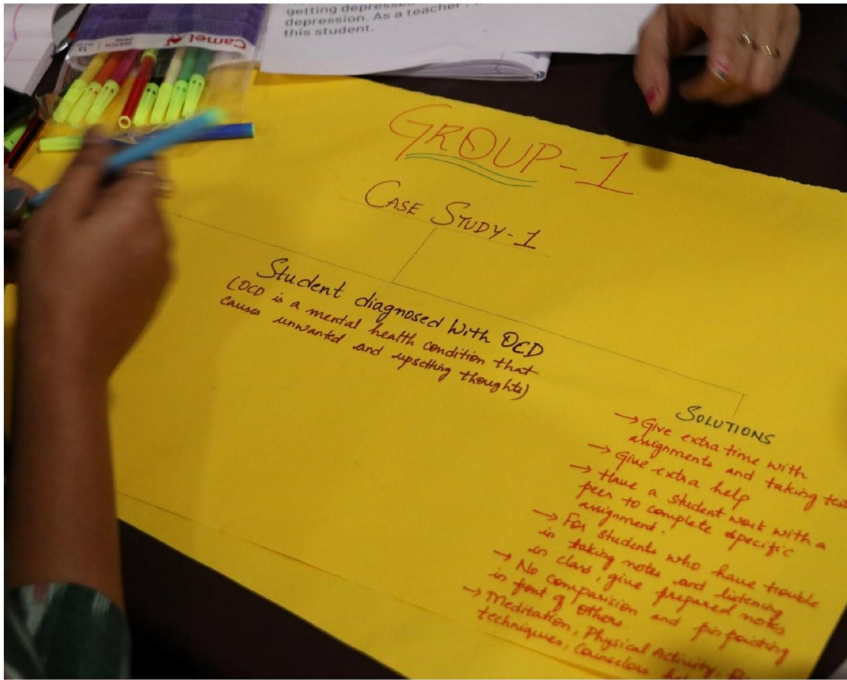
## Teachers Trainings at ISB on various skills

Workshops on various topics like Global Citizenship, Stem and Robotics and Coding was conducted by ISB for our teachers to equip them with the fundamental and intrinsic knowledge in those fields. The sessions were accompanied with various group activities like poster making and presentations that made it interactive and engaging. Teachers were also given a run through of the syllabus and worksheets for each topic pertaining to different grades.





# Stakeholder Engagement



## Understanding Teenagers

Aim and objective of the session was to sensitize teachers on skills to deal with teenage challenges. The session started with a mindfulness activity . Followed by a PPT on the various challenges students undergo physically, mentally and socially.

The next segment of the session was an activity where teachers were divided into groups of 5. Each group was given a case history based on counselling cases . Teachers of each group then shared their opinions on each case.



# Stakeholder Engagement



## Teachers' session - Technology for Teachers

Our recent technology training session equipped teachers with essential AI tools to enhance classroom experiences. Teachers delved into the world of artificial intelligence, exploring innovative ways to enhance classroom experiences. Through hands-on workshops and interactive sessions, educators gained valuable insights into incorporating AI tools into their teaching practices. We're thrilled by the positive feedback received and are committed to offering more sessions to meet the growing demand.





# Stakeholder Engagement

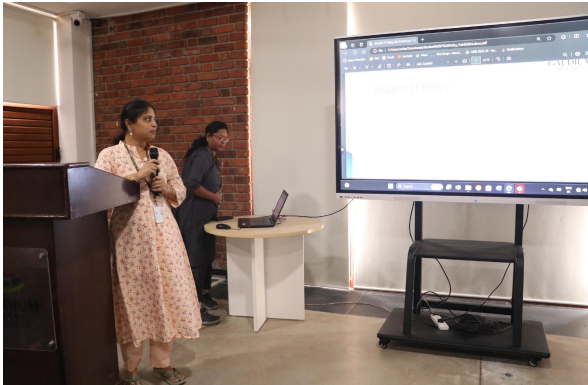


**Empowering Educators: Professional Development Sessions** - Our committed teachers have recently taken part in enriching Professional Development (PD) sessions. These sessions have covered a wide range of topics, ranging from social-emotional learning to digital instruction, as well as effective classroom management. As we continue to grow, our dedication to lifelong learning remains steadfast. We applaud our enthusiastic educators!





# Stakeholder Engagement



The school policy review meeting to discuss academic and conduct guidelines, discipline policies, parent-teachers communication, and suggestions for enhancing students' engagement and safety



# Global Leadership



**Students at Indian Institute of Hotel Management for Summer Internship**





# Global Leadership



## IDE bootcamp workshop attended by the Computer Science teachers

"Innovation, Design, and Entrepreneurship (IDE) Bootcamp" was hosted by Vardhaman College of Engineering, Hyderabad and supported by apex bodies such as AICTE and their esteemed knowledge partner, Wadhvani Foundation. This bootcamp gave an enriching experience that will equip teachers with valuable insights and skills in the fields of innovation, design, and entrepreneurship



## Anti-Narcotics workshop attended by the ILD team

The ILD team attended a workshop on Anti-Narcotics on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2024, which was conducted by the Hyderabad police. There were more than 1000 representatives from various schools, NGO's and corporate sector as well. The session was very informative, the guest speakers spoke about the physical, psychological and social effects of substance abuse, how does drugs have an adverse effect on the economy thus affecting the world at large.





# Times School

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## THE GAUDIUM SCHOOL: FOSTERING HOLISTIC EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING FOR TOMORROW'S LEADERS

In the ever-evolving landscape of education, where the quest for knowledge often overshadows the nurturing of essential life skills, The Gaudium School emerges as a beacon of quality, reshaping the paradigm of learning. Rooted in the Latin word for 'Joy', The Gaudium encapsulates a vision, where every student embarks on a transformative journey, guided by core values such as respect, empathy, integrity, perseverance and gratitude. As a leading international school in Hyderabad, The Gaudium School transcends conventional educational models, offering a holistic approach that empowers students to thrive academically, emotionally and socially.

Residential summer camps with US universities provide unique 'out of class' learning experiences. Additionally, initiatives like Model United Nations training and workshops on design thinking, nurture critical thinking abilities. Career webinars and educational trips further broaden students' horizons, equipping them for future endeavours.

The mastery of success skills required for readiness in the Gen Z era are offered as curricular opportunities in



Swastha, and embrace service to humanity through Seva. The Gaudium's commitment to holistic education extends beyond the classroom walls. The school's advanced facilities, including well-equipped laboratories, libraries, sports facilities and creative arts spaces, provide students with ample opportunities to explore their interests and talents in a nurturing and supportive environment. Whether it's participating in sports competitions, showcasing artistic talents in school events, or conducting scientific experiments in the laboratory, The Gaudium School offers a myriad of avenues for students to discover their passions, hone their skills and pursue excellence in all aspects of their lives.



sustainability and rural development through partnerships with organisations like NIRD, ICRISSAT and ICME. The Farmers' Market, a vibrant component of The Gaudium School's holistic education philosophy, is a yearly tradition which serves as a platform for students to apply their learning in real-life contexts. This event promotes sustainable practices and supports local farmers' livelihoods under the overarching theme of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam - the world as one family. This year, the Farmers' Market adopted the theme 'International Year of Millets'.

to nurturing the child - academically, emotionally and socially. Dynamic associations with conglomerates of US Universities (Access USA), Oregon State University, some of the top universities of New Zealand, GD Goenka University, OP Jindal University and others, seeks to create a seamless pathway for students from high school to institutes of higher learning.

The Gaudium School is distinguished by its innovative CAS approach and dedication to fostering critical thinking and creativity. CAS at The Gaudium cultivates a culture of service and personal growth through its three pillars: shiksha, swastha and seva. These pillars not only align with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) but also bridge societal divides, as students actively engage in enhancing educational opportunities for all under Shiksha, contribute to patient well-being through



The Gaudium School stands as a beacon of quality in education, offering a transformative learning experience that empowers students to excel academically, grow personally and make a positive impact on the world. With its innovative approach to holistic education, commitment to global citizenship and cultural diversity and emphasis on student well-being and mental health, The Gaudium School sets itself apart as a leader in educational innovation and excellence. As the world continues to evolve and change, The Gaudium School remains steadfast in its mission to unlock the potential of every student and create a brighter, more inclusive and sustainable future for all.

**ADMISSIONS OPEN**  
2024-2025  
Grade 11  
IBDP/ CBSE

The Gaudium School sets a benchmark in innovative education, offering curated activities for middle and high school students. Initiatives such as summer internships and camps offer valuable real-life experiences. Internships are offered in diverse areas, both locally and at prestigious universities worldwide, fostering

robotics, coding and global citizenship and financial literacy. Beyond academics, The Gaudium School emphasises holistic development through adventure sports, outreach programs and art integration projects. Additionally, they gain awareness of

At the core of The Gaudium's educational philosophy lies the Happy Minds Model - a comprehensive framework built upon five developmental pillars: holistic excellence, core values, stakeholder engagement, mindfulness and wellbeing and global leadership. This model reflects the school's unwavering commitment



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We're thrilled to announce that The Gaudium School has been featured in the prestigious TIMES SCHOOL MAGAZINE! The article shines a light on our innovative approach to education, highlighting our dedication to nurturing well-rounded individuals through a blend of academic excellence and extracurricular enrichment. We're proud to be recognized for our commitment to empowering students to reach their fullest potential



## SPORTS CORNER

This young Hyderabad athlete is all set to conquer the world

## Hyderabad's Gymnastic Sensation!



**Nishka Agarwal**, a 16-year-old gymnast and student at The Gaudium School, was first introduced to the sport at seven years. As a child, she did not think much of it other than as a fun/fitness activity that she got to explore at summer camps (at LB Stadium). However, as she neared the age of 12, and showed immense discipline and promise, with guidance from acclaimed gymnast Aruna Reddy and her now coach Manoj Rana, she began to consider taking up gymnastics professionally.

Born to Praveen and Aditi Agarwal, the Hyderabad athlete has won multiple gold medals within eight years. She has been awarded at district, state, national, and international levels in the junior category for artistic gymnastics, which includes four events namely table vault, balancing beam, uneven bar, and floor exercise.

### THE ROUTINE

Nishka trains for nearly five to six hours a day. Her training involves hyper-stretching exercises divided into two sessions, one in the morning and the other in the evening. Regarding food intake, Nishka does not follow a strict diet but does make sure to avoid "junk food" and stick to proteins.

### WINS SO FAR

Some of her recent gold medal hauls include ones for the Junior National Championship held at Odisha; the Khelo India Youth Games, in Chennai; and the International Pharaohs Cup for Artistic Gymnastics held in Cairo, Egypt. Of her one-of-a-kind experience in Cairo last year, the young prodigy who just transitioned into the senior category shares, "It felt like a new step for me, taking part internationally for the first time."

### STAYING GROUNDED

Being thrust upon the world stage has not just been a whirlwind of an experience for Nishka, but also for her parents who have been her supportive guardian angels doing everything they can to make sure their daughter lives out her dream. When asked how they help keep Nishka stay grounded, her mother Aditi shares, "Nishka has always been a very grounded child. Even when it came to studies, she was interested in it personally. The way she has managed it all has been beautiful to see."

### LINED-UP NEXT...

Moving forward, Nishka, who just finished her tenth board examination, will be seen continuing her schooling while gearing up for the Asian championship that will be held in May. After which she will be tirelessly preparing for the Commonwealth Games and the Olympics. ■ IPSHITA

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కిగాలి:

ఐటీఎన్ జూనియర్ సర్క్యూల్ టెన్నిస్ టోర్నమెంట్లో తెలుగు మ్యూ షన్వితరెడ్డి రన్నరప్ గా నిలిచింది. ఆండర్-18 డబుల్స్ తుది ఫోరులో షన్విత-లారా చానోవా (చెక్) జంట 3-6, 1-6 తో సెల్లా జిమోవిక్ (సెర్బియా)-నేహా కృష్ణన్ (అమెరికా) జోడి చేతిలో పరాజయం చవిచూసింది. సెమీఫైనల్ షన్విత ద్వయం 6-2, 6-3 తో సిర్బియా కాలిమున్ (మెయిన్) కరీనా హోజియాక్ (పోలాండ్)



## రన్నరప్.. శాన్విత జోడి



సాక్షి హైదరాబాద్: అంతర్జాతీయ టెన్నిస్ సమాఖ్య (ఐటీఎఫ్) వరల్డ్ టూర్ టెన్నిస్-జూనియర్ టోర్నీలో నగరానికి చెందిన నూకల శాన్విత

**Shanvitha and partner settle for second spot**  
Hyderabad tennis player Shanvitha Reddy Nukala and her partner Laura Chanova from the Czech Republic finished runners-up at the World Tennis Tour ITF Junior Circuit U-18 tournament in Kigali, Rwanda. Shanvitha and Laura lost to Stela Dzimovic of Serbia and Neha Krishnan of USA 3-6, 1-6.



Shanvitha Reddy and Laura Chanova

war tournament at the OU Law College.

**Results (final):** lost to Stela Dzimovic (Serbia)/Neha Krishnan (USA) 3-6, 1-6.  
**SFs:** bt Silvia Caliman (Spain)/Karina Wozniak (Poland) 6-2, 6-3. **QFs:** bt Lea Alexiane Mebenga/Anouk Vandeveld (Belgium) 6-3, 6-4. **1st Rd:** bt Ajenka Ishimwe Bimenyimana Melissa/Ineza Thirivina (Dzuzuts) 6, 2, 6, 0

**Easy for Nav Bharat**  
Nav Bharat thrashed Dasmesh, Ameerpet 13-2 in the Hyderabad Hockey Cup five-a-side tournament at Ramleela PG, Chintal Basti.  
**Results:** Nav Bharat bt Dasmesh, Ameerpet 13-2. AC Duzar bt Mahara

## CITY CLIPS



Shanvitha Reddy Nukala (left) and Laura Chanova are all smiles after finishing runners-up at the World Tennis Tour ITF Junior Circuit (J30) Under-18 tournament held at Kigali in Rwanda on Friday.

## Shanvitha-Laura are second best

Indian junior tennis player Shanvitha Reddy Nukala and her doubles partner Laura Chanova of Czechoslovakia finished runners-up at the World Tennis Tour ITF Junior Circuit (J30) Under-18 tournament held at Kigali in Rwanda on Friday. Shanvitha & Laura lost the final 3-6, 1-6 to Stela Dzimovic (Serbia) & Neha Krishnan (USA). Earlier in the semifinals, Shanvitha & Laura defeated Silvia Caliman (Spain) & Karina Wozniak (Poland) 6-2, 6-3. In the quarterfinals, they had beaten Lea Alexiane Mebenga & Anouk Vandevelde of Belgium with a 6-3, 6-4 scoreline. In the first round, they had blown off Ajenka Ishimwe Bimenyimana Melissa & Thierine Ineza of Rwanda 6-2, 6-0. Shanvitha is from Patancheru in Hyderabad and a Class XII student at the Gaudium International School in Kollur, Sangareddy district. She is coached by Vijay Kumar of Vijay Tennis Academy.

## HYDERABAD ROUND-UP

**Ranga Reddy blanks Medak**  
Ranga Reddy blanked Medak 6-0 in the league phase of the 10th senior men's inter-district football championship at Godavarikhani (Karimnagar) on Saturday.  
**The results:**  
Ranga Reddy 6 (Lalith, Vikas, Sai Karthik, Augustine, Patwal, Nagesh) bt Medak 0.  
Nizamabad 2 (Iman 2) bt Warangal 0.  
Warangal 4 (Kishore 2, Vijay 2) bt Karimnagar 0.  
Adilabad drew with Mahabubnagar 0-0.



Shanvitha.

bt Medak 50-30; Vikarabad bt Mahabubabad 73-31.  
**Girls:** Hyderabad bt Nizamabad 53-24; Medchal & Malkajgiri bt Hanamkonda 46-20; Vikarabad bt Mahabubnagar 24-7; Ranga Reddy bt Nalgonda 42-12.

**Shanvitha & Laura finish runner-up**  
N. Shanvitha Reddy of India and Laura Chanova of Czechoslovakia finished doubles runners-up of the ITF junior (J30) under-18 tennis tournament at Kigali (Rwanda). Shanvitha, coached by Vijay Kumar at the Vijay Tennis Academy, and Laura lost to Stela Dzimovic (Serbia) and Neha Krishnan (USA) 6-3, 6-1 in the final.

## డబుల్స్ రన్నరప్ శాన్విత జోడి

హైదరాబాద్, ఆట ప్రతినీది: కిగాలి(రువాండ్) వేదికగా జరిగిన వరల్డ్ టూర్ టెన్నిస్ ఐటీఎఫ్ జూనియర్ సర్క్యూల్లో తెలుగాణ యువ షేయర్ నూకల శాన్విత సాక్షి జిగినుచుంది. శనివారం జరిగిన సమీక



# Upcoming events

| DATE     | DAY      | EVENT                               | CLASSES  |
|----------|----------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| 20 April | Saturday | Summer break starts                 | IX - XII |
| 01 June  | Saturday | Orientation for students and parent | IX - XII |
| 03 June  | Monday   | School reopens                      | IX - XII |



# LINKS

## **Our website:**

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

## **Social Media:**

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<https://www.youtube.com/c/Thegaudiumschool>

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