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Newsletter

Events in September

Primary Section

Thursday, 5th September: Teacher's Day celebration

Saturday, 14th September: PTM Grade Pre Nursery

Thursday, 19th September: Primary Section Math Assembly

Saturday, 21st September: PTM Grades Nursery and Upper Nursery

Monday, 23rd September: Primary Section celebrates International Day of Peace

Thursday, 26th September: Puja Assembly for Primary Section

Junior Section

Monday, 2nd September and Wednesday, 4th September: Counselling Sessions for Grade 5

Wednesday, 4th September: Teachers' Day Celebration Grades 1-2

Tuesday, 5th September: Teachers' Day Celebration Grades 3-5

Saturday, 14th September: PTM Grades 2 and 5

Monday to Friday, 16th to 20th September: Junior Section Inter house Football matches

Wednesday, 18th September: Hindi Diwas for Grades 1-5

Thursday, 19th September: Olympiad- IGKO- Grades 1-8

Saturday, 21st September: PTM Grade 3

Thursday, 26th September: IEO for Grades 1-8

Saturday, 28th September: PTM Grades 1 and 4, Junior School Friendly Football match

Monday, 30th September: Junior Section - Puja Assembly





Newsletter

Events in September



The Primary and Junior Section of Calcutta International School warmly welcome :

Prayan Ganatra in Grade Pre Nursery A

Anushka Sarkar and **Amayra Roy** in Grade 2A





Acknowledging Participants

Alaap

On 31st July 2024, the participants of the fest organized by the Heritage School, Alaap were felicitated in a special assembly in school. Some students were not in school on that day as they were participating in another event.

It was a proud moment for all of us.



Kaushal

Students of Calcutta International School proudly participated in 'Kaushal', a prestigious Hindi Fest held at Ruby Park Public School on July 31, 2024. This event provided a platform for students to showcase their talents, foster healthy competition, and perform in front of a large audience of educators and students. This festival gave them the chance of a wider exposure to the Hindi language outside the realm of their own school.

There were three types of events in 'Kaushal' which included poetry, recitation, acting and advertisement writing.

Our Junior Section students excelled in acting and poetry recitation, with Aryan Newar (Grade 3B) and Tamanna Bhutoria (Grade 4B) impressively portraying famous personalities, Deshbandhu Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and Mrs. Sudha Murthy, respectively, in the 'Abhinay' event. Aryan secured third position, while Tamanna also delivered an outstanding performance.

Shivanshi Jain's powerful poetry recitation on women empowerment, "तुम मुझको कब तक रोकोगे" (How long will you stop me), attracted widespread attention and appreciation.

Syona Ghosh of Grade 8A participated in the advertisement writing competition. She created a visually striking piece depicting an exhibition sale using persuasive writing techniques to convey her message. The artwork was much appreciated for its innovative approach.

The teachers of Hindi at CIS, Miss Jyoti Chhetri, Ms. Kashmiri Marwah, and Mrs. Suman Dhanuka guided the students.

We are happy to announce that Aryan Newar won the 3rd prize for his enactment in the event, Abhinay and every student received a certificate of participation.

Mr. Sanjay Jaiswal, a renowned educationist and judge, commended CIS participants for their outstanding performances, highlighting their exceptional Hindi dialogue delivery, drama coordination, and acting skills. He appreciated the school's efforts in nurturing dramatic talents and thanked the teachers and management for motivating students to excel in language learning.

The competition showcased our students' exceptional discipline, talent, and hard work, highlighting the profound impact such events have on children's progress and self-confidence.





Kaushal

Message from Mr Sanjay Jaiswal - प्रतिभा का संबंध जितना प्रस्तुति से है, उतना ही उसे तराशने और निखारने से भी है अतः ऐसा ही अभिनय प्रतियोगिता में आर्यन और तमन्नादोनों कलाकारों ने संवाद अदायगी के साथ नाटकीयता का जबरदस्त तालमेल दिखाया। ऐसा लग रहा था कि मैं

किसी स्थापित और प्रशिक्षित कलाकार को देख रहा हूँ। सिनेमा और ओटीटी के इस दौर में कलकत्ता इंटरनेशनल स्कूल की ओर से अपने विद्यार्थियों को नाट्य अभिनय के लिए तैयार करना स्वागतयोग्य है। कविता को कला से जोड़कर जिस तरह से शिवांशी ने काव्य आवृत्ति की वह भी प्रशंसनीय रहा। उसने कविता के भाव को अपने पाठ से बहुत अच्छे से संवारा। शिवांशी की इस प्रस्तुति पर बांग्ला काव्य संस्कृति की आभा देखने को मिली। उसने आवृत्ति करते समय उतार-चढ़ाव यानी आरोह-अवरोह का पूरा ध्यान रखा। ऐसा तभी संभव होता है जब विद्यार्थियों को कुशल प्रशिक्षण मिलता है। मैं विद्यार्थियों के साथ कलकत्ता इंटरनेशनल स्कूल के सभी सहयोगी शिक्षकों, प्रबंधन एवं विद्यार्थियों के अभिभावकों को धन्यवाद देना चाहता हूँ, जो साहित्य, कला और संस्कृति के इस अभियान को अपना सहयोग और प्रोत्साहन दे रहे हैं। मुझे भरोसा है जो रचेगा वह बचेगा और वही दूसरों को बचाएगा भी।

आपका

संजय जायसवाल



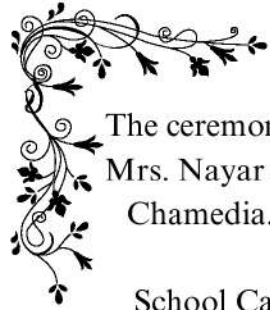
Investiture Ceremony

“Become the kind of leader that people would follow voluntarily, even if you had no position or title.” - Brian Tracy

The role of a prefect or captain goes beyond holding a title; it is a commitment to uphold the values and principles of the school. This privilege comes with the responsibility to lead by example, inspire others, and foster a positive learning environment. CIS takes great pride in selecting members of the Junior School Student Council, chosen not only for their academic achievements but also for their integrity, empathy, and willingness to contribute positively to the school community.



The Investiture Ceremony for the Junior School Student Council for the academic session 2024-25 was held on Thursday, August 1, 2024. This event was organized not only to award badges to the office bearers but also to confer responsibilities as students took their pledges to fulfill their duties in the presence of Principals Mrs. Pratima Nayar and Mrs. Tina Servaia, GM Mr. Koushik Dutta, Section Heads, Mrs. Choudhary, Mrs. Majumdar, Mrs. Susmita Mukherjee, Mrs. Manideepa Raychaudhuri, Deputy IBDP Coordinator, Dr. Runa Ghosh Auddy, House Representatives, teachers, and peers.



The ceremony began with the auspicious lighting of the lamp, followed by motivational speeches from Mrs. Nayar and Mrs. Servaia. The programme was musically enriched by Grade 5 student Aishwarria Chamedia. The Captains, Vice-Captains, and Prefects marched smartly onto the stage to take their oaths and receive their badges.

School Captain, Evangeli Saha and Yellow House Captain, Tamanna Sen from the Senior School joined the newly badged Junior School team to motivate and encourage them.



The entire programme was live streamed for the learners of Grades Pre Nursery to Grade 3 who enjoyed watching it in their classrooms.

We wish the newly elected Junior School Student Council 2024-25 all the very best as they take small steps towards becoming good leaders and role models.





Open House

Calcutta International School (CIS) launched a new initiative, hosting an Open House for prospective parents of Primary and Junior School students. The event drew enthusiastic parents, eager to explore the school's curriculum and culture. Mrs. Sharmila Majumder, Primary Section Head, warmly welcomed the guests, introducing her team and setting the tone for an informative session.

A comprehensive PowerPoint presentation by Mrs. Mousumi Guha and Mrs. Sushmita Ray delved into the school's ethos, values, and academic approach, while Mrs. Mehrotra highlighted the diverse extracurricular activities available.

The parents' interest was palpable, as they posed numerous questions during the Q&A session, seeking to understand the CIS experience.

The event culminated in a guided tour of the school, where parents discovered the vibrant classrooms and activity rooms of the Junior School. As they departed, they exuded satisfaction and happiness, having gained valuable insights into the CIS community.





Parent Orientations

The Parents' Orientation programmes for Grades 2, 4 and 5 were conducted successfully on 3rd August, 2024. The parents were warmly welcomed and the new parents were introduced to the CIS fraternity by Mrs. Nayar. She then introduced the Class Teachers, who discussed the school rules and guidelines to be kept in mind for the next academic year. The subject teachers were introduced; the SEN and Counselling departments also spoke to the parents. At the end, the parents interacted with the teachers to clarify their doubts. We look forward to a fruitful and exciting year ahead.



GRADE 2

GRADE 4



GRADE 5





National Library Day

10th August, 2024 marked an important day in the CIS Calendar, as it witnessed the first ever commemoration of National Library Day in school. The occasion was celebrated with a day-long event organized by the Librarian Mrs Anuradha Ganguly, along with Assistant Librarian Atrayee Basu, together with student volunteers and Faculty members of the Library Committee in school.

The morning began with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by Guest of Honour, eminent author Deepak Dalal, along with Mrs Mayura Misra, owner StoryTeller, Mrs Ganguly, Ms Basu, Members of the library Committee, HOD English Preeti Roy Chowdhury and Faculty member Ayesha Begum. The audience comprised librarians from over 20 schools across the city.

The morning progressed with Mr. Dalal sharing a presentation on the importance of reading and how his books on Nature and adventure are a way of bridging the gap between children and Nature, caused by urban living. After a round of refreshments, there was a very interesting panel discussion moderated by Mrs. Misra, including authors Vishes Kothari, Dr Madhurima Vidyarthi and Lesley Biswas. The authors spoke about the motivation behind their books, the case for stocking libraries with all kinds of books specially by Indian authors not in separate shelves but together with all international authors and also why their books are not just for children but for adults too. The session was also enlivened with the authors reading some very interesting extracts from their works.

The day concluded with a hearty lunch for all delegates and an assurance that this day will be an annual feature on the school calendar.





Author visits at CIS

On the occasion of National Library Day, celebrated on the 12th of August, author visits were organized at CIS through a week for students across Upper Nursery to 5. These sessions provided students with the unique opportunity to engage with a diverse group of distinguished authors.

On the 7th of August, Dr. Madhurima Vidyarthi visited Grade 3 students followed by Mr. Deepak Dalal, who interacted with Grade 5 students. On the 8th of August, Ms. Lesley Biswas met with Grade 1 students while Mr. Harsho Mohan Chatteraj engaged with Grade 4 learners and Ms. Swati Khera with the pupils of Grade Upper Nursery. Finally, on the 9th of August, Richa Wahi visited Grade 2 students.

These author visits sparked a strong interest in reading among the students, with the interactive sessions proving to be highly effective in encouraging and guiding them towards a lifelong love of reading.



Grade Upper Nursery



Grade 1



Grade 2



Grade 3



Grade 4



Grade 5



India Day Assembly- Primary Section

"Freedom is like a kite—soaring high with the wind of courage and the string of unity!"

The Primary Section hosted their first assembly this session celebrating the 78th Independence Day on 14th August, 2024 in the Music Room. The Emcees Mrs. Guha and Mrs. Poddar extended a warm welcome to our Junior School Principal - Mrs. Nayar, Primary Section Head, Mrs. Majumdar, the teachers and the students. Mrs. Majumdar presented a special tricolour badge and a memento to welcome Mrs. Nayar to the programme.

The students of Grade Pre- Nursery ushered in the spirit of Independence through their song "Love My Country India." Grade Nursery A enchanted the audience by their dance performance on a medley of patriotic songs. Grade Nursery B danced gracefully on "Desh Rangila." Grade Upper Nursery A expressed their love and pride for the country by singing "Bharat Amar Bharat Barsha," a Bengali patriotic song that celebrates the beauty, heritage and the spirit of India. Grade Upper Nursery B captured the essence of gratitude and reverence for our country by singing "Dhano Dhanno Pushpo Bhora" melodiously.

Grade Pre Nursery



Grade Nursery A

Grade Nursery B





India Day Assembly

Grade Upper Nursery A



Grade Upper Nursery B



The Emcees interacted with the learners by conducting an age appropriate quiz at intervals, between each performance which encouraged them to share their awareness and understanding of the Nation. To resonate with the theme of patriotism and hope, the teachers and learners sang “Nanha Munna Rahi Hoon”. The programme concluded with the National Anthem and a vote of thanks by Mrs Nayar.





Two countries united by the same spirit of Freedom.

Students of Grade Pre-Nursery celebrated Independence Day, a special occasion shared by both India and Korea, on August 15th. The learners explored the rich culture of both nations through a series of engaging art and craft activities in the classroom. The board display was a reflection of the National symbols of both the countries along with the National Flags. This inclusive activity beautifully highlighted CIS's commitment to embrace and honour different cultures within our vibrant school community.

Grade Pre Nursery





Independence Day Assembly- Junior Section

Independence Day at CIS was particularly special this year, highlighting our commitment to an inclusive society where everyone has equal opportunities. To celebrate the special day, CIS invited students from Manovikas Kendra to join in the festivities.

Students of Grades 1 and 2 delivered a touching performance of dance, song, and skit, emphasizing patriotism and how we can each contribute to our country's progress. The event concluded with a vibrant "Jai Ho" dance by Grade 2, which was beautifully continued by the talented students from Manovikas Kendra.

The students from Manovikas Kendra also impressed with a speech on India's independence, a patriotic song, and a dance to "Nanna Munna Rahi Hoon," reinforcing the idea that the future of India lies in the hands of its children.

This interaction taught CIS students the essence of inclusiveness, helping them see that while these students may face extra challenges, they are just as capable of achieving amazing things.



Annual Swimming Meet

The Annual Swimming Meet at CIS, a much-anticipated event beloved by swimming enthusiasts, was held on Friday, 23rd August 2024, at The Calcutta Swimming Club after a spell of 4 years.

Ms. Amanda DuPratt, expertly compered the event, while the Sports Teachers, Mr. Abdul Samad and Mr. Kaushik Kumar Sinha, along with the Junior and Senior Principals, Section Heads, Academic Heads and other CIS teachers, managed it smoothly.

The youngest participants were the little boys and girls from Grades Pre Nursery, Nursery, and Upper Nursery, who confidently swam across the pool with support from the Seniors for safety, giving them an early taste of competitive swimming. Students from Grades Pre Nursery to Grade 1, as well as those in Group E from Grades 2 and 3 and Group D from Grades 4 and 5, competed in different events, including butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke, freestyle and freestyle relay.

The champions of Group E were Tristaan Jal Bulsara, Diya Singhvi and Aaira Jain. Devyansh Shah, Dhruv Patodia and Soraiya Singh were the champions of Group D.

Green House was the overall champion followed by Red House and Yellow House. It was a well-spent afternoon in and around the sparkling blue waters of the Club.



Grade Pre Nursery

- 1st Vihaan Dhaundiyal
- 2nd Joyanni Poddar
- 3rd Aarush Khemka

Grade Nursery

- 1st Aayuman Somani
- 2nd Aviraj Agarwal
- 3rd Ahaan Prashad





Annual Swimming Meet

Grade Upper Nursery



1st Angad Tewari
2nd Hrid Koley
3rd Kiyaan Jain



1st Ahaan Jalan
2nd Veer Agarwal
3rd Ayaan Poddar

Grade 1



1st Aaryan Jain
2nd Samarth Sarda
3rd Atharv Gupta



1st Vaavrit Raj Bhandar
2nd Aryaveer Prashad
3rd Darsh Bajaj



Annual Swimming Meet

Grades 2 and 3



1st Vian Agarwal
2nd Uraaz Ali Shah
3rd Arjav Goswami



1st Tristaan Jal Bulsara
2nd Ahaan Sanghvi
3rd Viaan Kedia Chowdhury



1st Vaani Agarwal
2nd Nyssa Khosla
3rd Arna Mehta



1st Diya Agarwal
2nd Anishka Musaddi
3rd Nyssa Khosla



1st Ahaan Sanghvi
2nd Viaan Kedia Chowdhury
3rd Neil Bagaria



Annual Swimming Meet

Grades 4 and 5



1st Shivdutti Jagan
2nd Tara Mazunder
3rd Medhaasi Ashwini Kaul



1st Arshiya Gupta
2nd Daanya Narsinghani
3rd Shivdutti Jagan



1st Aaryav Gujral
2nd Dhruv D. Patodia
3rd Shaswat Gupta



1st Devyansh Shah
2nd Advait Modi
3rd Arjun Bagaria



1st Devyansh Shah
2nd Dhruv D. Patodia
3rd Aaryav Gujral



Annual Swimming Meet



Group E Champion- Tristan
Jal BULSARA



Group E Champion- Aira
Jain and Diya Singhvi



Group D Champions - Devyansh
Shah and Dhruv D. Patodia



Group D Champion- Soraiya
Singh



Annual Swimming Meet



Overall Champion- Green House



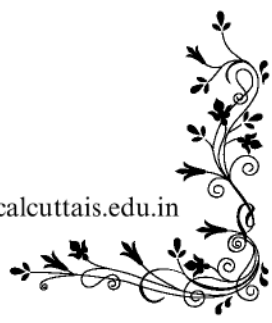
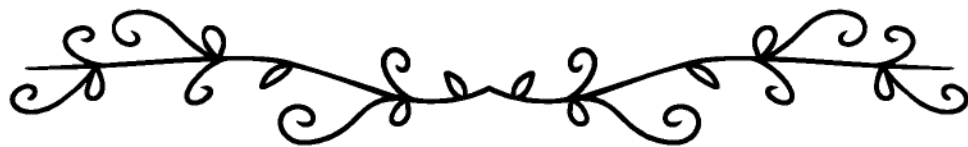
1st Runner Up- Red House



2nd Runner Up- Yellow House



Student Development Initiatives





Fostering Leadership Skills

Students of grades 3-5 attended a session on Leadership Skills with School Counsellors Mrs. Spriha Patronobis and Mrs. Sukonna Halder, on 29th July, 2024. The interactive session enabled students to identify leadership qualities that they value in their Role Models and how these qualities can also help students to assume various responsibilities in school. Hardworking, competent, problem solver, supportive, disciplined, multitasker, organized, calm, selfless, responsible, were some of the qualities mentioned by the students, among others. It was highlighted how leadership is not restricted only to the Student Council and that each student representing his/her class/house/school in any capacity is in a position to demonstrate leadership skills. Further, leadership also extends to each learner in their ability to adequately regulate themselves and collaborate with the student leaders for the school to function optimally.





Transitioning During Puberty

School counsellors Mrs. Sukonna Halder and Mrs. Spriha Patronobis conducted a session on 'Transitioning During Puberty' for the students of Grade 5. The session gave students the opportunity to explore some of the changes that adolescents experience during puberty and included information on body changes, periods/menstruation, mood swings and also how they can better manage their evolving independence, personal hygiene, understanding privacy and ways to manage their wellbeing. This also gave them an opportunity to share their concerns, and anxieties related to this as most of them are in the midst of their pubertal transitions. The session was conducted separately for the boys and girls so as to have more relatable discussions in a safe space, touching upon the changes the other gender may experience as well. This initiated the conversation about Puberty and is the beginning of a series of sessions on the topic to enable a well adjusted transition for all the students.

Grade 5





Scaling the Himalayas! - Mountaineering Workshop

The Humanities Department of the Junior School organized a special mountaineering session on August 14th, 2024 for the students of Grade 5. This initiative provided a unique opportunity for students to connect classroom learning with real-world experiences. The speaker for the event was Mr. Bansal, a parent of the Junior section.

He is an experienced climber who has extensively explored the Himalayas. The session, held in conjunction with the Geography curriculum, provided students with firsthand insights into the challenges and wonders of scaling the world's highest mountain range.

Mr Bansal captivated the audience with stories of his adventures, describing the breathtaking landscapes, the physical and mental endurance required, and the diverse cultures of the Himalayan region. His slideshow, featuring stunning images of snow-capped peaks and remote villages, brought the majesty of the Himalayas to life for our young learners.

The students were deeply engaged throughout the session, asking a variety of thoughtful questions. Some of the most intriguing ones included, "How do you prepare mentally for such a dangerous journey?" and "What is the scariest moment you've experienced while climbing?" One student asked, "How do the people living in the Himalayas adapt to such extreme conditions?" while another inquired, "Did you ever feel like giving up, and what kept you going?"

Mr Bansal answered each question with enthusiasm and patience, providing valuable lessons on resilience, cultural understanding, and the importance of setting goals. The session was not only educational but also inspiring, leaving our students with a greater appreciation for the natural world and the spirit of adventure.





Professional Development





Mind The Gap

Following the workshop "Mind the Gap!" conducted on June 21st, the attendee teachers conducted a sharing session on 2nd August, to disseminate their learnings and experiences with the entire teaching staff of Junior School. The session was engaging and informative, with teachers sharing practical strategies and innovative techniques to create a more inclusive classroom environment. The session was very well received and much appreciated.





Peace in the Classroom

On August 13, 2024, a sharing session was organized by Mrs. Tania Roy, Ms. Amanda DuPratt, Mrs. Shreyaa Dutta Gupta, and Ms. Tanbir Datta, based on a workshop they attended on April 19, 2024, titled "Ideas of Peace in the Classroom." The teachers discussed ways to incorporate peace in the classroom through various activities and audio-visuals, emphasizing how conflict can emerge even in seemingly peaceful situations. They highlighted the importance of teacher intervention in resolving these tensions and encouraged their colleagues to explore approaches to prevent conflict by adopting alternative perspectives. The session was insightful and offered valuable takeaways for all present





Awards And Accolades





Swami Vivekananda National Principals Award

Heartiest congratulations to Mrs. Pratima Nayar, Principal - Junior School, on receiving the prestigious Swami Vivekananda National Principals Award 2024!

The award ceremony at Taj City Centre, New Town, Kolkata, was a testament to her tireless efforts in shaping young minds and inspiring future generations. Her dedication to education and leadership has made a significant impact on our school community.



Loyalty Awards

On August 8, 2024, the CIS community gathered to honor and celebrate three exceptional educators who have significantly contributed to the school's legacy - Mrs. Sushmita Ray, Mr. Tathagata Mukherjee and Mrs. Urmita Das - the beloved teachers, marked their milestones of 20 and 10 years of dedicated service, respectively.

Such a special occasion called for a special celebration. Hence the teachers were requested to pen down their thoughts on their journey in CIS. Each one of them recorded their reflections based on their personal experiences in the institution.

1. What do the letters C..I..S mean to you?

To me CIS is my home, a place that I call my own – a place that motivates, inspires and ignites a sense of purpose and passion within me.

2. How has CIS shaped you as an educator?

When I first joined CIS, I was new to the world of education in a large school setting. Every step of the way has been a learning experience. I grew to be open minded in order to further develop my skills as a teacher. I've been entrusted with challenging tasks that have taught me to organize myself better and refine my abilities as an educator.

Most importantly, I learnt how to connect with people, most importantly with my students. When the ex students come back to school and look for me to meet me, that's when I know I have been able to make a little bit of a difference. Working at CIS continues to be a journey of learning and growth for me.

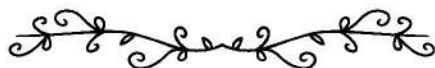
3. A fun fact or a fun experience you would like to share from your time in CIS.

When I joined CIS, it was a small school, but even then, it was remarkable to see how intimately the staff knew everyone—students, both past and present, by their first names. I was particularly impressed by a Dada, who is still a cherished part of

CIS. During breaks, he would diligently collect our mugs and glasses, expertly recalling each teacher's preferred beverage - whether it was tea, coffee, or juice. What struck me as remarkable was his unwavering accuracy, never once making a mistake despite the routine being repeated throughout the year. I watched his skill with sheer amazement.

4. Your reflections on how the school has progressed in the past 20 years/ 10 years.

Mrs. Sushmita Ray - In my 20 years, CIS has evolved from a bungalow to a four storeyed building with many more students. While the atmosphere and learning process has transformed into a more organised system over the years, what has remained is the deep connect and the bond between the teachers – students and parents.



1. What do the letters C..I..S mean to you?

I interpret the letters C.I.S as Celebration In School as I feel we celebrate TEACHING and LEARNING rather than just another job.

2. How has CIS shaped you as an educator?

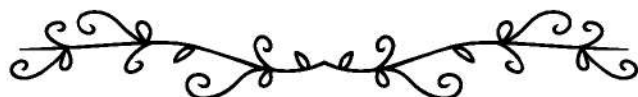
CIS has taught me how to bring out the best in every student even if it is a challenging to do so under difficult circumstances.

3. A fun fact or a fun experience you would like to share from your time in CIS.

The dance during holi celebrations by the teachers.

4. Your reflections on how the school has progressed in the past 20 years/ 10 years.

In the last 10 years the school has paid attention to the development of Infrastructure, Curriculum, Integration of technology in teaching and implementation of policies regarding safety, health and improvement of work relationship between employees and the management.





Loyalty Awards

1. What do the letters C..I..S mean to you?

The one word I have always associated with CIS is 'home'. I still remember the day I came for my interview, walking through the pathway surrounded by trees, it felt calm and peaceful. A home is nothing without the people living in it. CIS is CIS because of the wonderful family of people I met here who accepted and welcomed me from day one. There was a unique sense of belongingness that I cannot express in words. I am happy to say that after a decade-long association with CIS the feeling has only grown stronger.

2. How has CIS shaped you as an educator?

The experience of working or rather learning in CIS has been quite exhilarating. There was never a dull moment! The school gave opportunities to challenge myself beyond my imagination, I have discovered so many different aspects to my personality and extended my capabilities as an educator over the years. My journey has just begun. I am excited to adapt to new roles, to face new challenges and further develop my skills as a teacher. Today, I am a more confident, capable educator than what I was before.

3. A fun fact or a fun experience you would like to share from your time in CIS.

CIS is known to sport a vibrant, friendly and accepting environment founded on the principles of respect and understanding. Needless to say, I was in complete awe trying to absorb the unique blend of diverse interests and practices observed all across the school. The most fun experience would probably be participating in the basketball game with the students on Teacher's Day. It was the first time I was playing basketball and on Teacher's Day! This was a new experience after working in various other schools, where days like these were observed differently. The variety of shows organised by the students to show their affection to the teachers, remains etched in my memory.

4. Your reflections on how the school has progressed in the past 20 years/ 10 years.

The school reflects a progressive mindset, constantly striving to reimage and reinvent itself with changing times and its needs. However, the core values and practices like compassion, inclusivity, respectfulness that forms the ethos of the school remain unchanged. It is these ideals that have enabled our students not only to become successful professionals but also empathetic human beings. I sincerely hope and wish to continue on this path and move towards a glorious future. As the saying goes, Why blend in when we were meant to stand out!





The Telegraph Awards

"Believe you can and you're halfway there." - Theodore Roosevelt

On August 10th 2024, the Telegraph Awards organized a prestigious award ceremony at South City International School, recognizing excellence in the various fields of education. Calcutta International School shone bright, receiving accolades in multiple categories.

CIS was honored with:

- Honour Certificate for Excellence in Maintenance and Eco-friendly Initiatives, acknowledging its commitment to sustainability and environmental consciousness.
- Honour Certificate for Excellence in Extracurricular Activities, celebrating its vibrant programs that foster student creativity and talent.
- Honour Certificate for Social Service, recognizing its dedication to community service and social responsibility.

The awards were graciously received by Mrs. Sukanya Singhal, Mrs. Tinku Yadav, Mrs. Shweta Mazumder, and Mrs. Bhavna Sarawgee from the Junior School, who represented the school with pride.

This achievement is a testament to the school's tireless efforts in providing a holistic education and nurturing responsible citizens.





Students' Achievements

Arna Mehta, student in Grade 3, achieved a remarkable feat by securing the 1st position in the kyokushin Karate fight at the Indian National Combat Sports Federation 3rd Captains Cup. Representing team Mike's Martial Arts, Arna displayed exceptional skills and sportsmanship, making her school and instructors proud.

Arna Mehta



Dhruv D Patodia of Class 4B took part in the Bengal Junior Classic 2024 at Fort Williams and he was placed 2nd in his category.

Dhruv D. Patodia





Corrigendum

In last month's issue of Herald there was an error. Mrs. Baisakhi Sarkar's name was listed as a recipient of the Certificate of Recognition. The actual recipient was Mrs. Sukanya Singhal.

We apologize for the error and congratulate Mrs. Singhal on her achievement.



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