



**BUNTS SANGHA'S
S M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL & JUNIOR COLLEGE**

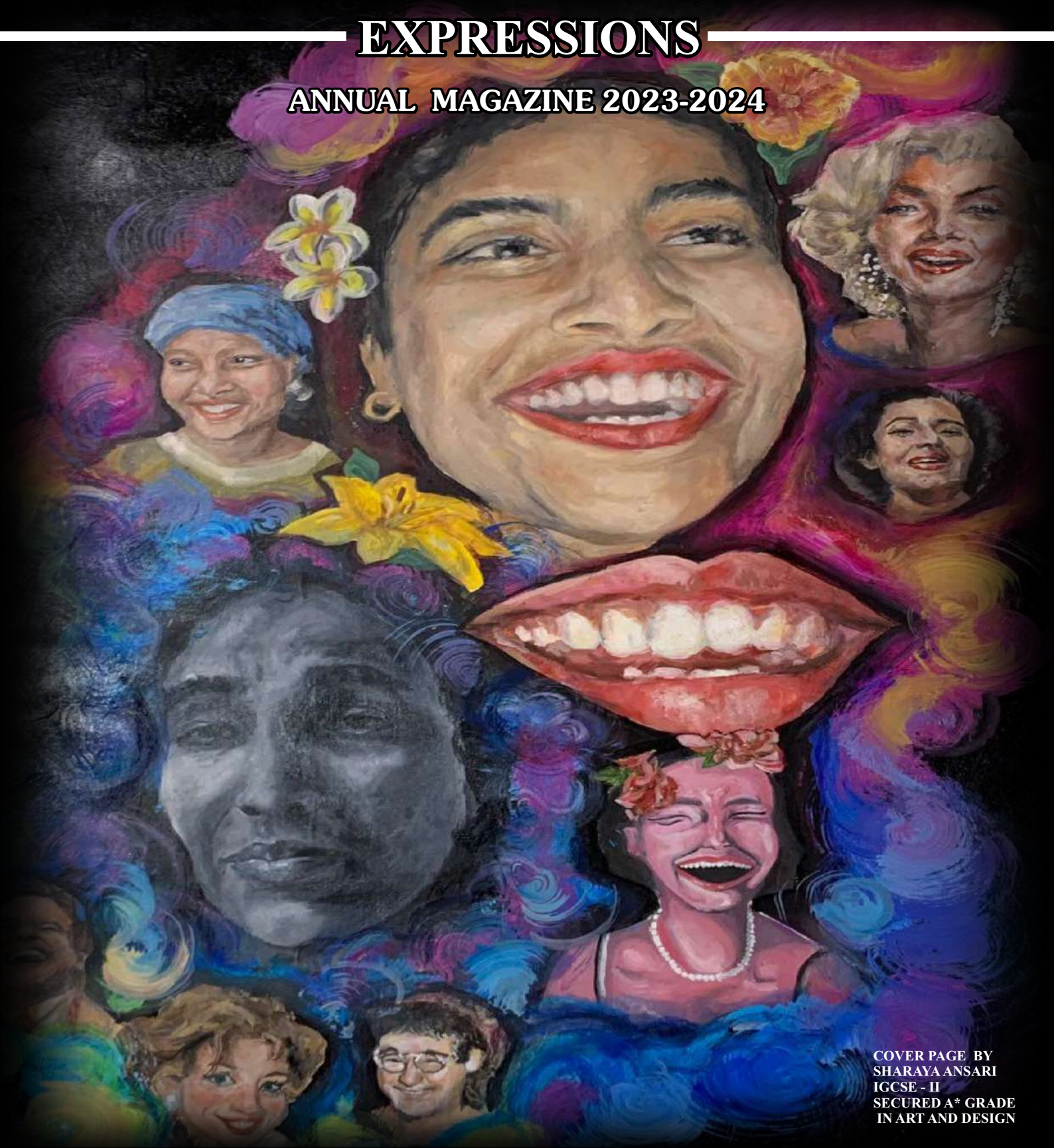
AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE - IN686

ISO 21001 : 2018 CERTIFIED

EXPRESSIONS

ANNUAL MAGAZINE 2023-2024



**COVER PAGE BY
SHARAYA ANSARI
IGCSE - II
SECURED A* GRADE
IN ART AND DESIGN**

Index

Mission and Vision of school

Governance

President's Message

Message from the Secretary

From the Principal's Desk

The Leadership Team

Whole School Events

Moments of Glory

Student Council

Academic Toppers

Excellence @ SMSISJC

Bringing Laurels

High Achievement

Life at SMSISJC

Collaborations and Internationalism

Clubs and New Initiatives

CAS Initiatives

The Career lab

Glimpse into IEYC

Artist's Gallery

Gratitude to Donors

“Mission and Vision”

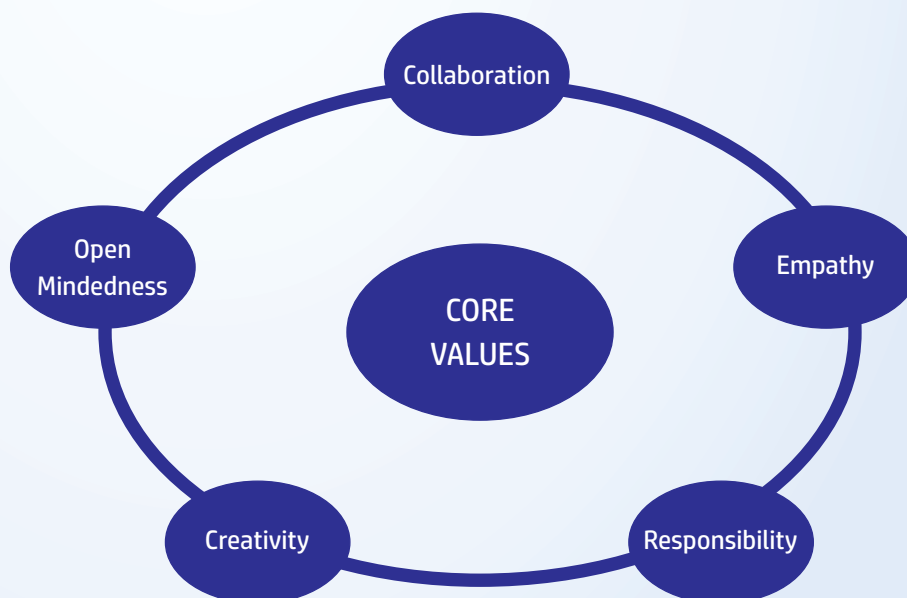
Our Vision

Inspiring Learners to become
Confident, Knowledgeable,
Open Minded and Responsible
global Citizens.

Mission

Through quality teaching in a learner centric environment BSSMSISJ aims to:

- Relate classroom learning to real life experiences.
- Inculcate innovative thinking through challenging situations.
- Provide multiple platforms to exhibit intrinsic talent.
- Offer international exposure through collaborative projects.
- Inculcate the values of personal and collective wellbeing.
- Foster a sense of curiosity among our students.
- Encourage students to respect diversity and peaceful co-existence



BUNTS SANGHA'S POWAI EDUCATION COMMITTEE

OFFICE BEARERS



Praveen Bhoja Shetty
President



Ratnakar Shetty Mundkur
Chairman



Vasant N. Shetty Palimar
Vice-Chairman



CA Harish D Shetty
Vice-Chairman



Gautam S. Shetty
Secretary



CA Ashok R. Shetty
Treasurer

MEMBERS



Mahesh S. Shetty



Dr. R. K. Shetty



CA Ramesh B. Shetty



Vivek B Shetty



CA Shankar B Shetty



B R Shetty



Harish Vasu Shetty



Ravindranath Bhandary



Rajendra S Shetty



Appanna Shetty



Dr. Harish Shetty



Nishit Shetty



Bharat Shetty



Dr. Chintan Hegde



Dr. Vijeytha Shetty



Ashok Adyanthaya



Ravindra R Shetty



Ashok Shetty



Adv. R. G. Shetty

MAJOR DONOR REPRESENTATIVES



Vaishali Shetty Oza



Pooja Shetty

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty Educational Institutions have emerged as one of the finest educational institutions in Mumbai catering to the needs of students as young as tiny tots to the grownup professionals, fulfilling the motive of dealing with students from KG to PG to PhD. In addition to offering the future of our country with meritorious academic skills, we also impart skills that assure a well-rounded development for the students that help them to succeed in their fields of interests. As President of Bunts Sangha, Mumbai, I feel proud to be associated with such an illustrious institution.

Bunts Sangha, Mumbai – the parent body, envisions to contribute towards education as we believe that the best form of expressing gratitude towards our society is by giving back to the society through education. The endeavor started with Powai by establishing Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty Educational Institutions in 1998. Bunts Sangha's Higher Education Institutions came to existence at Kurla in 2008. This year we commenced our highly enthusiastic school projects at IC Colony Borivali where we have created the best in class infrastructure conducive to catering to the needs of an International as well as a CBSE School. The sole purpose of growth of educational institutions is to reach out to the students who deserve to get quality education.

Coming back to the annual e- magazine “**Expressions**”, it is a wonderful platform for the students and the teachers to express their creative side that has been developed through hard work with innovative thoughts and authentic ideas. It's a testimony of our passion towards our institution and our affection towards our work. I appreciate and congratulate the entire editorial team for their continuous hard work and commitment which has resulted in the publication of the e-magazine. I am sure that the readers will enjoy reading the content of the magazine.

Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty Educational Institutions have been striving hard to achieve excellence. I extend my warm wishes to the Chairman, Office Bearers and Members of Powai Education Committee, Institutional Heads, Staff, Students and Parents and trust they will continue this great journey on the path of excellence.

Praveen Bhoja Shetty
President
Bunts Sangha, Mumbai

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN



Dear Students, Teachers, Staff, Parents, and well-wishers, I feel humbled and privileged to address the readers of our very own annual e- magazine “**Expressions**”, as the Chairman of Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty Educational Institutions. It has been an incredible journey of learning and development. I feel a strong sense of joy and accomplishment with the fabulous academic results, cultural and co-curricular achievements, laurels in sports and numerous accreditations, certifications and acknowledgements that our Institution holds today. This is purely a result of the combined efforts and unwavering commitment of each and every individual associated with our institution- Management, Staff, Students, Parents and the Society.

It is indeed overwhelming to see the exponential growth of our educational institutions over the years. From humble beginnings, our institution has grown and flourished, nurturing generations of bright minds and fostering a spirit of excellence in education. With a vision of 'Personality Development for Nation Building', our institutions are committed to providing holistic education, nurturing young minds to become responsible global citizens. We as an institution aspire to harbor great minds and greater leaders who would be instrumental in leading our nation to its full potential. Over the years, we have strived to uphold this vision, continually adapting and evolving to meet the changing needs of our students and the world around us.

What we are today is a result of the hard work put in by our leadership teams and teachers. Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty Educational Institutions play an important role in training the teachers so that they could instill a growth mindset in their students and help them unlock their true potential. All the institutions conduct a range of events that help our students find their voice, follow it with passion and be get skilled to represent the global community. As a result of this, our students have achieved success in academic endeavors, sports, the arts, and numerous extracurricular activities. We have seen young minds undergo transformations when the virtues of integrity, empathy, and resiliency are instilled in them. We have seen the connections made within these walls, forging a solid sense of belonging.

I want to sincerely thank the visionary administrators, passionate faculty, and hardworking staff who have worked relentlessly to make our educational institutions what they are today. For entrusting us with their children's education and welfare, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the parents and guardians. Moreover, I want to recognize and congratulate the students whose dedication, ability, and passion have catalyzed for our success.

Let us carry forward the legacy of excellence, innovation, and compassion that has defined our institution. Let us continue to embrace new challenges, adapt to changing times, and strive for continuous improvement. Remember we are here to shape a brighter future, not just for our institutions, but for society as a whole.

With sincere gratitude,

Ratnakar Shetty Mundkur

Chairman, Powai Education Committee

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



As we reflect on the past year, we proudly celebrate our school community's remarkable achievements and look forward to the future with optimism. This year, our students earned global recognition, our sports teams secured numerous victories, and our co-curricular activities flourished, fostering creativity, innovation, and leadership.

We prioritize diversity and inclusion, understanding that an inclusive environment enriches everyone's educational experience. Cultural exchange opportunities, global dialogues, and inclusive curriculum developments ensure that every student feels valued and empowered. Strong partnerships with local organizations and families create a supportive network that enhances educational outcomes. Community events and collaborative projects strengthen our ties and enrich the learning experience.

Family engagement has been pivotal in driving our success. We are grateful for the active participation of parents and guardians in school activities, parent-teacher associations, and volunteer opportunities. Their involvement not only supports their children's academic growth but also fosters a deeper sense of community and collaboration.

Technology has transformed our educational practices. Digital resources facilitate interactive and personalized learning experiences, preparing students for a digitally literate future. Comprehensive support systems, including counselling services and wellness programs, ensure every student can thrive both academically and personally.

Our dedicated teachers are the backbone of our school. Their innovative teaching practices and commitment to professional development enhance education quality and inspire our students. Our alumni have achieved remarkable success, illustrating the lasting impact of our education. Their accomplishments inspire current students and demonstrate the limitless possibilities ahead.

We have made significant strides in sustainability, from reducing waste to promoting energy efficiency, instilling environmental responsibility in our students.

This year has underscored the importance of adaptability and resilience. The challenges we've navigated have strengthened our resolve and prepared us for future uncertainties. Central to our mission is the development of character and values. We emphasize integrity, empathy, and responsibility, nurturing compassionate and principled individuals.

As we look to the future, we remain committed to excellence and continuous improvement. Do enjoy leafing through Expressions and discover how we remain committed to excellence and to empowering the next generation of leaders.

Dr Mildred Lobo
Principal

VICE - PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Student Leadership and Empowerment: Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders Today

At the heart of our educational ethos is a firm belief in the power of student leadership and empowerment. Leadership is not about titles or positions; it is about actions and examples. By fostering leadership qualities in our students, we prepare them not just for future careers but for active and thoughtful participation in society.

Student leadership opportunities at our school are designed to encourage responsibility, confidence, and resilience. Through various initiatives, students learn to set goals, work in teams, resolve conflicts, and manage projects from inception to completion. These experiences are invaluable as they prepare students for real-world challenges.

Our Student Council consists of elected representatives from various grades within the school. Elections are held annually, emphasizing the democratic process and giving students a firsthand experience in electoral campaigns, voting, and representation.

The MUNspire conference is a simulation of the United Nations that aims to educate participants about civics, effective communication, globalization, and multilateral diplomacy. In MUN, students take on roles as diplomats and participate in a simulated session of an intergovernmental organization (like the UN). Research skills are developed as they formulate political positions based on the actual policies of the countries they represent. The School MUN team organizes an Internal MUN for the school students as preparatory stage before the External MUN event.

Debate Club, Stem Club, Speech and Drama, Assemblies, Climate Quest, Community Service are some of the initiatives that provide platforms for student empowerment. By participating in these bodies, students gain a voice in school affairs. They learn to advocate for themselves and their peers, influencing everything from school policies to the planning of events.

The impact of empowering students is profound. Empowered students are more engaged, perform better academically, and have higher self-esteem. They are also better equipped to handle the pressures and responsibilities that come with higher education and adult life.

At Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International school and Junior College, we continue to cultivate an environment that fosters student leadership and empowerment, we invite all stakeholders—students, teachers, and parents—to support these efforts.

Let us commit to empowering our students with the skills, confidence, and moral grounding to lead not just within the confines of our school, but in their future communities and beyond.

Mr. Snehal Bhortake

Vice Principal,
SMSISJC

“Message from the Leadership Team”



Ms. Tahira Pasha –
IBDP Coordinator

Message from the IB Diploma Programme Coordinator

Welcome to Bunts Sangha's SM Shetty International School & Jr College, an IB World School in Mumbai, India! At Bunts Sangha's SM Shetty International School, we are proud to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP), a prestigious two-year journey recognized globally for its excellence. As the IB Coordinator, I am excited to share how our program challenges students academically while supporting their holistic development, ensuring they become well-rounded, critical thinkers ready to take on the world.

Our Commitment to Excellence : Our recent IB exam inspection stands as a testament to the integrity and high standards with which we conduct our exams, earning commendation from IB officials. This achievement reflects our unwavering commitment to upholding the principles and rigorous standards of the IB.

The Heart of the IBDP at our school

1. **Inquiry-Based Learning:** Our DP faculty integrates an inquiry cycle into unit plans, transforming information into in-depth knowledge. This approach encourages students to take action and responsibility for their learning.
2. **Collaborative Learning Environment:** We foster a collaborative atmosphere where students share their insights and learn from one another. This environment empowers students to have a voice and make choices, particularly when selecting topics for Internal Assessments (IAs), Extended Essays, Theory of Knowledge (TOK) tasks, and Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) projects.
3. **Experiential Learning:** We offer experiential learning opportunities, including use of sensors to collect data, connecting students to research or subject experts, subject-specific educational trips, and grade-level retreats. These experiences reinforce classroom concepts and broaden students' perspectives.
4. **Expert Faculty and Resources:** Our teachers are IB moderators, examiners, and workshop leaders, demonstrating our deep understanding of IB assessment practices and commitment to maintaining IB standards. Our laboratories are equipped with high-quality sensors and excellent resources to facilitate teaching and learning.

Join Us on This Transformative Journey : The IBDP curriculum is designed for students who are passionate about learning, eager to explore, and ready to be challenged. Through a rigorous curriculum, our students develop essential skills such as time management, work ethic, writing proficiency, and critical thinking.

Successful learners possess a range of attributes that not only facilitate academic achievement but also contribute to their overall personal development. The attributes like Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Independent Learning, Research and Inquiry, Communication, Resilience and Perseverance etc. nurtured through the Cambridge A Level program, are essential for thriving in both academic and professional spheres. By cultivating these attributes, learners are better equipped to face the demands of higher education and future careers. They become well-rounded individuals capable of critical thinking, effective communication, and independent learning, with a strong sense of global awareness and resilience. These qualities not only contribute to their academic success but also prepare them to make meaningful contributions to society.

As the A Level coordinator, I encourage you, students, to stay curious and engaged. Don't hesitate to ask questions, seek help when needed, and support each other. Our learning environment thrives on collaboration and mutual respect, so let's continue to foster a community where everyone feels valued and motivated. Let's make this year a remarkable one filled with achievements, growth, and memorable experiences. Together, we can overcome any challenge and celebrate our success.

Wishing you all the best in your studies and beyond!



Ms. Sonali Narain –
A Level Coordinator & Exam Officer

“Message from the Leadership Team”

Embracing Culture and Values: The Cornerstones of a Student's Journey

In the mosaic of a student's educational journey, amidst the academics, extracurricular activities, and friendships, lies a crucial yet often overlooked foundation: culture and values. These intangible elements shape not only the individual but also the entire community, influencing perspectives, behaviours, and aspirations.

Culture, in its rich diversity, encompasses traditions, languages, and customs that define a community's identity. It serves as a reservoir of collective wisdom, passed down through generations, grounding students in a sense of belonging and heritage. When students engage with their cultural roots, whether through celebrations, language studies, or historical explorations, they forge a deeper connection to their own identity and the world around them.

Values, on the other hand, are the guiding principles that navigate students through life's complexities. Integrity, empathy, respect, and resilience are not mere words but virtues instilled through daily interactions, modelled by parents and teachers and reinforced by peers. These values serve as ethical compasses, steering students towards responsible decision-making, fostering inclusive relationships, and nurturing a positive school climate.

Culture and values are not peripheral to education but intrinsic to shaping well-rounded individuals. As educators and parents, our role extends beyond imparting knowledge; we are custodians of culture and values. Let's encourage our children to speak their mother tongue and appreciate our rich and culture and heritage. Together, let us continue to champion the transformative power of culture and values in shaping the minds, hearts, and futures of our students.

At Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Jr College, we acknowledge this and integrate value based education with our curriculum to build not just scholars, but compassionate citizens prepared to contribute meaningfully to a global society.



Ms. Neetha Shetty Das
IGCSE Coordinator



Mr. Gurvinder Singh
Checkpoint Coordinator

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."

— William Butler Yeats

This quote by W.B. Yeats captures the essence of the transformative role educational leaders play in inspiring and igniting the passion for learning among students and teachers. In today's fast-paced educational environment, the role of the coordinator has evolved to become a cornerstone of academic success. As your coordinator, I am committed to bridging the gap between administration and the classroom, ensuring that your learning experience is both enriching and effective. We work closely with teachers to develop innovative curricula that meet the diverse needs of our student body. This involves fostering a collaborative atmosphere, staying updated with the latest teaching methodologies and technologies and imparting knowledge.

Our role also includes enhancing student support systems, ensuring that each one of you receives the necessary resources to thrive academically and personally. Our methodologies are designed in

a manner to improve the educational outcomes and making informed decisions that benefit the entire school community. The lessons and activities are carefully curated and tailored to meet the individual differences of the students.

Furthermore, we are dedicated to promoting equity in education, advocating for policies and practices that provide every student with the opportunity to succeed. By creating an inclusive and supportive environment, we help cultivate a culture of excellence and continuous improvement.

Together, let's embrace the evolving educational landscape and strive for success in every aspect of our journey.

“Message from the Leadership Team”



Ms. Nilambari Kolwalkar
Cambridge Primary Coordinator

Navigating the Digital World Safely and Effectively

In today's technologically advanced world, students must possess digital literacy. It ensures that technology is used responsibly by transferring the skills and information needed to navigate the digital landscape safely and effectively. The following advice will help you become more digitally literate: When sharing personal information online, exercise caution. Be wary of dubious emails and messages that request personal information. Avoid clicking on odd links and be aware of phishing attempts. Utilize reputable antivirus software, update your software, and avoid downloading from questionable websites. Before trusting information, make sure it is legitimate by visiting websites and other sources.

Look for reputable authors and organizations. Perform cross-referencing on data from many sources to confirm accuracy. Understand that misinformation can spread on social media. Participate in productive conversations and exchange useful knowledge via digital platforms. Having a basic understanding of coding enhances one's ability to solve problems and comprehend digital platforms. Cut back on screen time to prevent digital burnout. Establish designated periods for using your devices and take frequent breaks. Strike a balance between your online and offline interests, such as hobbies and in-person contacts. These pointers will help students navigate the internet world more skillfully and ethically, improving their education and developing them into knowledgeable digital citizens.

"Diversity is the one true thing we all have in common. Celebrate it every day."

Primary education serves as a foundational stage where young minds begin to grasp the complexities of the world around them. From Grade 1 through Grade 3, children are forming their identities and perceptions of the world. It's crucial that classrooms reflect and celebrate the diversity among students.

Diversity encompasses not only differences in race, ethnicity, and culture but also variations in abilities, interests, and learning styles. By embracing diversity, educators create an inclusive environment where every child feels valued and respected. This inclusivity strengthens social bonds and cultivates empathy among students.

Teachers play a pivotal role in promoting diversity by incorporating diverse perspectives into the curriculum, selecting literature and materials that reflect different cultures and backgrounds, and facilitating discussions that encourage mutual understanding and respect.

Moreover, celebrating diversity goes beyond the classroom walls. It involves engaging families and communities in cultural exchanges and celebrations that enrich the educational experience of all students. Through collaborative efforts, educators can cultivate a learning environment where diversity is not only acknowledged but celebrated as a source of strength and enrichment.

By embracing diversity and fostering inclusion in primary classrooms, we empower our students to become compassionate global citizens who appreciate the richness of human experience.



Ms. Raksha Shetty
Cambridge Primary Coordinator

“Message from the Leadership Team”

Embracing Connected Learning: A Pathway to Holistic Education

As an IEYC coordinator, I've seen how connected learning transforms education. This approach integrates children's interests, peer relationships, and academic learning to create a holistic and engaging experience.

Imagine a classroom where a child's fascination with dinosaurs or art drives their learning journey. Educators leverage these passions to make learning relevant and enjoyable, sparking curiosity and motivation.

Peer relationships are pivotal. Through group activities and cooperative play, children develop teamwork, communication, and empathy. These interactions enhance academic growth and social skills, essential in today's interconnected world.

Connected learning ensures academic excellence by weaving subjects like math, science, and literacy into real-life scenarios. Hands-on activities help children build a solid knowledge base and essential skills through exploration and practice.

This approach recognizes that knowledge, skills, and understanding are interconnected. Children not only learn facts but also develop the critical thinking and adaptability needed for the future.

By embracing connected learning, educators prepare children for lifelong success and personal growth. This philosophy celebrates each child's unique journey and equips them to thrive in an interconnected global community.



Ms. Margaret Paul –
IEYC Coordinator

OUR STUDENT COUNCIL

Afternoon



Janay Mukherjee
Junior Head Boy



Prisha Sood
Junior Head Girl

Sports Captain



Riaan Mathur
Junior Sports Captain

Morning



Aarav Iyer - Head Boy



Megan Salian - Head Girl



Varun Srivastava
Junior Head Boy



Prarthana Thayyil
Junior Head Girl

Sports Captain



Ahaan Tiwari
Sports Captain



Yuven Kothari
Junior Sports Captain



Mihika Vijay
House Captain



Siddid Shimpi
Deputy House Captain

Autumn House

Summer House



Siddhi Sachin
House Captain



Maira Shaikh
Deputy House Captain

Spring House



Trisha Shetty
House Captain



Aashi Mahatre
Deputy House Captain

Winter House



Praniti Deshmane
House Captain



Ira Kale
Deputy House Captain



“ Moments of Glory ”

“Bunts Sangha’s SM Shetty International School and Junior College proudly received the ‘Sustainable Schools Award’ at the Cambridge Schools Conclave in Goa, held on February 15-16, 2024. As part of the esteemed Cambridge School Recognition Awards, this honor highlights exceptional South Asian Schools committed to sustainability. Our school stands out for fostering eco-conscious practices and instilling green values in our students, shaping the future of environmental stewardship. #SustainableSchools #GreenEducation #CambridgeSchoolsConclave #EcoFriendlyLearning #SMSShettyInternational #powai #hiranandani #hiranandaniestate #ibboard #jiiiniimarketing”



Inspiring students to write their own future

Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Junior College is acknowledged as one of the leading schools in the city state and across the country.

Founded by the enterprising Bunts Community and nurtured by dynamic leaders in the field of education today, it houses more than 1000 students in its sixteenth year of operation.

With a vision of inspiring learners to become confident, knowledgeable, open minded and responsible global citizens, the school has been actively striving to pursue excellence.

A premier international school, it offers the International Early Years Curriculum (IEYC) from International Curriculum Association (ICA) UK at Kindergarten Years, Cambridge Curriculum from Grades 1 to 12 and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme for Grades 11 and 12.

The school has been achieving accolades in diverse fields of academics, sports and co-curricular activities. Melanie Rodrigues has achieved the Cambridge Outstanding Learning Award, Top in the World for GCSE



Mathematics. The school has received the prestigious IMC Ramkrishna Bajaj National Quality Award for Performance Excellence in Education Category in the year 2021 and 2022.

The school stands out as a beacon of innovative teaching methodologies. By embracing the IEYC curriculum, it is shaping the future by nurturing inquisitive minds and preparing students not just for exams but for the challenges and opportunities that await them in an ever-evolving world. It allows the creation of an environment where students actively engage with the world, ask questions and develop critical thinking skills. The IEYC curriculum serves as a foundation for instilling values, fostering empathy and nurturing a sense of responsibility towards the broader community.

To promote holistic development, yoga, meditation, sports, music, art and dance are embedded in the daily routine. Strong values are instilled among students through the kindness curriculum which ensures that children learn social and emotional skills to build resilience and well-being in their lives as they face trends and challenges. The school undertakes several green initiatives to promote sustainable development and children actively participate in the Global Climate Action Project. International Exposure is provided to students through programs like The Travelling Mantra.



The school actively promotes family engagement through diverse activities such as Mother Language Day, Child Health Day, Helpmates Day, Grandparents Day, Flying Day and Pet Day. These events create a strong sense of community, fostering meaningful connections between families and the school.

A firm believer of equity and inclusive education, the school has a full-fledged counseling center and regular sessions on life skills are conducted for all students and teachers. The school has a Professional Learning Network wherein teachers conduct workshops, learning cycles and action research. Teachers are examiners and trainers for organizations at National and International level. The school also offers Cambridge Professional Development Qualification in teaching and learning for teachers.

Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Junior College is a school which truly believes in making a difference and creating a meaningful impact in Education.

For further enquiry/admission contact:
Phone: 022-81237949/69
mail: info@buntsangha.com
Address: Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Junior College, An IB World Hiranandani Gardens, Powai, Mumbai.
Visit Timings - Monday to Saturday - 10.30 am to 1.00 pm

Times Survey Pre -School Award

It brings us immense joy and pride to share the exciting news that the IEYC section of SMSISJC has clinched an outstanding 3rd rank in the prestigious Times Pre-school Survey 2024, specifically in the K-12 Schools, International Curriculum category. Our heartfelt congratulations extend to each member of the SMSISJC family, whose unwavering efforts and dedication have contributed to this remarkable achievement. A special note of gratitude to the Management for their steadfast guidance and unwavering support. We express sincere appreciation to the parents for their invaluable cooperation and assistance. This success is truly a collective triumph, and we celebrate it with great enthusiasm!

K-12 SCHOOLS, INTERNATIONAL CURRICULUM	
Name	Rank
SIS Prep, Worli	1
Nahar International School, Andheri East	2
Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School & Junior College, Powai	3
D Y Patil International School, Worli	4
Spring Buds International Preschool, Oshiwara	5

(Schools offering IBDP (International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme) PYP (The Primary Years Programme, CAIE (Cambridge Assessment International Education)- Cambridge Early Years Programme, Cambridge Primary, Cambridge Secondary and A-Levels)

Awards and Accolades

Our School has won the Gold Level Award in School Enterprise Challenge during the academic year 2023-2024.



The school's Team Green won the **Green Championship Trophy** for Mumbai, recognized for their commitment to the SHARP program with Schneider Electric Foundation. Notably, Class V to VII students were awarded 'Best Green Practices School' in the 'Conserve My Planet' program for 2024. The school also received two prizes for Green Teacher Coordinators, five School Green Ambassador Certificates, and nine special awards, including the Energy Star School Award and Best Green Practices Award.

Awards and Accolades

Principal **Dr. Mildred Lobo** has been awarded The Best District Principal 2022-23 by Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF). We are also thrilled to announce a remarkable achievement within our community that exemplifies dedication, research excellence, and a profound impact on education at the middle school level. Dr. Mildred Lobo, our principal, has been awarded her Ph.D. for her groundbreaking thesis titled 'A Critical Appraisal of the Development of Kindness Attributes through Collaborative Activities at Middle School Level in the 21st Century.'

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Mildred Lobo. Her dedication, intellectual rigour, and passion for enhancing educational practices inspire us all.



Recognition and Felicitation by Rotary Club of Bombay Powai.

Rotary Club of Bombay Powai felicitated our meritorious students from IGCSE, A Level and IB. Teachers who contributed to the success of the school and children were also felicitated. It was a wonderful culmination for the previous academic year. **Ms. Ranjeet Kaur** and **Ms. Anukthi Poojari** were felicitated with a trophy and a room full of applause for their efforts which ensured students not only achieved their potential but went beyond.

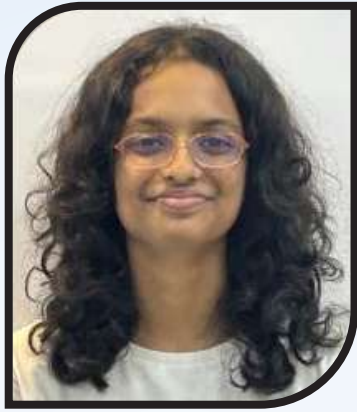
Melanie Rodrigues(96.14%) and Piyush Gurbani(94.66%) from IGCSE were felicitated.

Aarush Bathula(40 points) , Rujul Sachdev (40 points), Niharika Swain (38 points) and Anika Rajvanshi (38 points) from IBDP were felicitated for their brilliant performance.

Ashwika Sangle, Indraneel Upadhye, Shresht Prasad, Advik Arora, Shawna Mascarenhas and Honeyika Hariani from A Level were felicitated.

RESULTS

Cambridge Outstanding Learner Awards



Melanie Rodrigues
has been awarded the "Top in World"
award in Mathematics
for the Cambridge IGCSE examinations
in March 2023.



Om Vedant Chimmaldgi
of Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School
has been awarded the "High Achievement"
award in German Language for
the Cambridge International As Level examinations



Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award!
Melanie Rodrigues currently studying in our A
Level programme has won the "**TOP IN THE
WORLD**" AWARD for Mathematics in the
Cambridge **IGCSE** Examinations March - 2023



Om Vedant Chimmalgi won the "**HIGH
ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**"
in the German Language for Cambridge
International **AS** Level Examination -
November 2022

RESULTS



BUNTS SANGHA'S
S M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
& JUNIOR COLLEGE

Congratulations
**SHRISH
SHETTY**
7A* IN 7 SUBJECTS

94.43%

**IGCSE 2023-24
ACHIEVERS**



BUNTS SANGHA'S
S M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
& JUNIOR COLLEGE

Congratulations
**SNATRA
BHIMANI**
6A* IN 6 SUBJECTS

95.17%

**IGCSE 2023-24
TOPPER**



BUNTS SANGHA'S
S M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
& JUNIOR COLLEGE

 SHRISH SHETTY 94.43%	 SNATRA BHIMANI 95.17%	 SANSKAR NAGRAL 92.33%
 ARNAV KULKARNI 92.14%	 SOUMALYA GOSH 92.29%	 AKSHITA SHIRUDE 91.57%
 KIRANMAYEE LADE 91.13%	 NISCHIT SHETTY 91.14%	 YASHVI MEHTA 90.33%

**IGCSE
2023-24**

Congratulations
ACHIEVERS



BUNTS SANGHA'S
S M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
& JUNIOR COLLEGE

Congratulations
**SANSKAR
NAGRAL**
5A* AND 1A

92.33%

**IGCSE 2023-24
ACHIEVERS**

Cambridge Primary Checkpoint Toppers



Riaan Mathur

50/50 in English, Mathematics and Science



Ayeshakhan Pathan

50/50 in English and Science



Mitansh Dohare

50/50 in Mathematics & Science



Riaan Shah

50/50 in Mathematics



Driti Kothari

50/50 Science



Anika Shetty

50/50 Science



Saket Ananthakrishnan

50/50 Science



Prarthana Thayyil

50/50 Science

“Academic Toppers”



Zanna Fernandes
CP III



Tisha Rusia
CP III



Avyan Baijal
CP III



Amy Dsouza
CP II



Amara Maheshwari
CP III



Liam Rodrigues
CP IV



Moksha Panchwatkar
CP IV



Neel Kota
CP IV



Prarthana Thayyil
CP V



Kavya Parab
CP V



Dritik Kothari
CP V

“Academic Toppers”



Abhir Ghalke
CHKPT 1



Moksha Gupta
CHKPT 1



Abhinav Krishna
CHKPT 1



Sahiti Patnaik
CHKPT 2



Ananya Harish
CHKPT 2



Anishka Karthik
CHKPT 2



Ahaan Sharma
CHKPT 3



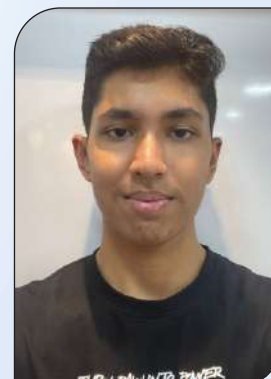
Vaibhav Gurusamy
CKPT 3



Joshua Fernandes
CHKPT 3



Sagarika Gupta
IG 1



Teerth Mittal
IB 1

“WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS”

Annual Day

“Mumbai 2.0 Bijaate Raho - Annual Day Event Celebrating Mumbai's Ever Vibrant Spirit”

The Annual Day Celebrations offered a captivating glimpse into Mumbai's vibrant soul—a city that epitomizes ceaseless dreaming and relentless energy. Amidst the lively performances, including a stirring rendition of "Yeh Hai Mumbai Meri Jaan" and a heartfelt skit honouring everyday heroes, Vice-President Mr. Mahesh Shetty, Chairman Mr. Ratnakar Shetty Mundkur, and Chief Guest Radio Jockey Mr. Dilip Jain commended the event's portrayal of Mumbai's unity and resilience, echoing the sentiment of radio's unifying power. They particularly lauded the skit, which intricately explored the bustling streets, local trains, and monsoons of Mumbai while paying homage to its unsung heroes, including the dedicated police force and tireless BMC workers. The choirs' mash-up of Korean, Japanese, and Italian songs represented Mumbai's changing tapestry of cultures. A moving "Sound of Silence" event highlighted the city's unwavering resilience in the face of the pandemic's hardships. Finally, the Annual Day Celebrations not only demonstrated the school's dedication to international education, but also honoured Mumbai's rich legacy, offering individuals an immersive journey through its colourful culture and indomitable spirit.



IEYC Annual Day

The annual day celebration is a special event where kids showcase their talents through dance, speeches, and acting. They have put in a lot of effort to prepare for this day and always perform with enthusiasm. It was a joyous occasion that brought the whole school community together to celebrate the children's achievements.



Annual Sports Meet



The Annual Sports Day on January 29, 2024, was a vibrant testament to our school's commitment to holistic education, celebrating the theme 'Fitness for All'. The event, inaugurated by Ms. Harpreet Kaur Kamath and Mr. Pratik Bhadalekar Savio for the morning and afternoon sections respectively, was a dynamic display of athleticism and unity. The March Past initiated the proceedings, with students from all houses, led by their captains, marching in perfect sync to the school band's rhythm, embodying discipline and spirit. This was followed by the Torchbearers Run, symbolizing the enduring values of spirit, knowledge, and perseverance, lighting up the sportsmanship flame among participants and spectators alike.



The day was further enriched by a series of presentations, including a serene Yoga display, an energetic Zumba session, and a thrilling Martial Arts showcase, each emphasizing the balance between mental well-being and physical fitness. The mascot, a figure of strength with a scroll, added a symbolic touch to the festivities.



The evening section brought to life the thematic races of IEYC, from the playful birthday party race of IEYC IA to the creative farm and circus races of IEYC IIIC and IIID. These activities not only highlighted the children's synchronization and teamwork but also fused athleticism with imaginative play, leaving a lasting impression of joy and unity on all attendees.



LIT-O-MANIA

"Lit-o-mania'24 was a ground breaking fusion of literature and artificial intelligence, drawing participants from diverse schools and boasting exceptional engagement".

This innovative event celebrated creativity, technology, and language through a range of competitions tailored to varied interests and talents. From entrepreneurial pitches in "Shark Tank" to inventive showcases in "Tech Tinkerers," participants explored AI's potential. Spontaneity shone in "Off the Cuff Extempore," while "Tech Palette" blended art with technology. Challenges like "Lingua Mind Quest" and "Silicon & Soul" tested intellect and reflection. "Lego Mechmasters" honed construction skills, "Cine Tech" merged film and tech, and "Code Comedy Chronicles" added humor to coding. Other highlights included "La Diction," "Takniki Talmel," "Kavya Sangeet," and "Words & Wires," each enriching the event's narrative. Beyond competition, Lit-o-mania fostered a forward-thinking ethos, reflecting a growing interest in technology, literature, and the arts in education.



Lit-Live Wire 2023

It was an exciting literary event that aimed to spark kids' imagination and creativity. The gathering brought together literature lovers to explore different types of writing and engage in activities that enhance language skills. It was a special occasion for students to display their passion for language.

IEYC I - Puppet show and Storytelling session by the parent



Puppet Talk on their favourite puppet



IEYC III - Book review on child's favorite story



Lit-Live Wire 2023

Cambridge Primary

Day 1- Story Telling session and Literary Quiz

CP (Morning)

First Position : Winter House

Aanya Gupta - CP III A
Ojaswi Karkera - CP IV B
Anika Shetty - CP V A

CP (Afternoon)

First Position : Spring House

Ayesha Khan Pathan -CP V
Chaitanya Trivedi - CP IV
Nethra Raghuraman -CP III

CP (Morning)

Second Position : Spring House

Vaani Patel - CP III A
Gargi Divekar - CP IV B
Driti Kothari - CP V C

CP (Afternoon)

Second Position : Autumn House

Prisha Sood - CP V
Neel Kota - CP IV
Vibhav Mekal - CP III

CP I & II - A parental involvement session was conducted wherein parents from CP I & II became the facilitators and captivated students' imaginations with a wonderful storytelling session.



CP III, IV and V - 'Literary Trivia Quiz' - An inter-house quiz competition



Lit-Live Wire 2023

Cambridge Primary

Day 2- Engaging, interesting and creative activities were conducted across the grades.

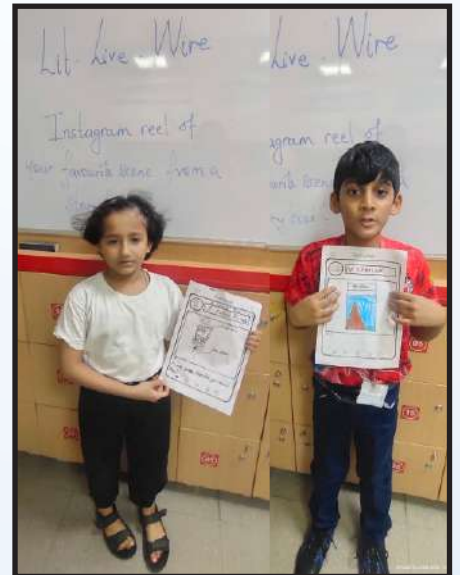
CP II - Dress up as a word



CP I - Dress up as characters from Alice in Wonderland and Dr. Seuss books.



CP III - Create an Instagram reel from a favourite book.

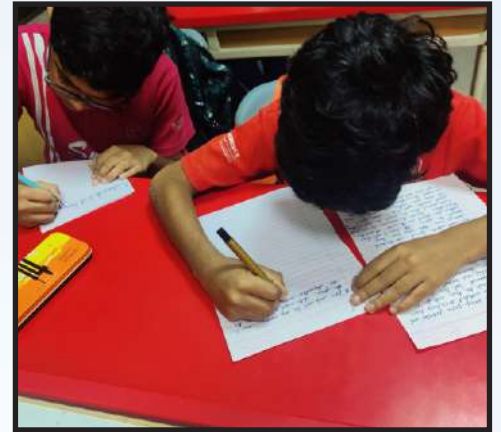


Lit-Live Wire 2023

Cambridge Primary

Day 2- Engaging, interesting and creative activities were conducted across the grades.

CP IV - Write an original fantasy story.



CP V: Combine literature and the Gen Z Rap music trend to summarise a favourite book.



Lit-Live Wire 2023

Check Point

Day 1-

Chkpt I: Hot seat - Students celebrated the lesser-known and misinterpreted characters from the novel

Winner:

Spring House

Khushi - Chkpt III

Aaditya - Chkpt II

Ritvika Shukla - Chkpt I



IG - AS/AL/IBDP

A literary quiz



Chkpt II & III: Monologues by famous characters



Day 2- Inter-house quiz competition



FUN-FLEA-ESTA

Where Fun Meets Entrepreneurship



Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Junior College hosted the dynamic **Fun Flea Esta** on **December 2, 2023**, emphasizing its commitment to fostering entrepreneurial skills among students. The event commenced with a grand inauguration by Mr. Praveen B Shetty, President of Bunts Sangha Mumbai, who praised the students for their creativity and teamwork. Notable guests, including Mr. Mahesh S Shetty, Co-ordinator Powai Education Committee, and office bearers of the Powai Education Committee, lauded the school's initiative in providing a platform for students to showcase their potential. The vibrant stalls, featuring innovative crafts, engaging games, and delectable treats, not only offered a delightful experience but also served as valuable learning opportunities. Collaborating with the Kotak Education Foundation, an NGO supporting underprivileged children through education, added further significance to the event.



Razzmatazz

Our school hosted the inter school Music and Dance Competition - Razzmatazz '23 on 22nd July 2023. It was truly a celebration of the performing arts and an endeavour to propagate and preserve our culture and heritage . Over 400 students from across Mumbai participated in the event. Pawar Public School Chandivali won the trophy for the Dance competition. Dr S Radhakrishnan International School won the trophy for the Music competition.



International Yoga Day



'Samatvaṁ Yoga Uchyate' - Evenness of Mind is Yoga.

In order to promote the benefits of Yoga across the globe, Since 2014 the UN General Assembly has recognised 21st June as the International Day of Yoga. The assembly began with the synchronized chanting of 'Gayatri Mantra'- a mantra known for having universal vibrations, followed by mediation and performance of asana like Padmasana, Parvatasan, Paschimottasana, Tadasana, Chakrasana, guided by Ms Sheetal Randive (our PE faculty and Yoga practitioner). **Mr. Dhairyasheel Pradhan**, a committed yoga practitioner addressed the students on the benefits of yoga on a regular basis. The performance concluded with a soothing meditation giving a fine ending to the display of flexibility, balance, calmness and endurance.



Investiture Ceremony

On August 2, 2023, we witnessed a momentous occasion - the Investiture Ceremony of the Student Council 2023-2024.

It is a formal occasion where the outgoing Student Council officially hands over their responsibilities to the incoming team. This ceremonial event provides an opportunity for the school to recognize and appreciate the contributions of the previous council members while instilling a sense of responsibility, leadership, and commitment among the newly elected representatives. The event was graced with the presence of **Mr. B R Shetty, Chairman PEC** and **Mr. Ulthur Mohandas Shetty Vice Chairman PEC**

The outgoing council members shared their experiences and achievements during their tenure, inspiring the incoming team to continue the legacy. The moment of utmost importance arrived when the new council members, adorned with sashes and badges, were called upon to take their oaths. With heads held high and hearts filled with determination, each member pledged to uphold the values and principles of the institution, strive for the welfare of their peers, and work towards the betterment of the school. The Investiture Ceremony highlighted the exclusive privilege of being part of the Student Council at SMSISJC. Elected by their fellow students, the council members symbolize the voice of the student body and act as liaisons between students and school administration.

The council members understand that their positions come with immense responsibility and a duty to serve their peers selflessly. They pledge to lead by example, share their agenda and show integrity in their actions, and maintain the spirit of inclusivity and teamwork throughout their tenure.

With the Investiture Ceremony marking a new beginning, the future of SMSISJC looks bright, promising, and filled with endless possibilities.



Speaker Summit

Envision,
Express &
Engage

The Speaker's Summit competition held in the month of July was a spectacular event that demonstrated the power of expressiveness and smart communication. Students from various grades gathered to participate in this engaging competition, where they had the opportunity to share their perspectives on diverse topics. The event not only exhibited our students' skills but also instilled confidence among participants.

Students spoke on a wide range of topics like Break away from the hive, Winner's Mentality, Augmented Reality in Education, Choose your Dopamine, Minimalist Living, A Plan that can solve Climate Change, and many more!



French Day

The **French Day Celebration** was a remarkable student-led event that aimed to promote cultural diversity, foster understanding, and provide an immersive experience of French culture to the students. The event showcased various aspects of French traditions, language, cuisine and art. Activities included French songs, games, Teach the Teachers, Francophone countries & their gastronomy, Research and presentation on the famous French scientists and drawing similarities between French & Indian foods. The Checkpoint I Assembly was a perfect opportunity to understand the French Revolution and the significance of The Bastille Day on 14th of July. The parade, fashion show & Fête de la musique by the students of IGCSE I & II, made the celebration lively and colourful. The French Quiz for the students of CP III, IV, V marked the culmination of the celebration. The little IEYcians too celebrated this day with great enthusiasm dressed in the French Tricolour.

The winners (Morning)

First Position - Spring House

Vaani Patel - CP III A

Gargi Divekar - CP IV B

Driti Kothari - CP V C

The winners (Afternoon)

First Position - Autumn House

Ayrah Bhattacharya - CP III B

Neel Kota - CP IV C

Prisha Sood - CP V D



Hispanic Day

The month-long celebration of Hispanic Heritage kicked off on **September 15th** with **IBDP-I** students presenting different countries of the Hispanic world. The students have adopted one country from the Hispanic world and explained in detail the different aspects of their adopted country and presented some unique and interesting facts. A food festival was also organised by students celebrating the rich tapestry of culinary delights from across the Hispanic world. They also conducted our own rendition of 'Who wants to be a millionaire.' Student got an opportunity to answer a set of 4 questions based on Hispanic culture. It was an hour of roller coaster thrills and indeed an enriching experience for our students. Columbus Day is celebrated on **12 October** to commemorate everything that has Hispanic connection.

Carnival celebrations are a magnificent display of cultural diversity worldwide, offering a glimpse into the splendid traditions of different nations. Students of IBDP explored global carnivals embracing cultural diversity.



Hindi Diwas Celebration

Hindi got an exalted status in India on September 14, 1949, when it was adopted as the official language of the country. Since then September 14 is celebrated as Hindi Diwas to pay tribute to the official language of India. Today, Hindi enjoys the status of Rashtra Bhasha.

Students of CP 1 dressed themselves as Hindi Swars and gave information about them. CP 2 students were dressed as Community Helpers and spoke about their contribution to society. The students of CP 3 were dressed as matras and explained their importance. The students of CP 4 performed a Look-Alike wherein they informed us about the usage of various items which are used in day to day life. The students of CP 5 were dressed as Famous Indian Personalities, they gave information about their life struggles and achievements.

The students of CHKPT 1 spoke about the culture of various states of India which included food, arts, folk songs and dances. CHKPT 2 students presented the various uncommon festivals of different states. The students of CHKPT 3 organized various types of fun activities which were based on Hindi Learning like riddles, guessing the idioms by emojis and translation of English words into Hindi. IGCSE II students performed the interview activity: few students were dressed up as famous personalities excelling in different fields. Some students were dressed up as interviewers who took the interview of these famous personalities.

For IBDP, the program started with the recitation of Kabir's Dohe by IGCSE I students. The event was carried on by the students of IBDP I who presented before us the life story of famous Hindi writers. IBDP II students along with the IBDP I students enacted the famous story of Bhishma Sahani- "Chief ki Dawat" thereby spreading the message of the importance of parents in one's life and respecting them for their sacrifices which they have made for us.



Marathi Divas

Marathi diwas was celebrated in all the classes in the last week of February. The theme for this year was "दैनंदिन जीवनातील मराठीचे महत्त्व". Role play on the conversations at the different venues like bank, vegetable market, stationary shop, recipes were demonstrated emphasising the importance of languages. Students dressed up as birds and animals as well, presenting poems various topics.

Marathi hasyakavita , exhibition of comics in Marathi by the students were the highlightes of this event.



Cambridge Primary Graduation Day



Graduation Day ceremony for Cambridge Primary Checkpoint students was held on 21st August 2023. This event marked a significant milestone in the academic journey of the young learners, celebrating their achievements and recognizing their hard work and dedication. The event was graced by **Powai Education Committee Chairman Mr B R Shetty**. He acknowledged the hard work and dedication of students, the support of parents, and the efforts of teachers in shaping young minds. The highlight of the event was the distribution of Cambridge certificates and mementos to the Cambridge Primary Checkpoint students who successfully completed their examinations.



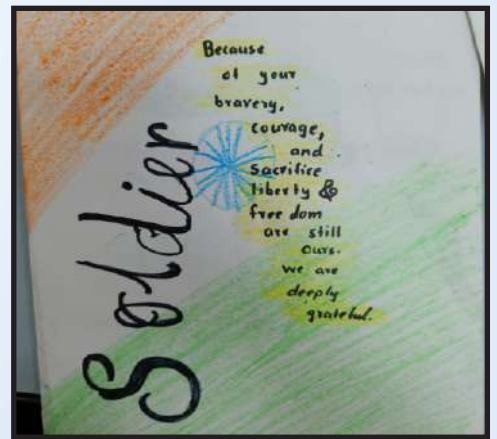
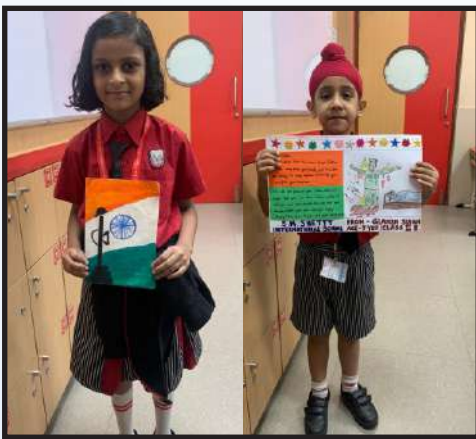
Principal Dr. Mildred Lobo complimented the student for taking their first global assessment and becoming a part of the global learner fraternity. The Cambridge Primary Coordinators Ms Nilambari Kolwalkar and Ms Raksha Shetty emphasized the importance that Cambridge curriculum gives to holistic development, global awareness, and adaptability in education. Several students shared their experiences and insights gained during their Cambridge Primary Checkpoint journey. The Graduation Day concluded with a Gratitude song by our Graduating students and a throw of hats.



Salute to our Heroes

Handmade greeting card for Indian Soldiers

On the occasion of the New Year, our students' heartfelt handmade cards delivered a poignant expression of gratitude, fostering a sense of appreciation among soldiers for their dedicated service. These small acts of kindness amplify the appreciation for our nation's protectors.



Maths Week

Maths week was organised from **2nd August to 9th August 2023** to cultivate a deeper appreciation for the subject and foster a sense of enjoyment in mathematical exploration.

During Maths Week, students from CP I showcased their creativity by crafting imaginative drawings utilising 2D shapes. CP II, IV and V learners engaged in puzzle-solving activities that promote logical thinking and problem-solving skills. CP III students enthusiastically unravelled a mystery puzzle, deciphering clues to unveil the solution within a challenging 30-minute class.

Students from Checkpoint I to IBDP II engaged in activities like Bingo Math, exploring the works of famous mathematicians, understanding the characteristics features of different graphs and generalising the formula for conditional probability. The week-long event fostered a stimulating and interactive mathematical learning environment for all participants. The Math week culminated with a Inter School Math Science "Sci-Pi" Quiz.



Science-Pi Quiz

The Sci-Pi Quiz held on August 7, 2023, was a resounding success in its goal of promoting scientific curiosity and understanding of Mathematics and Science among Cambridge Learners.

The event not only tested the participants' knowledge but also provided an opportunity for them to engage with their peers and discuss various scientific concepts.

CP (Morning)

First Position : Summer House

Harshi Davavala - III

Liam Rodrigues - IV

Mallesh Mansharamani - V

CP (Afternoon)

First Position : Spring House

Aisha Shaikh - III

Pranav Rao - IV

Ayesha Khan Pathan - V

Checkpoint

First Position : Winter House

Kapish Mane - Chkpt I

Rishabh Ganatra - Chkpt II

Palash Lale - Chkpt III

IG/IB/AS/AL

First Position : Spring House

Saisha Kotian - IG I

Somalya Ghosh - IG II

Melanie Rodrigues - AS

Lavanya Sinha - IB II

IG/IB/AS/AL

First Position : Summer House

Jai Nair - IG I

Sanskar Nagral - IG II

Teerth Mittal - IB I

Komal Malwankar - AL



Spanish-CS_DS Collaboration

On July 25th, our IB learners gave a presentation to their peers and juniors on the broad theme of cyberbullying. It was a collaborative teaching effort between the Spanish, Digital Society and Computer Science faculties in which our IB learners relayed their understanding of the subject through video editing, filming, role-playing, and public speaking. They challenged their peers to be introspective about their social media use and to strike a balance between their real and virtual lives.



Mentoring the Mentors

Awards & Certifications



IGCSE Coordinator, **Ms. Neetha Shetty**, completed the Centa School Leadership programme and certification with a distinction.



Ms. Nilambari Kolwalkar, our dedicated Cambridge Primary Coordinator, has been honored with the prestigious **International Icon Award 2023** in the category of Dynamic Teacher of the Year. Congratulations to Ms. Nilambari, for this well-deserved accolade that beautifully signifies her remarkable 20-year teaching journey. She also stands among the **top 10% teachers globally**. Special thanks to the International Teachers' Olympiad by Suraasa for giving them the opportunity of assessing their skills and getting celebrated for it. Hearty Congratulations Nilambari.



Awards & Certifications



We are delighted to share that **Ms Ranjit Kaur Banwait**, our Business Studies Faculty is a **National Finalist** in the **IPN Inspire Awards 2023**. Having gone through various rounds of the selection process she was adjudged **Second Runner -Up** in the Category: **Life Skills Enhancer of the Year 2023**. We are extremely proud of her achievement and wish her greater success in the future.

Reshma Chaudhari is a committed educator who showed her abilities at STTAR NTO 2023. Reshma's outstanding success displays her unwavering commitment to lifelong study, as she attained the 88th State Rank and 548th All India Rank. She achieved a notable 75% in the KLIC Python course, earning recognition from YCMOU.

She has also recently earned her 2nd Microsoft Certification and has proudly earned the esteemed title of Microsoft Innovative Educator Expert! She stands among the top 10% teachers globally. Special thanks to the International Teachers' Olympiad by Suraasa for giving them the opportunity of assessing their skills and getting celebrated for it.



Ms. Huzaiyah Bhaladar was awarded the Certificate of Excellence for valuable contributions. She has officially been welcomed as a 2022 Climate Action Project Facilitator! She will join a global team of about **120 facilitators** to share her expertise and provide facilitation to teachers participating in the Climate Action Project 2022. Huzaiyah is a true Climate Action Ambassador and leads **Team Green** in our school. Under her guidance the school has taken up and successfully implemented several Planet Friendly initiatives.

Awards & Certifications



Some of our teachers took part in leading sessions during the MISA event, hosted by the International Schools' Association, aimed at fostering collaboration and knowledge exchange within the teaching community. Specifically, **Ms. Neetha Shetty** guided the session on English ESL, **Ms. Ranjit Kaur Banwait** facilitated discussions on Business Studies, **Ms. Anukthi Poojari** shared insights on Environmental Management, and **Ms. Shraddha Wagle** led the session focused on Biology.

Our Sports faculty **Ms. Rekha Kamble** participated in the **Beach Handball Maharashtra Team** selection for 37th National Games Goa organised by **Maharashtra Olympic Association**. We are proud to announce that she bagged the **4th position** and the **only one** to be selected from **Mumbai & Thane district**. Another feather in the cap for **Ms. Rekha Kamble** on receiving **Certificate of Merit** for attending the **State Referee's Clinic**



Centa Teaching Professional Olympiad in Senior Secondary School - Chemistry. Our faculty **Ms. Rachana Birju** secured **Global Rank 9**.



Our faculty, **Ms. Ritika Punjabi** selected as a **Panelist** for **Cambridge Higher Education Panel**.

“Bringing Laurels”

Cambridge Award

INFINITY: A Prestigious Mathematics Competition

The annual INFINITY Inter-School Mathematics Competition, organized by Aditya Birla World Academy and BITS Pilani, welcomes students from grades 9 to 12. It fosters a love for math through challenging problems. 11 teams competed in the Online Zonal Round, with two advancing to the Final Round. The Advanced team, comprising Talin Ram, Teerth Mittal, and Piyush Gurbani, participated in the final round in January 2024 in Mumbai. Talin Ram secured the 2nd Runner-up position in the "Clash of Mathematicians" round in the Advanced Category.



ACHIEVEMENTS IN EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS

Celebrating Brilliance: SOF Prize Distribution Ceremony

Abhir Ghalke of Checkpoint has secured an **International Rank of 20, a Zonal Rank of 16 and a school rank of 1 in IMO** (International Mathematics Olympiad). He has been awarded with a **Medal of Distinction** from SOF. We congratulate all the winners & participants who took part in the SOF exams.



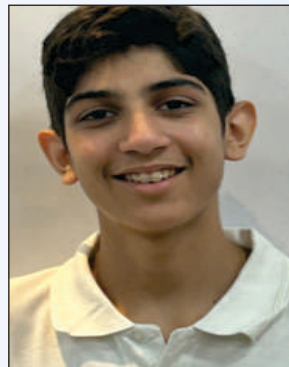
CRESCENDO Competition

Our Commerce students participated in CRESCENDO - A Commerce Competition organized by Podar International School. A total of 113 schools participated & it was indeed a close competition. The following students stood out victorious :

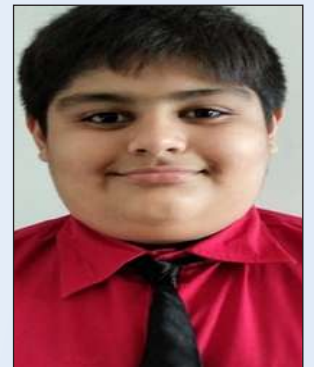
Second Position in Niti Shastra (CR-S) - Sankalp B & Pratham Thakkar (CR-J)

Third Position in Hire or Fire (CR-S) Simon Pol

Third Position in Recessus Consensus (CR-S) Anya Patel.



Sankalp Bhardwaj of As Level
2nd in NITI Shastra (CR-S)



Pratham Thakkar of IGCSE I
2nd in NITI Shastra (CR-S)



Simone Pol of As Level
3rd in Hire or Fire (CR-S)



Anya Patel of IBDP I
3rd in Recessus Consensus (CR-J)

ACHIEVEMENTS IN EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS

Logiqids is an International exam to develop mental aptitude in kids. Such activities help enhance various critical skill-sets like critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity. **Ishan Roy secured International Rank - 1, Ananya Harish & Ojasvin Sahare secured International Rank - 2 & Yuven Kothari bagged International Rank - 10, in Congratulations !!**



Ishan Roy
International Rank 1



Ananya Harish
International Rank 2



Ojasvin Sahare
International Rank 2



Yuven Kothari
International Rank 10

Ms. Snigdha Jnanesh Singh won second place in the fancy dress category (Mathematics) Inter School Competition held by **Seven Isles School**



Ojaswi Karkera of CP IV won second prize in the Crossword in Inter School Competition held by **Seven Isles School**.



ACHIEVEMENTS IN EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS



Mastermind exam achievers demonstrate exceptional intellect, strategic thinking, and dedication to their academic pursuits. Their ability to solve complex problems and excel sets them apart as leaders and innovators in their respective fields. With their determination and relentless pursuit of excellence, they inspire others to reach their full potential and make meaningful contributions to society.

IEYC students **Viaan Sawant** secured 1st rank in G. K. and 3rd rank in EVS, **Ruhi Kamat** secured 1st rank in English and 3rd rank in EVS, **Ojas Chandra** secured 3rd rank in EVS and **Adhrit Rao** secured 3rd rank in G.K., and also **Hridaya Shetty** of CP IV has achieved commendable recognition at State Level.



**Ruhi Kamat and
Ojas Chandra**



Adhrit Rao



Viaan Sawant



We're thrilled to announce that **Aditi Bhalerao** of Checkpoint I A has emerged victorious in the **MARRS SPELL BEE State Level Exam**, clinching the **2nd rank!** It's a remarkable achievement that reflects her dedication and excellence in mastering the art of spelling.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS

Our Primary students won second prize and the secondary students won special prize in the group singing competition. **Mayank Rane** got special prize for Clap Box held in **Manibhavan**.



We are delighted to announce that **Saket Ananthkrishnan** from CP V D has successfully passed the Grade 6 Guitar exam (in Rock and Pop) administered by Trinity College of London, showcasing his diligence and commitment. Congratulations, Saket, on this remarkable achievement!



Vihang Jamsandekar from Checkpoint IA took part in WSRO, a **Robotics Competition** conducted at both the national and international levels. The final stage of the competition took place in Ahmedabad during the month of September 2023. Participants from 10 different countries joined in this event. Following meticulous planning and dedicated effort, Vihang achieved the **2nd runners-up position**. Congratulations to Vihang!!

On October 7th, our **IBDP** student **Gauransh Dixit**, demonstrated remarkable talent by securing the **2nd position** in **Sketching** at the **APRATIMOTSAV** fest, hosted by Bunts Sangha's SM Shetty High School and Junior College. His achievement aligns with the IBDP program's holistic development highlighting the program's commitment to educational excellence.



Namaste India



In a harmonious showcase of talent, our students secured a prestigious 2nd position at the **Namaste India Inter-School Competition**, hosted by Pawar Public School, in the esteemed Music category. They enchantingly rendered classic melodies, reminiscent of the legendary Lata Mangeshkar ji, leaving the audience spellbound with their artistry.

SECOND PRIZE -GROUP SINGING MISAAESTHETICS

Shagun Shrivastav won High Commendations
and a cash prize of Rs. 1500 in Fairgaze MUN



Megan Salian won first prize in solo singing event
held by Mount Litera.



Achievements in Sports



Neil Gawde of IGCSE 1 passed the State Level competition in the 27th Capt. S. J. Ezekiel Memorial Maharashtra State Shooting Championship Novices, 2024, organized by The Maharashtra Rifle Association in Mumbai. He has qualified to compete for National Level in December.

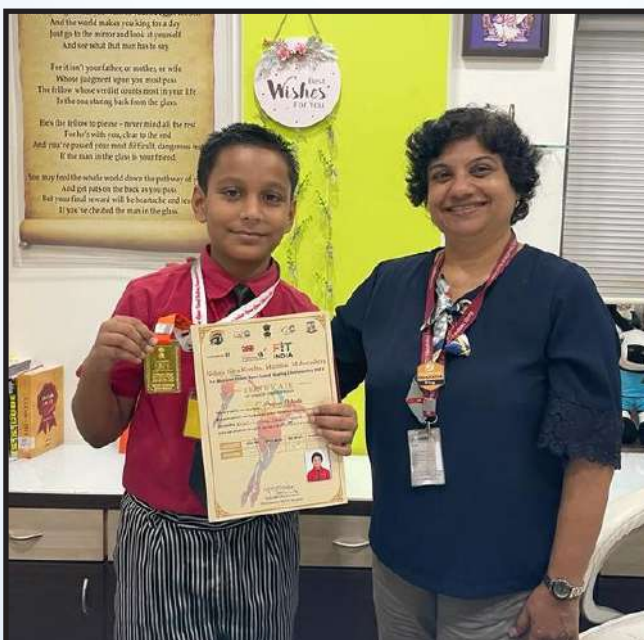


Mst. Daksh Sharma of secured a Silver Medal in MMA at District level organized by the Mumbai Kick Boxing Association on 28th April 2024. He also won the K1 competition held by Navi Mumbai Mixed Martial Arts Association in 47 kg weight category.



Priyam Chheda Secured The First Position In The Recreational Inline Skating Category And Has Been Awarded With A Gold Medal In The 1st Monsoon Indoor Open Speed Skating Championship 2023 Organized By Nehru Yuva Kendra, Mumbai

Anishka Karthik secured 2nd position in Badminton organised by Garodia International School



Achievements in Sports

Congratulations



Ayaan Ram secured second place for Under 12 category in Saptakiran Sports Carnival Mallakhamb competition. He also won 2 gold medal in aerobics . He also participated in MSSA (Mumbai Schools Sports Association Mallakamb & Rope Mallakamb Competition 2023-2024 at B.P.C.A'S Gymnastics Center, Wadala . In spite of injury ,he managed to secure the third Prize in Pole Mallakamb. Our student Ayaan Ram from CP IV had participated in District Yoga Sports Competition organised by the Upnagar Jilha Yogasan Association and secured a Gold medal in the U/12 category. He won the Gold Medal in Aerobics & HIP HOP National Championship held by ISAFF India Federation Cup 2024. He also bagged 2 Golds and 1 Bronze in Aerobics, Acrobatics and Rhythmic Gymnastics District Championship competition, Mumbai

Harshil Khanvilkar from IGCSE I won gold in the U-16 Shot Put (5 kg) category with a throw of 10.39 metres at the SFA CHAMPIONSHIP held at Priyadarshini Park. Additionally, Harshil won another gold medal in the U-16 Discus Throw (1.5 kg) division with a remarkable throw of 32.02 metres. He also secured the First position in U-16 boy in Shot put Competition.



Achievements in Sports

Ayan Garg, a Vengsarkar Cricket Academy team participant, emerged victorious in the **U12 Dream 11 Cup** hosted by the **Dilip Vengsarkar Foundation** at **Oval Maidan**. Recently, he was honoured as the player of the match for his exceptional bowling skills, achieving figures of 9 runs for 2 wickets.

Ayan has also got the **Best Bowler & Man of the Match** award given by Mr. Sanjay Patil who is one of the selectors of Mumbai team in other league matches sponsored by Ageas Federal.



The Vengsarkar Cricket Academy team which won the U-12 Dream 11 Cup. Seated are coach Prashant Dalvi (left), Prashant Tayde of Dream 11, Dilip Vengsarkar, coaches Suryakant Mane and Sanjay Kirtikar

Vengsarkar academy win U-12 title

VENGsARKAR Cricket Academy won the U-12 Dream 11 Cup organised by Dilip Vengsarkar Foundation at its academy at the Oval Maidan recently.

They beat Bhosle Cricket Academy in a tight final.

Batting first, Vengsarkar Cricket Academy made 105-9 in the allotted 20 overs. At one stage, they were 47 for 6, but Kartikeya Sharma (26) and Aradhya Kamble (19) added 44 runs for the seventh wicket to give some respectability to the score. Ankit Mhatre (2-10) and Vivek Yadav (2-13) were bowling contributors

for Bhosle Cricket Academy.

In reply, Kanha Upadhyay (42) and Agastya Kashikar (44) gave the Bhosle outfit a solid start, putting on 81. But Hridan Upadhyay caught Kanha off his own bowling to get the breakthrough.

The hosts then tightened the screws and restricted the opposition to 95-5 to clinch the title. Ayan Garg, who took 2-9, was declared player of the match. In his post-event speech, former India captain Vengsarkar urged the kids to stay focussed and be disciplined.

We take immense pride in highlighting the accomplishments of our students in the **Poinsur Gymkhana Sports Competitions**. Our school excelled, securing the **second runner-up trophy** in the **Handball tournament's U14 Boys and U14 Girls categories**. Additionally, **Saraansh Jain** from **Checkpoint I** received the **Best Goalkeeper trophy** in the **U14 Boys category** of the Handball Tournament.



Achievements in Sports

We are delighted to announce that our students have achieved third place in the U12 Boys category of the basketball tournament organised by VIVA, Vibgyor at Kharghar.



We are delighted to announce that our students have achieved the second-place position in the U12 Boys category of the Football Tournament organised by the A M R Academy, Powai.



We are proud to share the achievements of our students at the Indo-Scot Global Inter school competition conducted on 5th and 6th December 2023.

The achievements are as given below:

1. Third place in the Under 14 Boys category for Football.
2. Second place in the Under 10 Boys category for Football.
3. First place in the Under 12 Boys category for basketball.

Individual Achievements:

Our student **Nikith Pagare** from CP IV received the Best Goalkeeper trophy in the under-10 boys category for Football.

We are happy to share that our student **Rewa Rathod** from CP IV B won the Bronze medal in the U10 Gymnastics category at SFA CHAMPIONSHIP held at Priyadarshini Park.



Achievements in Sports

Mr. Agastya Sanghvi secured Gold Medal in Under Poomsaein - 1st Intra – Academic Taekwondo Championship-2024 and **Ms. Vaani Patel** secured Gold Medal in Roller Sports in Thane Roller Sports Mahotsav.



Also our U-14 Girl **Tiya** survase of Checkpoint II B secured **First** position in shot put in Marol Athletics Association.



Rushil Sajaikumar of IGCSE I secured third position in U15 Boys category in a 2 km mini Marathon Run organized by Brahmadvaja foundation, Bhandup, Mumbai on 8th October 2023.



We are glad to announce that **Daksh Jitendra Sharma**, a student from **PRE-IG**, secured the **Gold medal** at the National Mixed Martial Arts Federation India during the Combat Sports festival.



Prithvi Aiya of **PRE-IG** received third position in **Table Tennis** at Ram Ratna Inter School Tournament.

We are proud to announce that our U-14 and U-16 boys received **second place** in a **Volleyball Tournament** which is organised by Don Bosco school Dombivli.



Achievements in Sports



We are pleased to announce that our team has achieved the **Runner-Up position** in the **DSO District Level Cricket Tournament** in Boys under 17 age category.

Karthik secured **2nd position** in **Badminton** which is organised by **Garodiya INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL** under 14 Girls category.



Achievements in Sports

VISTAURA 2023 JUNIOR DRONACHARYA GUNDECHA SCHOOL

Master Ahaan Patel

From IEYC III

Bagged 1st Position

Coming in Jersey

Ms. Swara Karanje

From IEYC II

Bagged 2nd Position

Warm Up, Start & Restart

Ms. Anaya Khan

From IEYC III

Bagged 3rd Position

Meet The Sports Legend

Ms. Anayla Shaikh

From IEYC I

Bagged 2nd Position

Fit and First Race

Vita Athletics

Dr. Pillai Global Academy School hosted a Sporting event 'Vita Athletic' on 16th February, 2024.

The purpose and intent of our sporting event is to inspire, stay active and have fun !

Participants

Kavish Nikhil Siraswar - IEYC III

Ashar Irfan Khan - IEYC II

Nairah Nabeel Edroos - IEYC III

Viaana Girish Patel - IEYC I

Swara Rahul Karanje - IEYC II

Purvank Durgesh Salunke - IEYC I

Winners



Kavish Nikhil Siraswar from IEYC III bagged 1st position in Obstacle Race



Nairah Nabeel Edroos from IEYC III bagged 1st position in Lemon & Spoon.



Swara Rahul Karanje from IEYC II bagged 3rd position in Hurdle Race

Achievements in Sports

Winners



Purvank Durgesh Salunke from IEYC I bagged 2nd position in Bucket and Ball Race



Ashar Irfan Khan from IEYC II bagged 2nd position in Balance the Ball.



Viaana Girish Patel from IEYC I bagged 2nd position in Cone Race.

Our students **Prithviraj Khot and Yuven Kothari from CP V** had participated in **Football competition, Independence Cup 2023.**

Prithviraj Khot and Yuven Kothari won the **Player of the Match** for their respective teams.

Prithviraj's Team won the **Tournament** as well.



Achievements in Sports

Anay Ajay Singh from IEYC III, had won a Taekwondo Championship Certificate and Medal. The journey is a testament to his dedication. Despite his young age, he approaches his training with enthusiasm and commitment.



IIT Tech Fest



**Ahaan Tiwari of IGCSE I
Won Best Delegate Award
At IIT Tech Fest**



**Dhruv Jain of IGCSE II is among
the Top 6 For The Global Digital
Art Competition Collaborative
Art Space**



**Rishaan Agarwal From Cp I Won
Speed Cuber Position For Solving
Tangrams And A Gold Medal In
3x3x3 Cube At Supernova Fusion
2023**

Inter-School Competition at Utpal Shanghvi Global School

Euphoria hit us when we were declared the **second runners up** at the **AIKYAM Inter School Competition** organised by Utpal Shanghvi Global School, Juhu. The contingent comprising 46 students and teachers proudly accepted the trophy for the school. We won the first prize in Box Cricket, First prize in JAM, First prize in AIKYAM Assembly, third prize in AIKYAM Adalat and third prize in Creative Confluence. We also won the third prize in the online competition - Back to the future. It truly was a worthy win for our students.

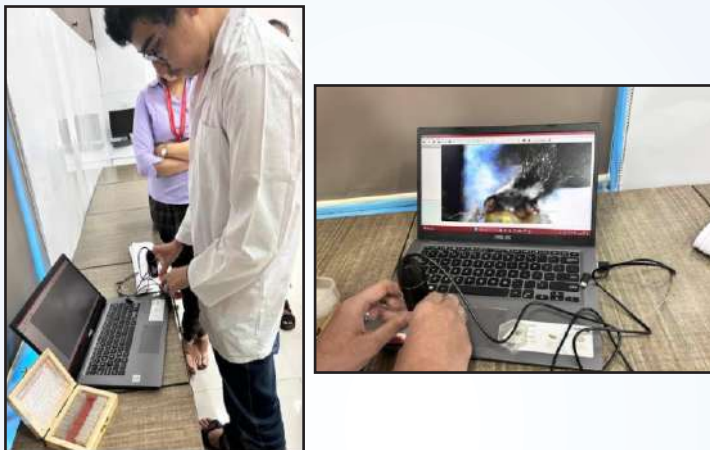


Life @ SMISJC

Opportunities for Students

"IBDP Students Embrace Smart Technology: Exploring the Microscopic World with Faaz Nawab!"

Our IBDP Y1 student, Faaz Nawab's initiative on how to use digital microscope for fellow classmates embodies the true essence of a thoughtful and compassionate learner, eager to support his peers.



On 24 th July, students of IGCSE visited Atlas Skill Tech University at BKC for a bootcamp on Design Thinking and Management. Our goal was to inspire creativity, foster critical thinking, and empower them to embrace innovation in their academic and personal journeys.



Students of IBDP and A levels attended an event at Vasundhara on 18th August, 2023 .It was an occasion of fun, featuring four engaging activities: air layering, bio-fencing, a captivating nature trail and an educational game called "Web of Life." These activities centered around forest ecology, food chains, and sustainable practices. The program kicked off in the morning and wrapped up just before lunch, providing a rich learning experience and a lot of fun for everyone involved.



Opportunities for Students

On 6th and 7th of July, IGCSE, A Levels, and IB DP students explored networking and network gadgets in the data centre and ICT Lab. They gained hands-on insight into Motherboard analysis through a workshop led by Mr. Ajinkya and Mr. Raj from the IT team.

India has created history as it became the first country to land on the South Pole of the lunar surface. Indians throughout the country and across the world prayed for Chandrayaan-3's Successful Landing. The same excitement could be seen amongst our students who witnessed this live telecast in their classrooms. It is important we pique their curiosity at a young age



Opportunities for Students

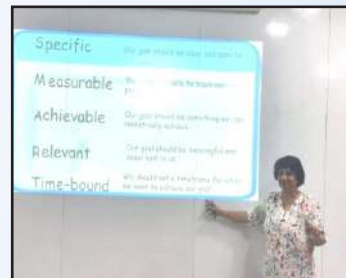
Our Spanish Ab Initio students of **IBDP** continued their journey to acquire new knowledge and immerse themselves in the Hispanic culture as they celebrated the **Day of the Dead, a Mexican Culture**. It is believed that our departed loved ones visit us once a year to celebrate with us. It is celebrated from 1st to 2nd November every year. Our students decided to create **Ofrendas** (offerings) to honour the souls of the departed personalities from across the Hispanic world.

The students put on display beautiful **Oferendas** and learnt new vocabulary pertaining to the Unit - "Vamos a celebrar" (Let's celebrate) in a fun and active way at the same time learning about the similarities and differences between their own culture and Hispanic culture.



Unleashing Young Potential: Goal-Setting & WOOP Session for CP IV and V students.

In an engaging session, CP IV and V students learned the art of setting SMART goals, building resilience, and visualizing success. The session, conducted by Ms. Mildred Lobo, inspired young minds to dream big and equipped them with essential life skills to navigate their journeys towards personal growth and achievement.



Opportunities for Students

In a quest to raise awareness on money matters, Financial Literacy classes have been initiated for the students of IGCSE which was conducted for students of IGCSE by guest lecture by **Ms. Yogita Dand**, a Certified Financial Planner.



India has created history as it became the first country to land on the South Pole of the lunar surface. Indians throughout the country and across the world prayed for Chandrayaan-3's Successful Landing. The same excitement could be seen amongst our students who witnessed this live telecast in their classrooms. It is important we pique their curiosity at a young age



The **IBDP Extended Essay Cafe** was a remarkable event on **3rd November, 2023** where students showcased their extensive research projects. With the aid of models, charts, and experimental evidence, they brought their diverse topics to life for parents, teachers and fellow students. The event provided a platform for students to exhibit their academic growth and demonstrate their ability to explore complex subjects. It was a valuable opportunity for the school community to witness the depth and breadth of their research skills, as well as their capacity to present findings in an engaging and informative manner. It is this invaluable research skill provided by the IBDP curriculum, our IB alumni have found that navigating university-level studies easy and a rewarding journey that they can confidently embark on.



Opportunities for Students

Inter school Competition - Mount Litera

Mount Litera International School hosted a **Music Competition Rhapsody 2023 on 20th October 2023**. The theme was about Global Unity. 4 of our students participated in different categories. **Megan Salian from IGCSE I secured 1st Position for her excellent rendition of the song**. All Music Teachers were felicitated at the end of the event with a small memento.

Participant Names:

Group 1 (Primary)

- 1.Navyansh Das - CP III
- 2.Ridhima Deb - CP III

Group 1 (Secondary)

- 1.Anishka Karthik - Checkpoint II

Group 2 (Secondary)

- 1.Megan Salian - IGCSE I



Inter School competition at Mani Bhavan Mani Bhavan Gandhi Sangrahalaya.

Our school was a vibrant force at the Gandhi Jayanti Competitions 2023 organized by Gandhi Smarak Nidhi, Mumbai, and Mani Bhavan Gandhi Sangrahalaya. With enthusiasm and creativity as our guiding lights, our students actively embraced the spirit of Mahatma Gandhi's legacy, contributing passionately to the cultural kaleidoscope of the event. It was a celebration of talent, values, and a shared commitment to honor the Mahatma's enduring influence.

'Doha Group Singing Competition' was organized by Mani Bhavan, for Grade V to X. There were 48 schools who had participated in this prestigious competition. Our school secured a Special Prize in this category.

Name of participants

- 1.Aishani Chatterjee -CP V
- 2.Anishka Karthik-Checkpoint II
- 3.Shashank Kanade-Checkpoint II
- 4.Saket Chaturani-Checkpoint II
- 5.Sanika Ranjan-Checkpoint II
- 6.Mayank Rane-Checkpoint III
- 7.Shreya Sukale -Checkpoint III
8. Aadya Menon-IGCSE I



Opportunities for Students

The **Patriotic Group Singing Competition** was organized by Mani Bhavan, for **Grade I to IV**. There were 20 schools who had participated in this prestigious competition. **We secured 2nd Position in this category.**

Mayank Rane from Checkpoint III secured a Special Prize for his excellent rendition on Clapbox. In this competition, we encouraged our own students to play the instruments and form a band.

Name of Participants:

- 1.Kayra Bhakta- CP I
- 2.Shivadnya More- CP I
- 3.Meghmala Biswas- CP I
- 4.Aarohi Rane- CP II
- 5.Amy D'souza- CP II
- 6.Neil Deshpande- CP II
- 7.Nimai Kota- CP II
- 8.Navyansh Das- CP III
- 9.Ridhima Deb- CP III

Students on Instruments:

- 1.Dane Thomas - Checkpoint III - Guitar
- 2.Ethan Fernandes - Checkpoint III - Guitar
- 3.Mayank Rane - Checkpoint III - Clapbox



A drawing competition on "**Gandhiji and the spinning wheel**" took place on August 22, 2023. Our students participated zealously, showcasing their artistic talent and creatively depicting the profound connection between Mahatma Gandhi and the spinning wheel. The event celebrated Gandhian ideals through vibrant and expressive artwork.

Name of Participants

- 1.Janvi Jeswani-CP II
- 2.Narendra Saran -CP II
- 3.Giansh Singh -CP II
- 4.Siya Parmar -CP II
- 5.Shanaya Khate -CP II
- 6.Kapil Saran -CP III
- 7.Tisha Rusia -CP III
- 8.Ridhima Deb -CP III
- 9.Moksha Panchwatkar-CP IV
- 10.Hazel Soni-CP IV
- 11.Jasvi Karkera -CP IV
- 12.Sarita Saran-CP IV



Opportunities for Students

One Act play - Drama

On September 8, 2023, ten enthusiastic students from CP II and III showcased their talent in a captivating one-act play centered around Gandhi's constructive program. The performance not only highlighted the students' creative abilities but also served as a meaningful tribute to the principles and ideals of Mahatma Gandhi. The event successfully engaged the audience, bringing to life the essence of Gandhian philosophy through the art of drama.

Name of Participants

1. Sia Parmar -CP II
2. Giansh Khokar-CP II
3. Anaya Kaur Iyer-CP II
4. Ved Kavathar-CP II
5. Swara Parab-CP II
6. Nimai Kota-CP II
7. Zanna Fernandes-CP III
8. Navyansh Das-CP III
9. Ridhima Deb-CP III
10. Shivansh Rai-CP III



Neel Kota, from CP IV C, recently had the remarkable opportunity to perform at the prestigious Royal Opera House on the 12th and 13th of August in the DreamWorks production "Madagascar - A Musical Adventure." His performance was nothing short of spectacular, leaving the audience in awe. We congratulate Neel Kota on his fantastic performance and extend our best wishes for his future endeavors in the world of the performing arts.



Opportunities for Students

Prakriti was recently extended an invitation to join the podcast channel "What's New Today." In the episode, the discussion centered around the intriguing topic of children's reading habits, encouraging young listeners to voice their opinions on the books they've enjoyed. Prakriti enthusiastically took advantage of this platform to deliver an engaging review of David Walliams' latest publication, "Robodog."



The Whittling Wood Workshop, led by Mr. Nitish Bhaskaran on July 21st and August 26th, 2023 offered IGCSE and IB DP Art students an immersive experience into the art of carving. By engaging with wooden blocks and carving tools, students learnt about patience following step by step processes, honed their visualization skills, and created interesting sculptures. This hands-on workshop not only enriched their artistic abilities but also instilled a sense of the traditional in their artistic journey.



The **SMSISJC Photography club**, led by two passionate photography enthusiasts, Kahini and Samanvi from IG I, recently organized an exciting trip to the Thane Creek Flamingo Sanctuary for bird watching and photography. On a chilly Saturday morning, a group of seven students, accompanied by their parents, ventured into the sanctuary and were thrilled to spot several stunning birds, including Flamingos, Kingfishers, Egrets, Kites, Spoonbill Storks, Grey Herons, and many more. It was a unique opportunity for the students to capture these magnificent creatures in their natural habitat.



Opportunities for Students

To enhance problem solving and logical reasoning ability of the students, students of SMSISJC are encouraged to practice and participate in the **International KenKen Math Puzzle Olympiad 2023**. KenKen puzzles help students see, focus on, and learn the logic, not just guessing. Link for Photos

https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1roasI_3F_wRMWWWouXyojs0cuGgUmLd9



Our **IB students** took us on a culinary adventure through India, France, and Spain. With tantalizing aromas, they shared cultural flavors like Dhokala, Croque Monsieur, Spanish Tortilla, and more, enlightening our taste buds and hearts. Our students also highlighted the importance of food sustainability, emphasizing mindful choices and responsible consumption while embracing the values of the IB learner profile. It was a joyful celebration of culture and conscious living, reminding us of the global impact of our daily choices.



On **July 17th and 19th**, A-Level Computer Science students initiated a virtual tour showcasing forest and ocean tours. These tours took CP I & II and IEYC students on an educational journey, unveiling fascinating tree insights, animal sounds, fish details, and captivating underwater narratives. The result was a delightful and enriching experience for the young learners.



On **August 21st, 2023**, **World Photography Day** highlighted the artistic talents of our **A Level and IBDP** students and emphasized the importance of capturing moments that define our lives. It reminded us that every snapshot holds a piece of history and a world of emotions. It's about having the eyes to see, the mind to understand, and the hand to capture.

With the theme "Understanding Clouds," students captured moments and presented imagery that hold stories beyond what words can convey.



CAS

Initiative

Creativity, Activity and Service Initiatives

The **IBDP** students, driven by their passion for change, joined hands on **September 16th** for an inspiring **Coastal Cleanup Day** at **Versova Beach** as part of their CAS journey. With the guidance of their CAS coordinator and the support of local NGOs and fellow schools, these young environmental warriors worked tirelessly, separating plastics and contaminants from the sand. This CAS initiative was an incredible success, leaving a lasting impact on their understanding of pollution and waste management.



On **26th June**, the students of **IBDP** and **AS Level** came up with an excellent idea of **donating books** to children at a **Mumbai Public School**. They also organised activities such as painting, music, and outdoor games, creating a sense of inclusiveness and an environment of love and caring.



Joy of Giving

Radiating the 'Joy of Giving' this Diwali through our IBDP CAS Activity!

Our IBDP students, reflecting the guiding principles of the IB learner profile of 'Caring,' embarked on a heartwarming journey of gratitude and empathy. With immense gratitude, we distributed essential resources to the security, housekeeping staff, and the dedicated support staff. It was an enriching experience for our students to witness firsthand the immediate and heartfelt response from those who often work relentlessly behind the scenes.



In the month of February we had collected stationery from IEYC to IB2 students and donated it to an orphanage, St. Catherine of Sienna School in Bandra. The above activities highlights their dedication to helping others and building a caring community.



Green Team Initiatives

Green Wall in School premise :

Implementing a Green Wall in the school premises is a deliberate effort designed to advance environmental sustainability, and cultivate a commitment to environmental responsibility among both students and staff.



Conserve My Planet Introduction session conducted for CMP ambassadors :

The session was graced by the presence of Mr. Dinesh Vachhani of Schneider Electric and Mr. Mayur Bhalerao, representative of the Sharp NGO. Mr. Vachhani emphasised the importance of sustainability and saving electricity. Mr. Bhalerao spoke about conserving our planet and moving towards a greener future. The students got to know about the 2 new R's - Refuse and Refurbish. It was indeed an insightful session !!



Green initiatives help to address urgent environmental challenges, mitigate climate change, and conserve natural resources. Our students participate enthusiastically in various initiatives conducted by **Team Green**, which instills a deep understanding of environmental issues, encouraging eco-friendly behaviors that extend beyond the classroom. A few initiatives are listed below :

Orange peel citrus cleaner :

The students of IEYC and CP I brought orange peels from home. Team Green volunteers visited the classrooms and spoke to our little IEYCians on how we can use the orange peels to make an eco friendly citric cleaner without use of any chemicals. This is an excellent way to promote sustainability and teach students about eco-friendly alternatives to conventional cleaning products.

- Financial literacy has been introduced this year in IGCSE with the objective to make students aware of managing money and various avenues to do so.



Green Team Initiatives

To celebrate **INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT DAY** students of CP I planted saplings in paper cups to raise awareness to promote



Here are some glimpses capturing the delicious pineapples from our very own school garden!



“Kids Saving Earth - Joining Hands for Nature”

IEYC students sowed the seeds of kindness to help the 'Mother Earth'. This hands-on-experience act helped kids to understand the importance of nurturing, compassion, and the positive ripple effects of their actions.

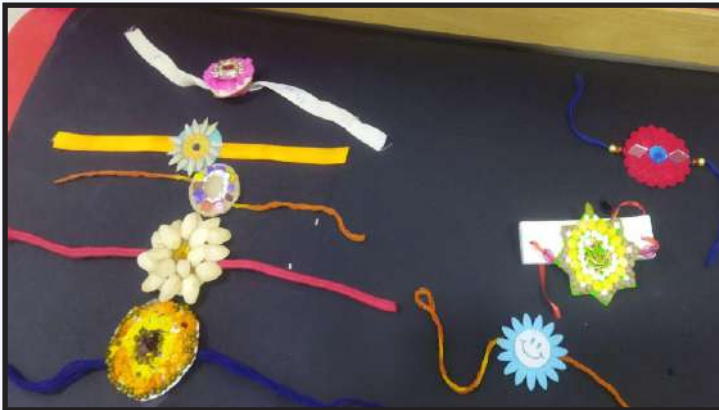


Green Team Initiatives

A few eco-friendly initiatives taken up by Team Green :
Eco-friendly Ganesha idol making competition :



Eco-friendly Rakhi making competition



CMP handouts & material distribution to Team Green Volunteers :



Green Team Initiatives

On the event of **World Conservation Day** The members of Team Green marked a significant step towards sustainability by transforming wrappers and bottles into eco-friendly bricks. The activity management team visited classrooms to promote this unique idea and encourage students to make these eco bricks for a new sitting area in our school ground.

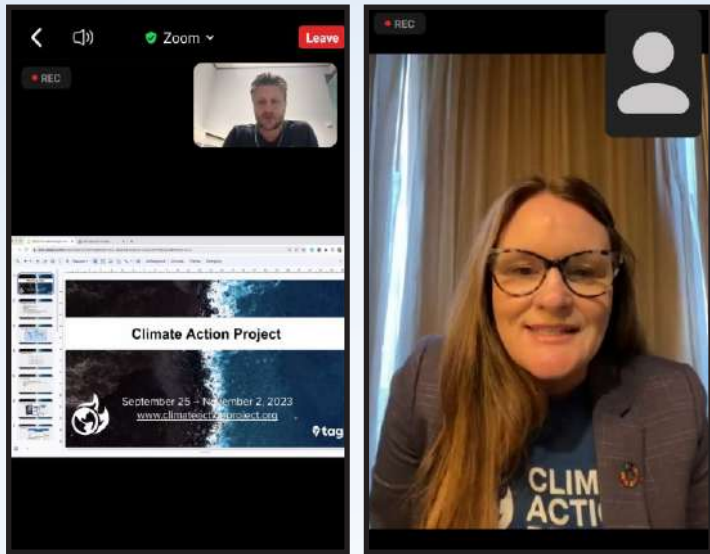


Plantation drive from Bunts Sangha's SM Shetty International School and Junior College

A plantation drive was organised in collaboration with Valiya College and Shiv Sahyadri Pratishthan, highlighting the power of teamwork. Our teachers participated enthusiastically contributing towards a Greener Planet. The students from Valiya College deserve special recognition for their unwavering dedication and invaluable support throughout the event. We planted 20 saplings during the event, including 5 Coconut trees, 5 Jackfruit trees, 5 Kesar Mango trees, and 5 Alphonso Mango trees, contributing to the greener future we aim to achieve.



Green Team Initiatives

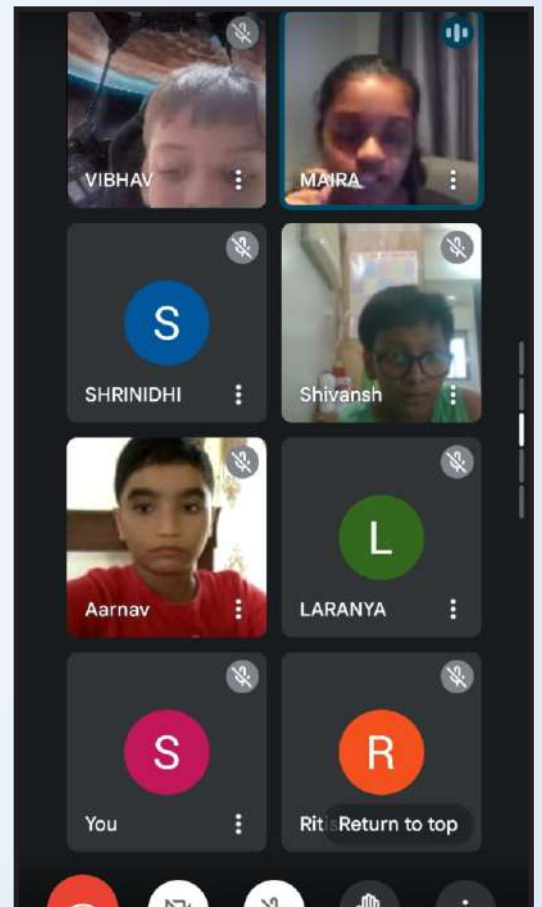


Climate Action Project kick-off meeting :

Climate Action Global coordinators, **Mr. Koen Trimmer & Ms. Jennifer Willaims** conducted an online training session for our Team Green Teachers which aimed to address the immediate needs of the global challenge of climate change. They reiterated the importance of reducing emissions, investing more in renewable energy sources etc. The main objective was to strengthen the resilience to climate change, encouraging green innovation and making a shift to a low carbon economy. Such sessions bring us a step closer to conserving our planet!

Team Green's inaugural session on 12th August 2023, provided essential insights to both Team Green and other members of the Team. During the online Google Meet session , Team Green students - **Maira Shaik, Aashi Mhatre, and Shivang Makhijani** - guided attendees, sharing plans and basic details for the academic year.

Team Green's core team highlighted key roles, responsibilities, and regulations, followed by a Q&A session. Monthly fun, creative, and environmental activities were introduced, allowing students to earn badges and positions based on creativity. Future Team Green initiatives were also discussed.



New Initiatives

There are a few new initiatives that we have started in school this year.

- The subject Global Perspectives which was successfully implemented in Checkpoint and IGCSE has been introduced in CP from this year. Global Perspectives helps students develop self-awareness of their own identity, culture, beliefs, and how they connect with the rest of the world.
- We have also introduced STEM education from CPI-V. It will help to develop skills like critical and analytical thinking and creativity, enabling them to think out of the box.
- After successfully implementing life skills in CP IV and V last year, we have introduced this program for CP I,II and III this year to provide opportunities for realising one's potential through practical experience.
- Financial literacy has been introduced this year in IGCSE with the objective to make students aware of managing money and various avenues to do so.



“The Career Lab”

The Alumni Meet on the 9th of August, 2023 was a resounding success, offering a platform for students from IGII, A Levels, and IBDP to engage with our ex students who are now exploring colleges and the industry landscape. A highlight was the introduction of interactive kiosks, fostering discussions on careers, college choices, and overcoming academic challenges. Alumni shared their insight on time management, goal achievement, and academic excellence. The event included forming an alumni committee, fun games, and nostalgic exchanges, reliving school memories. Principal, Ms. Mildred Lobo, also addressed the Alumni, highlighting the profound bond shared as a school and urging them to sustain their association while actively contributing to the growth of their peers. The internal Alumni relationship committee appointed -**IBDP student Talin Ram, Aaron John, AS students- Piyush Gurbani, Arya yadav and Rishu Jain** led the event. They will ensure continued school-alumni engagement through diverse activities. The newly elected President of the Alumni committee, **Ms. Ashwika Sangle** and Secretary, **Ms. Tiesha Verma**, addressed the audience, emphasizing the cultivation of robust connections and extending unwavering assistance to the school community.



“The Career Lab”

A session was conducted for our AS and A Level students on the 5th of April, led by our A Level alumni Shawana Mascarenhas and Ashwika Sangle. They shared insights on navigating the A Level programme and college applications, emphasizing effective study habits, time management and paper-solving tips. Icebreaker games initiated a positive and interactive atmosphere, setting the tone for valuable discussions on subject choices and Undergrad college application preparation.



On the 28th of March, a session led by A Level Alumni Shresht Prasad currently studying in Germany and IGCSE Alumni Devanshi Kumar provided students with insights into the field of computer science drawing from own experiences. Shresht shared his journey, detailing career choices, challenges faced, and the significance of education abroad. Discussions included emerging careers and technological trends, emphasizing the importance of course selection. Academic reflections highlighted the benefits of the A Level programme and strategies for overcoming challenges. Networking's significance in the field and tips for building profiles and managing study time effectively for academic success were emphasized.

“The Career Lab”

Campus Visit to Flame University

On 15th of April, 2024, the school organized a campus visit to Flame University, Pune that offers four year honours B.A., B.Sc., BBA and BDes undergraduate programs. The visit began with an introduction to the concept of liberal education, emphasizing the flexibility of choosing majors and minors according to personal interests. It also highlighted the significance of education that helps students become "industry ready" and make a significant impact in their chosen fields. The session also covered application deadlines and requirements, providing transparency for potential applicants. Interacting with Flame alumni offered personal insights into student life, adding value to the understanding of the university experience. The campus tour that followed allowed students to see the facilities up close, giving them a taste of the university's dynamic environment. Through such initiatives the school aims to deepen student engagement, reinforcing its commitment to comprehensive education.



“The Career Lab”

Cialfo User session was conducted for students of grades AS and IBDP I on 26th of June,2023. This is part of our comprehensive Career Guidance program. Through this session students were guided on -

- 1. Managing student information and documents from the perspective of making college applications on the platform.**
- 2. Coordinating with the school counselor on the Platform.**
- 3. Availing the latest information on colleges and universities across the globe on College search feature on the platform**
- 4. Direct Apply feature that facilitates Counseling help for US universities and direct chat with Cialfo team and University representatives.**



On 13th of July, they also conducted an informative session on-"Exploring Global Opportunities,"for students of A Level and IBDP, which provided crucial information about applying for overseas education in several locations like- UK , USA,Canada, Germany and Europe.

Students of IBDP and A-level attended a session was held on 28th of August 2023 that highlighted full-tuition & partial scholarships at US Colleges like Goucher College, University of Wyoming, and Marymount Manhattan College. Along with experiential Learning and flexible programmes , these colleges also provide interested students with valuable opportunities for their academic advancement. Collegy, also offers the Collegy's student Impact Fellowship programme that helps students with building extra-curriculars preparing them for their College applications to USA.Our endeavor is to present a plethora of opportunities, empowering students with choices that illuminate their path to higher education.



“The Career Lab”

A career fair was organized on 22nd of August 2023 in collaboration with KIC to provide students with invaluable insights into higher education opportunities in the United States. The sessions conducted by representatives from Babson College, Miami University, Savannah College of Art and Design, The University of Iowa, University of Pittsburgh, and Wabash College were very informative.



On Monday, September 25th, students of IBDP and A levels had the privilege of attending a Statement of Purpose (SOP) session conducted by an experienced speaker, Ms. Kala Anand. Ms. Anand has over two decades of experience specializing in International Education. The session offered insights into crafting an exceptional personal statement and guided students on the content, structure, and key elements that make an SOP stand out in the highly competitive college admissions process.



“The Career Lab”

Indian University Career Fair on November 3, 2023

The school organized an Indian University Career Fair on November 3, 2023 where 29 Indian Universities participated offering important insights into courses, programs, information and scholarships. This event informed and supported students and parents helping them understanding their career choices to plan towards their career goals.



On the 18th of July, 2023, Monash University India representative conducted a session with students of A level and IBDP where students were encouraged to explore Australia for undergraduate studies as a destination.



On August 10th, 2023, Plaksha University conducted an informative session for IBDP and A-level students. The event focused on futuristic careers and the role of technology in shaping them.



“Empowering Teachers”

An enriching and informative session on **Underpinning Key Pedagogies of First Language English Resources** was conducted by **Ms. Achamma Mathew** and **Ms. Manisha Nanda** on **April 12th 2024**, for the English teachers in both the CP section and lower secondary. The session delved into the Cambridge curriculum framework, strategies for optimizing Cambridge resources, and valuable teaching practices.



Cambridge Professional Development Qualification

With the revival of the Cambridge PDQ centre, the teachers pursuing the Cambridge International Certificate in Teaching and Learning (CICTL) have got immense opportunities to not only learn from their peers through collaborative activities and discussions, but also enhance their pedagogical techniques which in turn improve their classroom practices. The Cambridge CICTL provides a strong framework to support the effective continuing professional development of teachers.

It helps teachers to: engage critically with relevant concepts, principles, theories and international best practices apply new ideas and approaches in reflective practice in their own teaching and learning context evaluate experiences and outcomes to plan further development improve the quality of their teaching to enhance the quality of their learners' learning.



“Empowering Teachers”

Ms. Caroline Ananth was invited by the Kotak Education Foundation as a chief guest for the Annual collaboration day. She gave certificates for the best performances of the students from KEF.



On the 15th of April, 2024, Dr Harish Shetty, renowned psychiatrist, and speaker, conducted a captivating session focusing on how memories influence present life and behavioural patterns. Through his unique approach, Dr. Shetty seamlessly interwove humorous anecdotes from Bollywood with insightful reflections on the significance of memories.



Workshop on Chat GPT by Ms Namrata Saxena, Assistant Professor, Education and Early Years Programme Director, Pillai Group of Institutions.

On June 27, 2023, a session highlighted Chat GPT's advantages for teachers, revolutionizing assessment, planning, and communication. Ms. Namrata Saxena showcased creating MCQs, assignments, personalized lessons, and efficient messaging, amplifying teaching effectiveness. We express our heartfelt gratitude to Ms. Namrata for sharing her insights and expertise on Chat GPT's potential in boosting teaching practices and productivity.



“Empowering Teachers”

Yeh Philosophy hai Japani, Yeh School hai Hindustani

A transformational workshop to explore the Japanese philosophies of life in the Indian context in general and schools in specific was conducted by Dr. Harish Shetty – an eminent Psychiatrist along with Dr. Sandeep Singh- an educationist, exclusively for the teachers of Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty Educational institutions. It was a show of amalgamation of personal life stories from Japan experienced by Dr. Sandeep Singh with the life skill lessons by Dr. Harish Shetty in an interactive and lively environment. Key learnings from the workshop

:

Service begins at home. Let's be grateful to our students, parents and people around us. Things will change when the heads and HODs in schools and Colleges start practicing Omotenashi by welcoming the students at the gates. When students feel valued, they will value everyone. This will change the whole atmosphere around us.

Every moment is important. In search of a big moment, let us not miss the infinite tiny moments around us. Joy is a right. Let's use our right to the maximum. Simple things are more powerful. Practice mindfulness. Practice Ichigo- Ichie. Live in the present. Be the hunter of moments in life.

Everything can't be changed as per our wish. We have to live with what is given to us and feel happy about it. Togetherness builds a school, builds a country. Tackle the tough realities of life with positivity and team efforts. Present time of difficulty shall also pass. Let's develop resilience. Let's practice Shikata- ga- nai.

Search for the purpose of life is a lifelong activity. Purpose of life is an intersection of 'what you love', 'what are you good at', 'what will make you earn' and 'what does the world around you need from you'. Be honest to yourself while searching for the answers to these questions. This is Ikigai.

The teachers also shared their experiences and thoughts to connect with the philosophies.

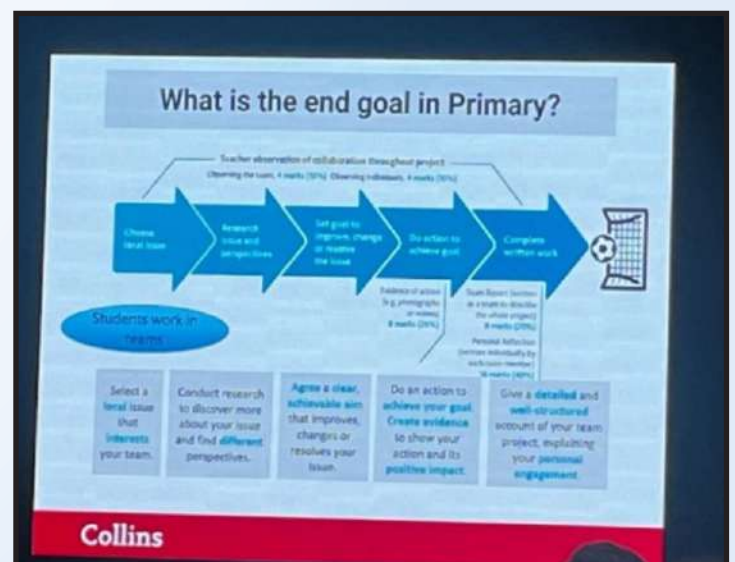


“Empowering Teachers”

The Global Perspective training session on April 18, 2024, led by facilitators Ms. Achama Mathew and Ms. Madhvi Nagviskar, was incredibly enlightening for teachers. Their engaging approach, well-structured content, and insightful guidance fostered lively discussions and promoted active learning. They demonstrated effective teaching methods, maintained clear communication, and ensured a welcoming atmosphere throughout, resulting in a highly beneficial workshop.



On 14th September, Collins International had organised a Cambridge Global Perspective workshop in Elpro International school, Pune. The day-long session was attended by Ms. Nilambari Kolwalkar, Ms. Raksha Shetty, Ms. Dhanashri Kamate, and Ms. Sandhya Nair. The workshop was designed to introduce the concept of global perspectives as a comprehensive multi-skill course. The Key speakers, Dr. Elaine Higgleton, International Publisher UK, Collins Learning & Mrs. Manju Surendran, Collins Resource Person provided insights on the effective ways to conduct the lessons in the classroom, skill focus, how to check the authenticity of an information, assessment in check point, and how to integrate this approach within educational institutions. Overall it was an enriching and inspiring session.



“Empowering Teachers”

Enhancing IBDP Extended Essay Assessment: A Unified Approach

IBDP educators recently met to enhance their grasp of extended essay assessment criteria. They collectively evaluated a sample essay to create evaluation consistency and transparency. These discussions and shared grading provided insights for aligning assessments with criteria, preserving the IBDP program's integrity, and benefiting students and educators.



Initiatives for staff welfare- Health Check-up Camp on Women's Day-

On the occasion of International Women's Day, a Health Check-up Camp was organized on 11th March 2024, to celebrate and prioritize the well-being of women. The camp aimed to provide health screenings and consultations. With the participation of experienced healthcare professionals and volunteers, women of all ages were encouraged to attend and take charge of their health. The event fostered empowerment and awareness, ensuring that women had access to vital information and resources to lead healthier lives.



“Empowering Teachers”

The annual staff picnic was held on 20th April, 2024, at Shangri-La Resort. The day was filled with relaxation and camaraderie, with the refreshing pool being the highlight of the event. The lush surroundings provided a perfect backdrop for the staff to take a break from their daily routines and enjoy some leisure time. Various engaging games were organized to foster team spirit and laughter throughout the day. We extend our sincere gratitude to the school management for their thoughtful organization, which ensured that every staff member had a memorable outing.




On 27th April 2024, Dr. Prathashwini Shetty delivered a comprehensive session on cervical cancer prevention to teaching and non-teaching female staff. Dr Shetty addressed the relevance of HPV infection as a key risk factor, emphasising the necessity of frequent screenings and immunisations. She explained the HPV transmission mechanism and emphasised the need for Pap smears, HPV testing, and vaccinations for early identification and prevention. Dr Shetty empowered attendees to prioritise their health and take proactive steps by fostering open dialogue and dispelling myths.



“Empowering Teachers”

Breast Cancer Awareness Session

Our school hosted a Breast Cancer Awareness Session for the teachers on 1st May 2024. The session aimed to educate faculty members about breast cancer prevention, detection, and support resources. Led by Dr. Saneya Pandrowala Shetty, an Oncologist, at Tata Memorial Hospital, the session covered topics such as risk factors, early signs, screening methods, and lifestyle choices that may reduce the risk of breast cancer. Teachers actively engaged in learning about the importance of regular screenings and self-examinations. Overall, the event fostered a supportive environment for dialogue and empowerment, equipping teachers with valuable knowledge to promote breast health within the school community.



Management of Bunts Sangha's
S M Shetty Educational Institutions, Powai
has Organised a
**Breast Cancer
Awareness Session**
by
Dr. Saneya Pandrowala Shetty
MBBS, MS (General Surgery), MCh Surgical Oncology (Tata Memorial Hospital), DNB Surgical Oncology, HPB Surgical Oncology fellowship (Tata Memorial Hospital), MRCS (Edinburgh).
in
Association with
Dr. Chintan Hegde
(Medical Sub Committee Chairman-PEC 2023-26)

Day and Date: Wednesday, 1st May 2024
Time: 8:30 am onwards
**Venue: R N Shetty Indoor Auditorium
(Bunts Sangha's
S M Shetty Educational Institutions
Complex)**



MISA FACILITATORS

Some of our teachers took part in leading sessions during the MISA event, hosted by the International Schools' Association, aimed at fostering collaboration and knowledge exchange within the teaching community. Specifically, Ms. Neetha Shetty guided the session on English ESL, Ms. Ranjit Kaur Banwait facilitated discussions on Business Studies, Ms. Anukthi Poojari shared insights on Environmental Management, and Ms. Shraddha Wagle led the session focused on Biology.

“Empowering Teachers”

MISA - Members of the International School Association,

is a platform where experienced teachers share their expertise on their subject with others through the CELL MEETS. Four of our teachers were MISA Facilitators for their respective subjects this year and shared their knowledge with other teachers from Mumbai.

Ms. Neetha P Shetty was the MISA facilitator for English(ESL Beginners)

Ms. Shraddha Wagle was the facilitator for Biology (Advanced)

Ms. Ranjeet Kaur was the facilitator for Business studies (Advanced)

Ms. Anukthi Poojari was the facilitator for Environmental Management (Beginners and Advanced)



A poetry writing competition for teachers, an initiative by the English Department, was organized, inviting entries in any language. Teachers showcased their creativity and linguistic skills, submitting diverse and inspiring poems. The event celebrated the artistic talents of teachers, fostering a vibrant literary community and encouraging the integration of poetry in education.

Winners :

First Position - Ms. Harleen Kaur - Echoes of Mortality

Second Position - Ms. Harleen Kaur - life of a Military Wife

Third Position - Ms. Hitiksha Thakar- Echoes of Warrior's soul

Ms. Ritika Pujabi and Ms. Poonam Mhatre received Special Mention.



“Empowering Teachers”

Empowering Collaboration: IBDP Faculties Unite at SAIBSA Job Alike Sessions 2024

In a dynamic gathering of IBDP educators from SMSISJC, the SAIBSA Job Alike Sessions 2024 fostered a spirit of collaboration and innovation. Led by seasoned IB teachers and coordinators, the sessions provided a platform for exchanging ideas, best practices, and solutions to common challenges. Under the guidance of Mr. Kaiser Dopaishi, President of SAIBSA, participants engaged in interactive workshops aimed at enhancing their understanding of the IB philosophy. The event, held on January 27 was a testament to the enriching learning experiences that arise from collective expertise and shared dedication to excellence in education.

An orientation session on SHIN Program, a Japanese style experiential holistic group learning program was conducted by Mr Takehiro Nakamura for CP teachers on 30th, April 2024. This program has the potential to significantly enhance not only children's academic skills but also their non-cognitive abilities.



“Teacher’s Article”

To my father

A year ago, we said goodbye
Strange as it felt I did not cry
For I knew that a life lived with so much grace
Could head nowhere but to God's own place

You laughed, you sang, you valiantly fought
And through it all rich lessons you taught
Countless lives were touched along the way
Warm memories we hold right to this day

A special day it is today
And I know it will stay that way
For though you're gone and we miss you so
You watch over us and this we know

So rest in peace my precious Dad
You're in my heart, I won't be sad

- Dr Mildred Lobo



Echoes of a Warrior's Soul

Within her beats a flame, an indomitable warrior she stands! Amidst the tempests, she's weathered, emerging triumphant, hailed by the world as resilient, yet beneath the surface, does her strength truly dwell? In the silent depths of night, tears flow ceaselessly, a silent symphony to the rhythm of rain and thunder. Each drop a testament to the battles fought within, buried under the soft embrace of pillows, though remnants linger like dew on morning petals.

Days stretch into eternity, pondering the promise of a brighter tomorrow, where hope whispers of distant shores. Yet time, a cruel spectre, merely passes, without balm for wounds nor solace for souls.

Alone, she treads the labyrinth of existence amidst a sea of faces, grappling with the weight of her journey. Yet, in the solitude of her own company, she finds solace, each moment a testament to her inner valour, her essence illuminated with each passing breath.

Indeed, she is a warrior, her courage etched in the silent struggles of self-discovery. The spark within her, a beacon in the darkness, guiding her through the labyrinth of life.

-By Hitiksha Thakar



“Teacher’s Article”

Overwhelmed by Technology

My granddaughter struggles, every time she thinks,
The cell phone next to her always blinks ;-)
She is very busy whole day around,
She has no food, no sleep so sound.



She is sometimes happy, sometimes mad,
She doesn't meet many friends, she had.
I don't find her reading any book,
She clicks a selfie and experiments with her look.

Her room is a showroom of gadgets all kind,
Oh! I wonder if she really uses her mind.
All her doubts are solved by Google,
When hungry, she grabs 'ready to eat' noodle.

She often spends time, humming a song,
Her tiny music player has a cord very long.
Now-a-days, she doesn't have anything to share,
She often fails to realize her grandma's care.

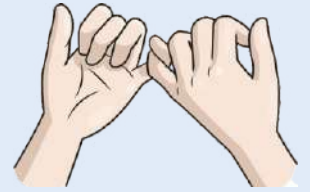
My house is full of shining goods so heavy,
With a warning, 'Do not touch', if you aren't tech-savvy'
She shops online, on Amazon, Flipcart and Quicqr,
She expresses herself only on Face book and Twitter.

An 'Apple' of today is not edible anyway,
Thank you Steve, for the 'i- Jobs', we need not say.
My joint pain and sprains now, a massager cures,
It has a brand name, 'Digitally yours'.

Last night, I found my granddaughter write,
I looked at her with a horrifying fright.
She had an assignment which made her think,
At the far end of her table, I saw her cell phone blink ;-)

- Kavita Modak

A promise



I will help you, walk a mile
I will always be wearing a smile
However I am, weak or agile.
I promise I will be there.

You may soar high in your flight
I am as your strength in your fight
Be strong and determined with all your might,
I promise I will be there.

It is a delight to see you grow
Finding happiness in every sorrow
You are the reap of what I did sow
I promise I will be there.

With your skills thrive through the tempest wild
The storm out there will not be mild
I'll behold you, my child.
I promise I will be there.

Calm sea never creates a good sailor
Let every surge bow to your valor
Experience is your lesson, teacher is your failure.
I promise I will be there.

From right and wrong, you can now judge,
When on the truth's side, do not budge,
Go easy on the path that you choose to trudge
I am waving at you from somewhere.

But with the time, if you miss my care
To take a step u gather dare
I m rest assured I made you prepare,
For the time I may not be there . . .

- Kavita Modak

“Teacher’s Article”

And I prevail ...

Amidst the storm

I prevail...

The chaos is too loud and disruptive

I am determined

I prevail...

Amongst the friends and the foes and the ups and the lows

I prevail...

I pay the price for my invisible crown

I pay the price for my indomitable spirit

I pay the price for my brutal sincerity

And I prevail...

Why wouldn't I?

My womb bore love

My bosom nurtured life

My being raised humanity

I am Energy Empowered

I am Earnestness Ensconced

I am Eccentricity Electrifying

I am the source of life

Amongst the blood and the scars and the pain and the deceit and the love and the warmth and the affection

I prevail...

'cause I am nature's favourite creation

And I was created to Prevail...

- Neetha Shetty



A Dreamscape!

In the silent hours when darkness reigns & stars alights,
I tend to take a fearless flight.

Entering a world yet obscure
hoping to find a cure, the ultimate allure.

An escape from the reality
and a journey to the realms of vitality.
Here, I find my truest form
in the dance of life's sweet storm.

Through the mysteries of the night I soar,
seeking answer yet, I've to explore.
In the phase where dreams interwine,
I find solace, peace & divine.

The fear I behold
is from the past untold.
It feels being freed
like a growing seed.

In dreams, let's soar & our spirits align
No fines to fret, just dreams pure & prime.
I develop a happy soul,
within a humanitarian role.

- Ms. Ritika Punjabi



“Teacher’s Article”

ECHOES OF MORTALITY

In the grand theatre of life, we strut and we stride, Our egos inflated, our hearts filled with pride.

But amidst all the glory, the applause and acclaim, We forget that we are mere Mortal, just players in the game, The day will come, to put an end to all the fame.

We build towering castles, reaching for the sky, But in the blink of an eye, they crumble and die. For time is a master, relentless and true, Health and growing age pardons just few, It humbles the mighty and levels the view.

So remember, you kings and you queens, High ups and position holders who turn mean, Your empires are fleeting, mere fragments of all. No matter how high you may climb or fall, Remember, dear Mortals, life balances it all.

For in the end, when the life's curtain does close, It's not wealth or power that truly compose. It's the love that we shared, the kindness we spread, The noble deeds we did, the people we helped, Will echoes through time long after we're dead.

So let go of our ego, embrace what is real, For mortality is the great equalizers seal. In the tapestry of life, we're but threads in the weave, So cherish each moment, and learn to believe, Life is a great leveller and our thrones would be bereaved.



-Harleen kaur

Life of a Military Wife

In a whirlwind of change our journey unfolds
As we follow the path where the duty beholds.
Gathering and packing our life in a case
Each move brings new challenges we must embrace.

From to city shore to shore
We traverse the world seeking something more.
With boxes and bags memories in tow
We bid farewell to the life we used to know.

Where amidst the chaos a strength is found,
In the courage to adapt to the new ground.
Each home we create with love and care,
Any MES house we transform beyond compare.

Through the tears of goodbye, we hope to find a friend new,
In the friendships we forget with hearts pure and true.
Amongst strangers we find closest family and kin,
In the camaraderie of those who have also been.

We overcome the challenges, with grace and poise,
Following the ebb and flow the resilience deploys.
Though distance may separate our hearts remain near,
In the bonds we share laughter and tear.

So here's to the life of a military wife strong and bold,
Whose strength knows no bound in the stories untold.
Through the twists and turns of this nomadic life,
She shines as a beacon through joy and strife.



-Harleen kaur

“Teacher's Article”

चुकणं.....

आयुष्य जगताना आपला अंदाज
तसा नेहमी चुकत असतो...
चुकल्यामुळे अंदाज हा
संधी आपण हुकत असतो ...
चुकत माकत असताना
"जगणं" आपण शिकत असतो...

श्वासागणिक रोज आपण
'तडजोड' ही करतच असतो...
तडजोडींतून, आपल्याच चुकांतून
बरंच काही शिकत असतो...
'अनुभव ' नावाचा मास्तर
सतत आपल्या सोबत असतो...

म्हणूनच... कितीही चुकलो तरी म्हणतात
ना....
चुकणं हा मनुष्याचा गुणधर्मच असतो.

चुकत नाही तो माणूस कसला?
असं आपल्याला सांगून जातात....
चुका आपल्याला खरंखुरं "माणूसपण" देऊन
जातात.....



Embracing Culture and Values: The Cornerstones of a Student's Journey

In the mosaic of a student's educational journey, amidst the academics, extracurricular activities, and friendships, lies a crucial yet often overlooked foundation: culture and values. These intangible elements shape not only the individual but also the entire community, influencing perspectives, behaviours, and aspirations.

Culture, in its rich diversity, encompasses traditions, languages, and customs that define a community's identity. It serves as a reservoir of collective wisdom, passed down through generations, grounding students in a sense of belonging and heritage. When students engage with their cultural roots, whether through celebrations, language studies, or historical explorations, they forge a deeper connection to their own identity and the world around them. Values, on the other hand, are the guiding principles that navigate students through life's complexities. Integrity, empathy, respect, and resilience are not mere words but virtues instilled through daily interactions, modelled by parents and teachers and reinforced by peers. These values serve as ethical compasses, steering students towards responsible decision-making, fostering inclusive relationships, and nurturing a positive school climate.

Culture and values are not peripheral to education but intrinsic to shaping well-rounded individuals. As educators and parents, our role extends beyond imparting knowledge; we are custodians of culture and values. Let's encourage our children to speak their mother tongue and appreciate our rich and culture and heritage. Together, let us continue to champion the transformative power of culture and values in shaping the minds, hearts, and futures of our students.

At S M Shetty International School and Jr College, we acknowledge this and integrate value based education with our curriculum to build not just scholars, but compassionate citizens prepared to contribute meaningfully to a global society.

IGCSE Coordinator
Neetha Shetty

"Glimpse into IEYC"

Field Trip



Janmashtami



"Glimpse into IEYC"

Joy of Giving



Navaratri Celebration



Non- fire cooking



Show and Tell

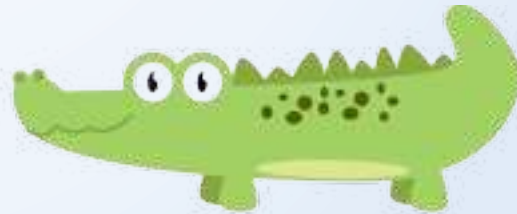
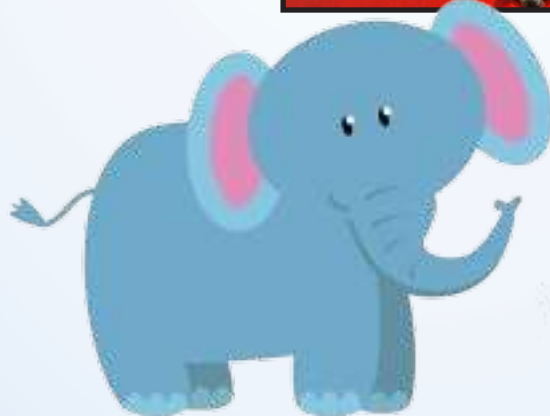


Rakhi Celebration



"Glimpse into IEYC"

World Animal Day



Glimpse into IEYC

IEYC Magazine- 2024-25

No Bag Day



Story Telling Session



Chocolate day



French day



Yoga day



Mother language day



Glimpse into IEYC

Entry point



Valentines day



Friendship day celebration



Letterland party



World wild life day



Potluck party



Navratri celebration



Diwali party



Glimpse into IEYC

Joy of giving



Janmashtami Celebration



World animal day



Grandparents Day



Raksha bandhan



Teachers day



Ladoo making



Glimpse into IEYC

IEYC I

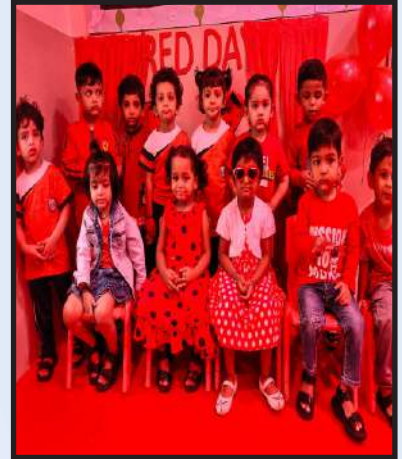
**Stellar surprise
Moonbeam Adventure**



My planet earth



Red day



Vroom vroom buggy



Starry nights



Day and night



Routine rhythms



Space restaurant



Imaginary planet



Glimpse into IEYC

Fish aquarium



Scuba diving



Trip tap to the beat



Rectangle



Messy marvel



Non fire cooking



Yellow day



Glimpse into IEYC

Animal play



IEYCII

Desert safari



**Black and white
animal adventure**



Ice Igloo Adventure



Nest weaving



Polar adventure



Save animal campaign



Street safari



Aeroplane



Sail away



Magnetic marvel Railway setup



Glimpse into IEYC

Triangle collage



**IEYC II
camping**



sun and sand play time



IEYC III

Cricket



Full-o-sand



Hockey



Snakes and ladder



Sports Equipments



A Small Bug, Big Fun!



Glimpse into IEYC

Picture talk



Ants' Colorful Creations



Reflective Butterflies



Clay Minibeasts



Butterfly Journey



The Pollination Connection



Pond life



Bottle bugs



Minibeast party



Glimpse into IEYC

Sensory organ



Heartbeat connection



learning about Emotions



Better Teeth Better Health



Hand Hygiene



Skeleton safari



**Designed and crafted
key for their house**



Wonders of worms

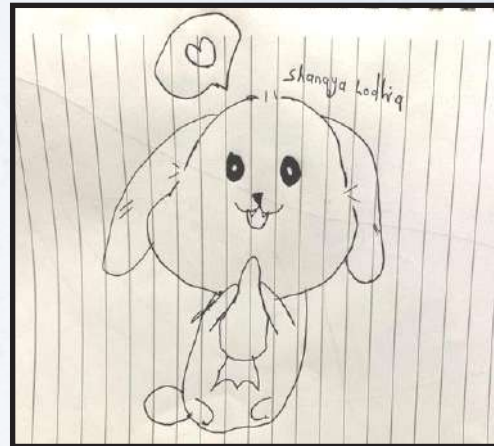
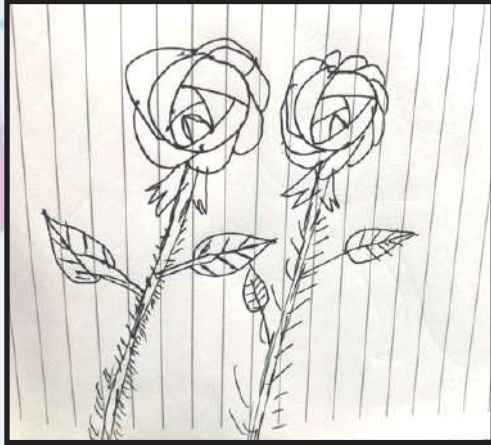


Sense organ - Ear



Artists _ Gallery

Shanaya Lodhia CP 2



Shanaya Lodhia CP 2



Ovi Satam CP I



Riyansh



Artists _ Gallery

Tisha Rusia CP 3



Tirtha Sajaikumar



Rushil Sajaikumar

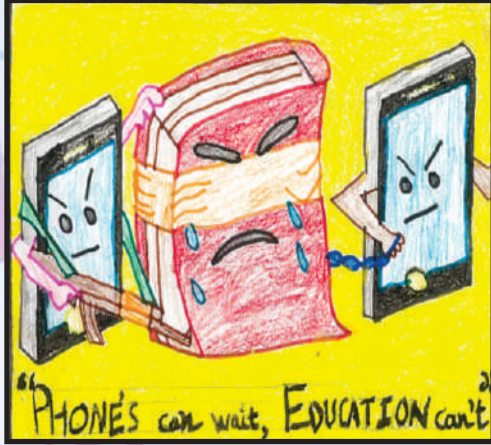


Aadvay Sashankar



Artists _ Gallery

Gitisha Shetty CP 2



Ritika Kaninde



DAKSH BHOSALE



MeghmalaBiswas



MeghmalaBiswas



Kanak Mishra CP 1A



MeghmalaBiswas



Dhrishti Mishra CP 1A



Artists _ Gallery

Naiisha Gandhi



Aadya Menon



Kayana Jain CP1B



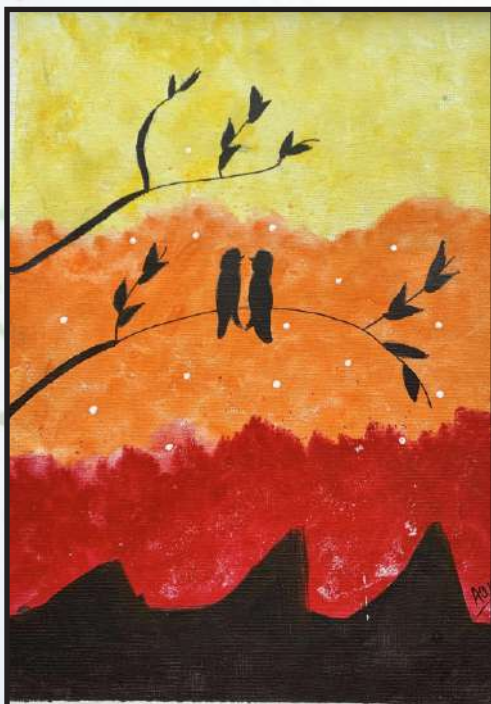
Ananya Lobo



Aarohi Kadam



Aanya Thakkar Chkpt 1



Raza Irfan CHKPT 2

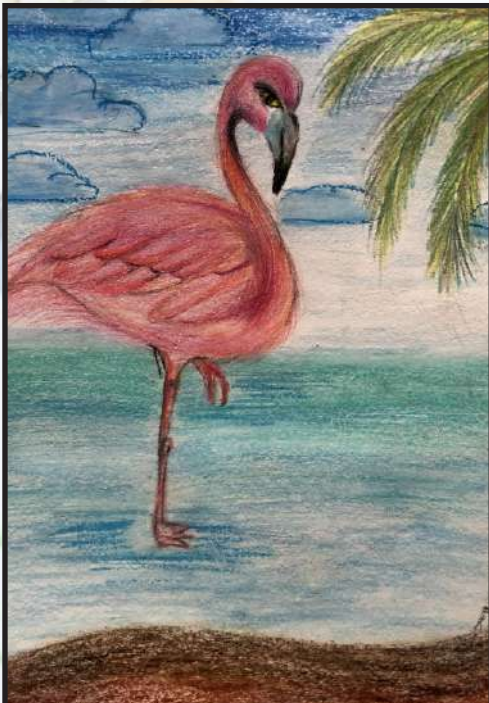


Artists _ Gallery

Dhriti Kothari



Laranya Satpathy Pre-IG B



Artists _ Gallery

Ananya Das Gupta - CP III A



Eva Naik - CP I B



Divya Juneja - CP IV B



Faiya - CP I C



Artists _ Gallery

Prisha Sood - CP V D



Ridhima Deb - CP III- C



Wall Hanging - CP V



Shanaya Khate - CP III A



Artists _ Gallery

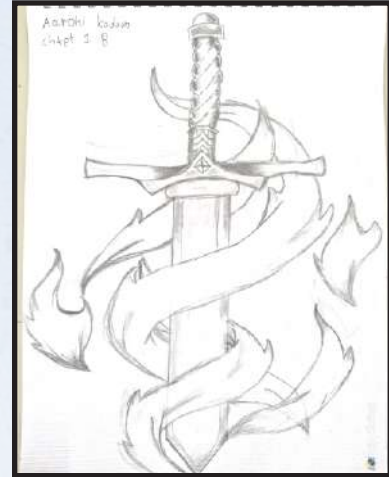
Anika Shetty Chckpt 1 B



Arohi Kadam ch 1



Arohi Kadam chpt 1



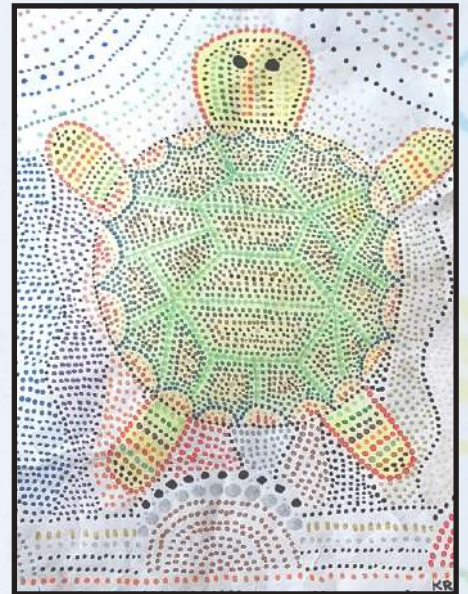
Daisy Fernandes



Divya Daga IG



Kristina Chpt 3



Driti kothari 2



Driti kothari 3



Artists _ Gallery

Ishita Kotian chpt 1



Kiarah Edroos Chpt 3



Laranya Satpathy IG 1



Tvarita art work



Shruti Pol Chpt 1 A



Shruti Pol Chpt 1 A



Moksha Gupta 2



Artists _ Gallery

Pearl Jain chpt 1

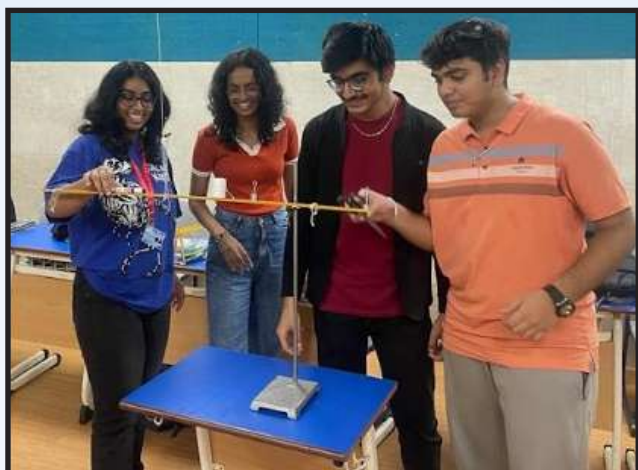


Dot Art Days

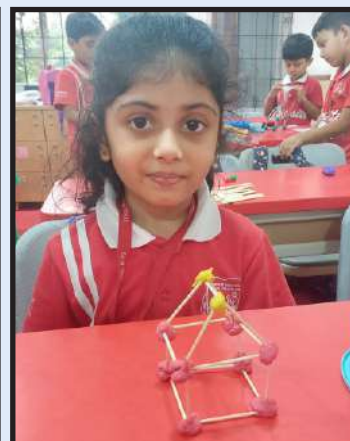


Active Learning

On 18th July 2023, Students of AS performed an activity in the classroom on 'Moment of force' using material available in the classroom.



" Designing and Making a 3D-House Model as a part of STEM learning "



AS Chemistry students learning Valence Shell Electron Pair Repulsion Theory. Molecular modeling helped in visualising the shape of different molecules.



"Exploring Shadows"



"Geoboard for exploring 2D-Shapes"



"Fun with Magnets"



Active Learning

Experiencing culture and flavours through "Bhatukli" - a cooking game activity by CP IV students in Marathi class.



In the Grade 4 class, students actively engaged in a lesson on **flower anatomy** by bringing in flowers for hands-on learning. Through this activity, they gained a comprehensive understanding of the different parts of a flower and their functions.



Grade 3 students had an active and engaging session as they explored the **Life of Early Humans and their Innovations** through a hands-on activity where they made tools used by early humans using play dough and a raft using popsicle sticks.



Active Learning

Engaging Minds for Deeper Understanding.

Active learning revolutionizes the educational experience by transforming students from passive recipients to active participants. This method encourages a deeper understanding of subjects, making the learning process both intellectually stimulating and enjoyable.

Humanities



CP III students worked collaboratively, researching, collecting and presenting information while learning about "Our Universe". They also had hands-on experience as they explained the day and night process using a torch and a globe while learning about "Earth: It's Surface and Movements".

Grade 4 students performing activity -
To find the pitch (how that depends on
the level of water)



Grade 5 students performing experiment with concave and convex lens



Grade 5 students performing activity
on refraction - optical illusion



Active Learning

The students of Checkpoint I are acquiring skills in crafting travel articles through the analysis and annotation of travel blogs and articles sourced from a variety of websites and magazines. This activity aims to enhance the students' understanding of the characteristics and styles of travel writing.



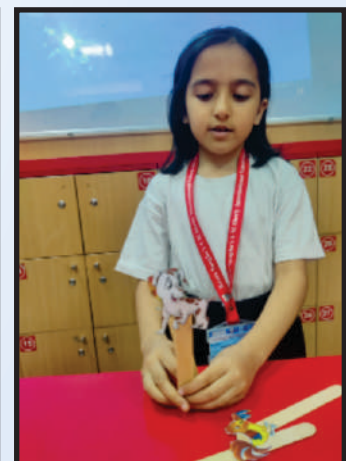
CP IV : Persuasive Writing Activity



Grade III: Information Text activity



Grade II : Story Telling



Active Learning

Teachers from both the English and French departments came together for a collaborative session in Checkpoint I classes. They talked about French words that are used in English.



In their Global Perspective class, the children of Checkpoint I made informative posters about topics like Migration.



CP II students engaged in an activity centered around identifying and reading words. This exercise aims to enhance student's ability to recognize words and distinguish them based on their respective vowel markings.



World Population Day Debate: Overpopulation - A Boon or a Curse?

On the occasion of World Population Day, we organized an engaging and thought-provoking debate on the topic of "Overpopulation: Boon or Curse?" The debate was intense, and students presented compelling evidence and perspectives. Participants and the audience engaged in lively discussions, recognizing the importance of striking a balance between population growth and environmental protection.



Active Learning

On February 28th, 2024, CP II learners engaged in the "Varnamala Identifying Activity"



Students of CP IV engaged in an enriching activity focused on Indian Festivals and their significance. The objective was twofold: to enhance their Hindi speaking skills and foster a sense of unity within the class.



IBDP-1 Physics Students Decode Velocity-Time Graphs by using sensors!"
Step into the world of physics with our IBDP-1 students as they use advanced motion sensors to unravel the secrets of velocity-time graphs!
These young scholars are digging into how speed changes over time, connecting classroom lessons to the real world.



Exploring Absorbance with Colorimeter Sensors in Chemistry class



Active Learning

Students of IGCSE I visited the school ground and learnt about idioms in Hindi through the game of Dumb Charades. Active Learning for longer retention and assimilation is a regular feature at our school.



Debate conducted in IG I ESL class. Topic was - Is social media doing more harm than good? Both groups presented the positive and negative effects of using social media. The depth of their analysis and the ability to consider diverse perspectives was commendable.



Circle time in IGCSE I - Global Perspectives class. Students spoke about their fears or what makes them uncomfortable.



A collaborative math and art project titled "Number Art" was conducted for CP I students wherein they were taught to creatively depict various shapes and figures using numbers ranging from 1 to 9.



CP II students immersed themselves in active learning, gaining hands-on experience with concepts such as length, area, perimeter, mass, capacity, and temperature.



Active Learning

Students of CP 3 did an activity on Fractions topic where they made fraction houses out of origami paper, which helped them recall the concept of fractions.



CP I students had an immersive, hands-on learning opportunity as they crafted various landforms from clay, simultaneously delving into the STEM subject of different geographical features.



The Movie Club event for students of Grades III, IV, and V was a huge success and had a profound effect on our young audience. It succeeded in fostering meaningful conversations and giving our young learners a great cinematic experience. Through the screening of three captivating movies, "The Snowman," "Tokri," and "The Red Balloon," we aimed to stimulate the young minds, encourage critical thinking, and instill valuable life lessons that will resonate with them for years to come.

During an active learning session in CP II, students created an 'Emotion Wheel' to articulate their feelings in various situations and proposed solutions for coping with them, all within the context of the STEM topic of emotions and feelings.



In CP II STEM class focusing on the topic sound, students embarked on a creative project where they crafted musical instruments using recycled materials.

