



Bunts Sangha's
S M Shetty International School & Junior College
 AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

THE BUZZ

DECEMBER, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY



Road To Success

Dr. Mildred Lobo, the Principal, recently obtained her Ph.D. with a dissertation titled "A Critical Examination of Cultivating Kindness Attributes Through Collaborative Activities at the Middle School Level in the 21st Century." This innovative research emphasizes the significance of holistic education in nurturing kindness among students, aiming to shape a future generation capable of contributing positively to society. Congratulations !



Our school was honored with the prestigious **Sustainable Schools Award at the Cambridge Schools Conclave Goa on February 15th and 16th, 2024.** This award, part of the Cambridge School Recognition Awards, celebrates schools in South Asia for their dedication to sustainability.



दृष्टिक्षेपात

कविचरी : शेही स्कूलच्या विद्यार्थ्यांनी 'कॅम्ब्रिज शाश्वत शाळा पुरस्कार २०२४' सार्थक नऊ बक्षिसे मिळवली.

एस. एम. शेही इंटरनॅशनल स्कूलला 'कॅम्ब्रिज शाश्वत शाळा पुरस्कार'

कविचरी (पुणे) येथील 'कॅम्ब्रिज शाश्वत शाळा पुरस्कार' देऊन मान्यता आहे. शाळेने साकारलेल्या पर्यावरणसंबंधित विविध उपक्रमांच्या अंमलबजावणी हा पुरस्कार १५ व १६ फेब्रुवारी रोजी नोंदवत झालेल्या कॅम्ब्रिज स्कूल कॉन्फरन्सच्या तालीने देण्यात आला. साकारत झालेला पुरस्कार मिळवण्याच्या जागेची ओळख शाळाच्या विविध पर्यावरणसुलभ उपक्रम व पद्धतींचा सारांश देणारा आणि विद्यार्थ्यांना हसित विविध देणे याला अर्थवहीत आहे. शेही इंटरनॅशनल स्कूलला हा पुरस्कार त्यांच्या विविध पर्यावरणसंबंधित उपक्रमांमुळे देण्यात आला आहे. पत्रवार्तेने सातत्याने विद्यार्थ्यांनी 'कॅम्ब्रिज शाश्वत शाळा पुरस्कार २०२४' या अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्पर्धेमध्ये एकूण १८ देशांमधून नऊ विशेष पुरस्कार मिळवले. मुख्यस्थानिका डॉ. मिश्रीक शोधी यांच्या मार्गदर्शनाखाली आणि शिक्षिका हुसैन भातदार यांच्या नेतृत्वाखाली टीम वीन कसबच्या विद्यार्थ्यांनी या मिळवले आहे.



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, **CP V to Checkpoint II** 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**.

Road To Success

Pre-school Survey 2024

It brings us immense joy and pride to share the exciting news that the IEYC section has clinched an outstanding **3rd rank** in the prestigious **Times Pre-school Survey 2024**, specifically in the K-12 Schools, International Curriculum category.



School Enterprise Challenge is an innovative programme which exhibits students' innovation to develop a Business concept either by launching a new product or by redesigning an existing product. Students' have exhibited creativity, passion, and hard work to achieve the **Gold Level Award for the year 2023-24**. The project awarded was a **protein bar, named "Teen-Fit Treat"** which was made by using natural, organic, and healthy items, promoting healthy lifestyle alternatives. They created and managed media content, budgeting, marketing, and sales developing real-time industry skills.

Annual Day “Mumbai 2.0 Bajate Raho”

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.



Lit-O-Mania-24

Lit-O-mania'24 was a groundbreaking 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.



Fun-Flea-Esta

The dynamic **Fun-Flea-Esta** held on **2nd, December 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, Vice President of Bunts Sangha Mumbai, 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.



Annual Sports Meet

The **Annual Sports Day** on **29th January, 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.



Speaker Summit

The Speaker's Summit competition's second edition was a remarkable showcase of eloquence and communication prowess. Students from various grades eagerly participated, expressing their views on diverse topics. This event not only displayed the diverse talents of our students but also instilled confidence in them. Throughout the competition, insightful talks were delivered on topics ranging from "The Wonders of Technology Shaping our World" to "A Plan that Can Solve Climate Change" and beyond!

IYEC students also got an opportunity to share their thoughts and ideas on various topics, which helped them develop confidence and communication skills.

The winners of the following competitions are:

1st position

Vaani Patel (CP III A)
Swarit Dahake (CP III C)
Shrija Vinjamuri (CP IV A)
Vivaan Kurhade (CP V B)
Riaan Mathur (CP V D)
Ethan D'Souza (Chkpt I)
Sahiti Patnaik (Chkpt II)
Megan Salian (IG I)
Siyona Basu (IBDP I)

2nd position

Niara Mathur (CP III C)
Ojaswi Karkera (CP IV B)
Raavya Shetty (CP V B)
Mahi Gupta (CP V D)
Aadhya Shetty (Chkpt I)
Tiya Survase (Chkpt II)
Siddid Shimpi (IG I)
Aaron John (IBDP I)

3rd position

Kavya Parab (CP V A)



Marathi Diwas

Marathi diwas was celebrated in all the classes in the last week of February. The theme for this year was "दैर्नंदिन 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 highlights of this event.



Science Week



Science Week was celebrated with great enthusiasm and participation from students across grades **IEYC, CPI to IBDP and A level**, from **27th February 2024 to 1st March 2024**, in honor of the 'National Science Day'. One of the highlights of the Science Week celebration was a series of guest lectures and awareness talks organized by the IBDP students as a part of their combined science project. These talks provided valuable insights into various scientific concepts. The IBDP students acted as mentors, sharing their knowledge and experiences with the younger grades.

Additionally, several hands-on activities were organized to make learning more interactive and enjoyable. A book making activity encouraged students to combine their artistic skills with scientific knowledge. Paper making from waste paper not only showcased the importance of recycling but also provided a practical understanding of the paper-making process. Activities such as a poster-making, slogan-making and logo-making competition allowed students to express their creativity while promoting scientific themes. What made the Science Week even more special was the fact that it was a student-led initiative. Such initiatives play a crucial role in nurturing the next generation of scientists and innovators, fostering a lifelong love for science and learning.



Guest Lectures

Expert Talk on 13th January, a session was organized for the **FLE students of IGCSE** to help them in preparing for the upcoming CAIE examination. The **session was led by Dr. Sakshi Pai, a CAIE examiner for FLE**, Lower Secondary, AL, and AS levels, who also serves as an English and TOK facilitator, as well as the Extended Essay coordinator for IBDP. **Dr. Sakshi Pai** shared valuable insights into effective paper-solving techniques, offering guidance that will assist students on their path to exam readiness.



A session on **Puberty by Right Side Story, Whisper India** was conducted for the students of **CP V, Checkpoint I and II**. During the session, students were informed about the changes happening to their minds and body as they grew up. The session concluded with a section that debunked myths, where students asked several questions. Furthermore, a Sexual Literacy session was conducted for the students of Pre-IG and IGCSE I. The students appreciated the session and mentioned that it cleared several misconceptions they had.

Growing Up Safe with UnTaboo

Students from Checkpoint I, II, Pre IG, and IGCSE - I attended the **UnTaboo Positive Puberty workshop** on **January 31, 2024**. The workshop aims to raise responsible generations by providing knowledge about bodies, emotions, puberty, and relationships to pre-teens and teens. The experts designed a child-friendly environment to promote a healthy mindset, empowering students to navigate their teenage years safely. UnTaboo encourages positive conversations about changing bodies, emotions, and misconceptions, promoting a lifetime of body positivity and gender sensitivity.



Student Achievements

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

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.



Student Achievements



Aditi Bhalerao
Checkpoint I A

**Secured 2nd Rank in MARRS
SPELL BEE State Level Exam**



Ahaan Tiwari
IGCSE I

**won Best Delegate Award
at IIT Tech Fest**



Dhruv Jain
IGCSE II

**ranked among Top 5
in the Global Digital Art
Competition Collaborative
Art Space**

Under the guidance of our skilled music instructors, Mr. Vikas Sharma and Ms. Anjana Deb, our school choir achieved a remarkable feat by **securing the second prize at Misaesthetics on 16th December, 2023.** Their captivating performance, featuring a classical folk song, was enhanced by the addition of musical instruments played by our talented students, creating a truly enchanting experience.



Rishan Agarwal from CP I B showcased outstanding skills at the Supernova Fusion 2023 Cube and Math Championship. Rishan's exceptional performance earned him a **gold medal in the 3x3 Rubik's Cube category, alongside a trophy and certificate for swiftly solving tangram shapes within a limited timeframe, completing an impressive 27 shapes in just 5 minutes.** Additionally, Rishan secured the **2nd runner-up position and received a trophy in the 2x2 Rubik's Cube category.**

Student Achievements

We are proud to share that **Ananya Harish** of **Checkpoint II** has published her second book - a short story in the horror genre. The book titled "The Cursed Fountain" is available on BriBooks website. This book has won her the 'Emerging Author certificate' at the National Young Authors' Fair 2023.



<https://www.bribooks.com/bookstore/t>

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.



Ayaan Ram of **CP IV A** secured **second place** for the **U-12 category** in the **Saptakiran Sports Carnival Mallakhamb** competition. He also won **2 gold medals** in the **aerobics competition** held at the same venue on **6th January 2024**. He also participated in **MSSA (Mumbai Schools Sports Association Mallakhamb & Rope Mallakhamb Competition 2023-2024)** at **B.P.C.A'S Gymnastics Center, Wadala**. Despite the injury, he secured the **third Prize in Pole Mallakhamb**.

Student Achievements

Ayan Garg, a Vengsarkar Cricket Academy team participant, emerged **victorious in the U-12 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 received 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.



We are delighted to announce that our **students have achieved Third Position in the U-12 Boys category of the basketball tournament** organised by VIVA, Vibgyor at Kharghar.



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

Student Achievements

We take immense pride in highlighting the accomplishments of our students in the Poisar Gymkhana Sports Competitions. Our school excelled, securing the **Second Runner-Up Trophy in the Handball tournament's U-14 Boys and U-14 Girls categories.** Additionally, **Saraansh Jain from Checkpoint I received the Best Goalkeeper trophy in the U-14 Boys category** of the Handball Tournament.



Our students have achieved the **Second-Position in the U-12 Boys category of the Football Tournament** organised by the AMR Academy, Powai.

Rewa Rathore from CP IV B won the **Bronze medal in the U-10 Gymnastics category at SFA CHAMPIONSHIP** held at Priyadarshini Park.



Student Achievements

Harshil Khanvilkar of IGCSE I secured **First Position** in **U-16 Shot put**.



Tiya Survase of Checkpoint II B secured **First Position** in **U-14 shot put** in Marol Athletic Association.



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.



Student Achievements



Anishka Karthik secured **2nd position** in **Badminton** which is organised by Garodiya International School **U-14** Girls category.



Our **U-14** and **U-16** boys received **second place** in a **Volleyball Tournament** which is organised by Don Bosco school Dombivli.

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 **U-14 Boys** category for Football.
2. Second place in the **U-10 Boys** category for Football.
3. First place in the **U-12 Boys** category for basketball.

Individual Achievements: Our student **Nikhith Pagare** from **CP IV** received the **Best Goalkeeper Trophy** in the **U-10 boys** category for Football.



Student Achievements

VISTAURA 2023 JUNIOR DRONACHARYA GUNDECHA SCHOOL

Master. Ahaan
Patel From IEYC III
Bagged 1st
Position - Coming
In Jersey.

Mr. Anaya Khan
From IEYC III
Bagged 3rd
Position - Meet
The Sports
Legend.

Ms. Swara Karan Je From
IEYC II Bagged 2ns
Position - Warm
Up, Start & Restart.

Mr. Anayla Shaikh
From IEYC I
Bagged 2nd
Position - Fit and
First Race.



Winners

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



Swara Rahul Karanje from **IEYC II**
bagged **Third Position** in Hurdle Race



Ashar Irfan Khan from **IEYC II** bagged
Second Position in Balance the Ball.



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
Nairah Nabeel Edroos - IEYC III
Swara Rahul Karanje - IEYC II
Ashar Irfan Khan - IEYC II
Viaana Girish Patel - IEYC I
Purvank Durgesh Salunke -IEYC I

Winners

Kavish Nikhil Siraswar from **IEYC III**
bagged **First Position** in Obstacle Race



Student Achievements

Winners

Viaana Girish Patel from **IEYC I** bagged **Second Position** in Cone Race.



Purvank Durgesh Salunke from **IEYC I** bagged **Second Position** in Bucket and Ball.



Opportunities for Students

On 26th February 2024, **IBDP I Digital Society & Computer Science** students (**Teerth Mittal, Siddhisonia Tripathi, Devaumitra V & Himanshu Basu**) arranged a cyber-bullying awareness session for their CP V peers, which included video enactments, discussions, and case studies. They highlighted how common cyber-bullying is and the seriousness of its consequences while also offering practical prevention techniques and online safety guidelines to the students. The CP V students were actively involved in Q&A sessions and self-reflection exercises, which helped them gain a better understanding of how to navigate the digital world responsibly. The session proved to be very beneficial, promoting a safer online environment and empowering participants to combat cyber-bullying effectively.



Opportunities for Students

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.



Prakriti Badlani of CP IV A 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."



Teachers Achievements



Principal Dr Mildred Lobo co-led a masterclass for Admissions Officers on **8th January at Mainadevi Bajaj International School**. The Masterclass was curated for those with beginner and intermediate levels of experience and knowledge about the Cambridge Pathway programme.. It focused learning experience with hands-on learning, and developed deeper understanding and appreciation of the value and benefits of the Cambridge Pathway programme



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



Teachers Achievements

We congratulate our Physics faculty, **Ms Ritika Punjabi** who is selected as a **panelist for Cambridge Higher Education Panel.**



Reshma Chaudhari is a committed educator who showed her abilities at STTAR NTO 2023. She achieved a notable 75% in the KLIC Python course, earning recognition from YCMOU. With her successful completion of two Python Mini-Projects, Ms Reshma is now proudly recognized as an MKCL Certified Python Expert.



Our Business studies faculty, **Ms. Ranjit Kaur Banwait** received **2nd Runner-Up position at the IPN INSPIRE Honours 2023**, under the category Life skills enhancer of the year. IPN is an organization that works towards the development of Indian School Education system.



Opportunities for Teachers



EMPOWERING EDUCATORS AT MISA (MEMBERS OF INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS' ASSOCIATION)

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 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.



Assemblies

The students of **Checkpoint II** presented their class assembly on 21st February 2024 on the vital topic of **Water Conservation**.

Through a plethora of unique and powerful presentations like mime, interview and a thought provoking song, the students tried to raise awareness about the importance of conserving water and **adopting sustainable practices** in our daily life. A quiz was also conducted to reinforce the means and methods of conserving water. The assembly concluded with a pledge to conserve water and ensure a sustainable future for generations to come.



CP II students recently dazzled everyone with their spectacular assembly focusing on UN Sustainable Development Goal 15: Life on Land! A highlight of the assembly was the captivating skit urging everyone to "**Plant More Trees**" and depicting how animals plead with poachers to let them live peacefully, beautifully accompanied by the song "**Prem Se Hume Jeene Do.**"

The poignant message on deforestation and afforestation was powerfully conveyed through the heartfelt song "Na Kato Hume Dukhta Hai." and "Ek chota beej"

Overall, the assembly beautifully emphasized the importance of sustaining life on land, leaving a lasting impact on everyone present.



Assemblies

CP III assembly focused on **UN SDG 13 - Climate Action**, providing a comprehensive portrayal of the pressing issue of climate change. Through a combination of artistic performances, including dance, music, and skits, students highlighted the profound impact of environmental degradation. With full participation from all students, the assembly emphasized the urgency of collective action in addressing climate challenges.



Competitions

On **5th February, 2024** an **inter-house patriotic competition** was conducted, showcasing the spirit of patriotism among our students. The event was a great success with enthusiastic participation from each house. The judges were **Ms Anjana Deb and Mr Vinayak** for the morning section **and Mr. Vikas Sharma and Mr. Mahi Rathore** for the afternoon section.

The winners of the competition were as follows:

	First position	Second Position
Morning batch	Autumn House Maisha Shaikh Hazel Soni Viyoni Doshi Kavya Parab Kimaya Jain Harseeka Hoskatti Triyambak Menon Siddharth Katke Tejomaya Verma Prarthna Thayyil Rewa Rathore	Winter house Shaun Theodore Aryan Hotkar Sriesh Vinjamuri Aanya Dasgupta Nissihi Shah Stuti Barai Deeva Juneja Anika Shetty Raavya Shetty Swara Nandgirikar Shruti Pol
Afternoon batch	Summer House Drishti Mishra Gandhar Nandgirikar Kayana Jain Siddika shrivastav Kayara Bhakta Hasini Karasudula Nia Varshenya Titiksha Sachin Aleena Athanikar Tanmay Gawade Anika Deshmukh Shaurya Singh Zanna Fernandes Trariti Gosh Tisha Rusia Riya Singh Shambhavi Manikandan Pratham Rao Swara Shirkar Saket Ananthkrishnan	Spring House Anvika Phadtare Ovi Satam Aradhya Kumar Shivadnya More Yahvi Mange Zoe D'sa Amy D'souza Jiyanshi Gohil Advika Shetty Rishaan Kulal Nimai Kota Siya Parmar Sia Doshi Navyansh Das Ridhima Deb Niara Mathur Anvita Devadiga Fazl Khan Mishka Desai Avanish Kulkarni



Competitions

We proudly hosted an action-packed Inter-School Basketball Tournament that brought the heat to the hardwood! Passion, teamwork, and sportsmanship were on full display as we celebrated the spirit of competition and camaraderie.



Exploring the poetry world, our **CP** students enthusiastically participated in a poetry recitation competition. This event inspired our aspiring poets, motivating them to present their rhymes. Our students enthusiastically performed their poetry on a variety of topics. The joyful experience was distinguished by the precision of expression, insightful feelings, rhythmic flow, and beautiful interaction of words. The Winners of the competition were as follows:

	1st position	2nd position	3rd position
CP I A	Ovi Satam	Rudraveer Shetty	Gurbani Thind
CP I B	Garika Kothari	Kayana Jain	Avika Shetty
CP I C	Yagna Paliwal	Nishika Amarapu	Ram Latkar
CP II A	Aarohi Rane	Jiyanshi Gohil	Tashvi Mudgaekar
CP II B	Giansh Singh Khokhar	Gitisha Shetty	Zenora Fernandes
CP II C	Keya Mahatre	Vardhan Singh	Rizvi Syed Mohammed Hasan
CP III A	Jayraj Manerkar	Ira Joshi & Evan Amal	Vaani Patel
CP III B	Navyansh Das	Rewa Jha	Zanna Fernandes
CP III C	Kiara Lad	Aisha Shaikh	Aaratrika Anoop
CP IV A	Srija Vinjamuri	Ishi Mhatre	Hazel Soni
CP IV B	Kyra Bhangara	Anisha Agrawal	Sriesh Vinjamuri
CP IV C	Aadya Savle	Anvita Devadiga	Neel Kota
CP V A	Triyamabak Menon	Harseeka Hoskatti	Tirtha Sajaikumar
CP V B	Svara Nandgirikar	Riaan Shah	Aarohi Kadam
CP V	Driti Kothari	Carolene Vasantraj	Ishita Kotian
CCP V D	Mahi Gupta	Avanish Kulkarni	Prisha Sood



Competitions

Poster making competition was conducted for the students of **CP III, IV, V on 8th January 2024**. The main objective was to ignite the fire of imagination and creativity in the students. Posters provide visual & colourful ways to spread awareness on community issues and events. The winners :



Class	First Position	Second Position	Third Position
CP III A	Shanaya Kathe	Harshi Davavala	Grishma Chavan
CP III B	Reet Kaur Ahuja	Trariti Ghosh	-
CP III C	Tisha Rusia	Hetanshi Jadhav	-
CP IV A	Deeva Juneja	Navika More	Ojas Dalvi
CP IV B	Liam Rodrigues	K. Kavya	-
CP IV C	Shivansh Kale	Anvita Devadiga	-
CP V A	Anvika Koshti	Varun Shrivastav	Kavya Parab
CP V B	Nishtha Jain	Vallari Shitole	Prarthana Thayyil
CP V C	Pearl Jain	Pehel Mehta	-
CP V D	Prisha Sood	Tanishka Patel	-



Competitions

On 8th January, CP I & II students participated in the **Storytelling** with puppets competition. Through the use of puppets, children were actively engaged in storytelling, fostering imagination, language development, social interaction, and emotional expression. This creative approach aimed to lay the foundation for a lifelong love for literature.

Storytelling with puppets Competition winners:

Class	First Position	Second Position	Third Position	Consolation
CP I A	Ishan Dalvi	Gandhaar Nandgirikar	Rudraveer Shetty	Evan Geogy
CP I B	Aaradhya Kumar	Eva Naik	Shivdnya More	Avika Shetty
CP I C	Hassini Karasudula	Yahvi Mange	Yuvaan Vaswani	Shreyansh Gupta
CP II A	Neil Deshpande	Shaunak Desai	Kimaya Sanghvi	-
CP II B	Siddharth Mendonce	Advika Shetty	Shanaya Lodhia	Zenden Fernandes
CP II C	Rishabh Naik	Anika Deshmukh	Sharvil Phoke	-



Trips

In an exciting adventure filled with friendship and responsibility, our **Grade IV and V** students recently embarked on their inaugural overnight school trip to **Igatpuri** with Quadrant 73. Their enthusiasm and teamwork shone brightly as they helped one another and supported their teachers throughout the journey. Against the picturesque backdrop of Igatpuri, the students forged new friendships and strengthened existing ones, leaving an indelible mark on their school days. This unforgettable experience not only showcased their spirit of unity but also highlighted the values of collaboration and responsibility instilled in them. Here's to the enduring memories and lifelong bonds created during this extraordinary trip!



Our **IBDP 1** students embarked on an enriching five-day CAS trip to the **Andaman and Nicobar Islands**. They explored the historic Cellular Jail and serene Ross Island, engaged in environmental discussions at ANET research center, and discovered new passions through scuba diving and stargazing. Their journey also included giving back to the community through a visit to a local school. Overall, the trip was a blend of adventure, learning, and meaningful connections.



Trips

CP I, II and III students went on an exciting one-day picnic to 'Tic Tac Toe Amusement Park' on **16th February**. Students enjoyed playing in the ball pool and went on short rides. Later they visited a Bird Park where they had fun seeing different varieties of birds such as parrots, ostriches etc. Students marvelled at their beauty and learned fascinating facts about each species. The picnic wasn't just about fun; it was also an opportunity to learn.



Students from **Checkpoint III, IGCSE I, IBDP II and A levels** embarked on an enriching trip to Panchgani from **8th December, 2023 to 10th December, 2023** exploring various adventure activities .



Trips

Field trips are exciting adventures outside the classroom where students explore new places and learn through firsthand experiences. They provide a unique opportunity to connect with what they learn in school, making lessons more memorable and engaging.

IEYCI - Crossword



IEYC II - Fire station



IEYC III - Decathlon



Active Learning



CP IV 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.



In their **CP IV** science curriculum, students explored the **process of seed germination**. Through hands-on experiments and observations, they gained insight into the factors influencing successful seed germination, fostering a deeper understanding of plant life cycles.



CP IV students did an activity creating a model of the **human digestive system** using cutouts of the organs involved. Through this hands-on activity, they gained a visual understanding of how food travels through the digestive tract and the roles played by organs such as the stomach, intestines, and liver.

Differentiating between formal and informal letters

The students at **Checkpoint I** are distinguishing between formal and informal letters by examining examples of each, enclosed in sealed envelopes. This analysis enables them to effectively navigate and employ appropriate communication styles in various contexts.



Active Learning

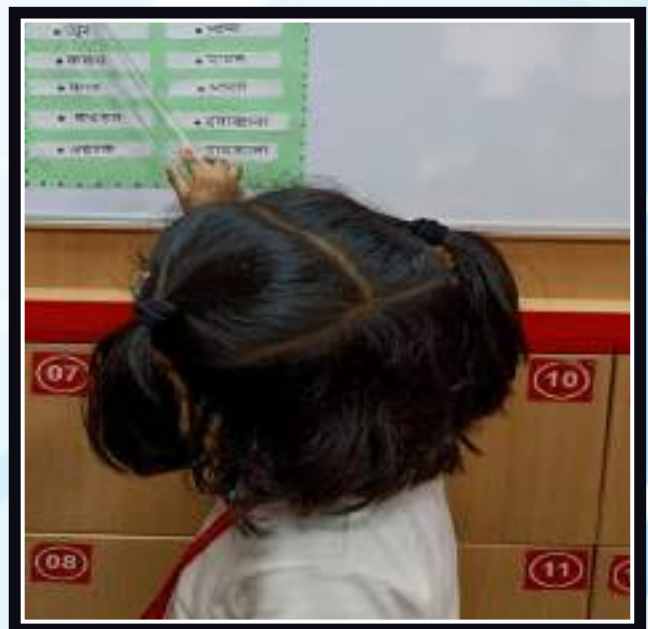
The students of **Checkpoint I** are acquiring skills in crafting travel articles through the analysis and annotation of travel blogs and articles sourced from a variety of websites and magazines. This activity aims to enhance the students' understanding of the characteristics and styles of travel writing.



Using Newspaper to facilitate learning
The students of **Checkpoint I** are engrossed in reading the newspaper to understand the features of a newspaper report. Active learning sessions are tailored in a way to help students engage in their learning by thinking, discussing, investigating and creating. The students of Checkpoint I are reading and annotating newspaper reports to understand the elements of a newspaper report.



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.



Active Learning

CP IV : Persuasive Writing Activity

Grade IV students showcased their persuasive abilities by crafting advertisements for the product of their choice. They presented their creations to the class, employing various persuasive skills and techniques to encourage their peers to make a purchase. Through this engaging exercise, students honed their persuasive communication skills while actively participating in the process of selling their product.



Grade III: Information Text activity

Grade III students researched on famous artists such as Vincent Van Gogh, Wassily Kandinsky, and Klimt Gustav and wrote an information text on the same.



Grade II : Story Telling

Grade II students engaged in a storytelling activity centered around various themes, using different types of props such as finger puppets, stick puppets, flashcards, toys, and more. This interactive experience not only enhanced their communication skills and language proficiency but also instilled confidence in them.

Active Learning

On **28th February, 2024**, CP II learners engaged in the "**Varnamala Identifying Activity**" to enhance their skills in identifying and writing Hindi letters, fostering their language development. The objective of this activity is to enable students to recognize and write letters



A lively activity focused on **French Seasons and Weather conditions** was conducted in class on **19th January 2024**. Chits representing various weather conditions were given to students, prompting them to identify corresponding seasons. Through active participation, students grasped the correlation between weather patterns and the seasons they signify. The activity fostered teamwork, critical thinking, and observational skills among the students. Such interactive activities make learning enjoyable and also deepen their educational experiences.



From the **19th to the 22nd of February 2024**, students of **CP IV. Indian Festivals and their significance**. The objective was twofold: to enhance their Hindi speaking skills and foster a sense of unity within the class.



Active Learning

Humanities Active Learning.

CP III 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.



Students of **IGCSE I** visited the school ground and learnt about **idioms in Hindi** through the game of Dumb Charades.

Circle time in IGCSE I - Global Perspectives class. Students spoke about their fears or what makes them uncomfortable. The objective of this activity was to foster empathy and understanding among classmates by listening to and respecting each other's concerns and to promote open communication and trust within the classroom community.

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.



Community Awareness

The **IBDP 1 students** had arranged Diwali Dhamaka in the month of November for our housekeeping staff. In the month of February we had collected stationary 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.



Empowering Educators in Community Service

Our **CAS co-ordinator 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.



Team Green

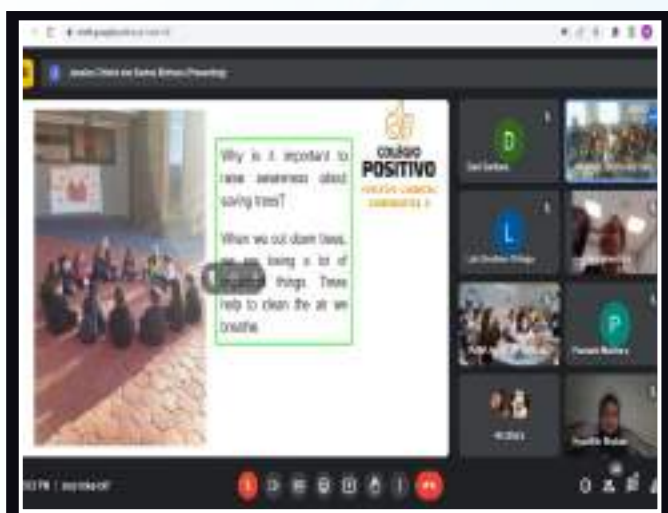
At SMSISJC, we empower students to spearhead green initiatives, cultivate leadership abilities, and motivate others to participate in fostering positive environmental impact.

On **13th December, 2023**, CMP students concluded their CMP program with the fifth session, a pivotal elimination round for the '**Conserve My Planet School Championship**'. The students enthusiastically participated with their responses which were later evaluated to determine the Green Ambassador. Ms. Ritisha Gupta, emerged as the Green Ambassador, set to advance to the finals. She was joined by assistants Mr. Aditya Agarwal, Ms. Ananya Harish, and Ms. Samaira Singh. The quartet will now represent the school in the championship finals.

On **15th January, 2024** students from our school embarked on an enlightening journey to the **Fishery Survey of India (FSI) Mumbai Base**, accompanied by their teachers. The visit provided a unique opportunity for the students to delve into the fascinating world of marine life and fisheries management.



The Climate Action Project provides a platform for global engagement in addressing the climate crisis. On **24th November, 2023** our school and '**Colegio Positivo Londrina, Brazil**', convened via Google Meet to discuss the project. **Grades 1 to 12** participated, with presentations on our 'Team Green' activities and collaborations, including protein bar-making, global partnerships, donations, and tree planting. Both schools responded positively to the collaboration, fostering effective exchange.



Counselling Initiatives

Class Sensitization on Bullying- "Be a Hero"

On 20th December the counseling center organized a comprehensive class sensitization session on bullying for students of CP III. The primary focus was to educate students on the various forms of bullying and how to replace these negative actions with healthier behaviours, fostering a positive and safe environment within the school and respective classrooms.



Safe Touch workshops were conducted on January 9th, January 12th, and February 22nd for students in IEYC I, II, and III, respectively. The primary goal of the workshops was to educate children about personal boundaries and safe touches while empowering them to respond appropriately in uncomfortable situations.



On 15th January, a workshop titled "Get Set Go - Study Skills and Strategies" was held for CP IV and CP V students. The goal of the event was to guide the students in developing effective study habits and essential skills for academic success.



Counselling Initiatives

Session on Empathy is a crucial social skill that facilitates understanding, compassion, and cooperation among individuals. This session was conducted for students of **IEYC I, II** and III to help develop empathy at an early age, which would guide them in building stronger interpersonal relationships, resolving conflicts peacefully, and contributing positively to their communities.



Enhancing Understanding of Body Awareness and Personal Boundaries

On 27th February, the counseling center hosted a session for **CP-I** students aimed at improving their understanding of body awareness and personal boundaries. The session included interactive activities and discussions, emphasizing the importance of the classroom as a safe and respectful environment where everyone's thoughts and feelings are valued and respected. The main objective was to empower students to recognize, respect, and communicate their own boundaries while understanding and respecting those of others.



Parental Involvement

Mother Language Day - was an opportunity for young learners to celebrate their unique languages & culture. The day culminated in activities like sharing stories, songs & sharing experiences with peers & parents alike.



Parental Involvement

Kite Flying Day - The day was celebrated on 13th January 2024, it's an opportunity for bonding and learning, parents joyfully gathered with their children on the school ground to fly kites and celebrate the vibrant Makar Sankranti festival.



SNEAK PEEK INTO IEYC

Entry Point - An entry point aims to capture students' interest, stimulate their thinking, and establish a connection to the topic being learned. It is designed to engage learners, activate prior knowledge, and set the stage for meaningful learning experiences.

IEYC I - Mindful play



IEYC II- Animal Rescuers



IEYC III- The Brilliant Bug Ball



SNEAK PEEK INTO IEYC

Students had a **storytelling session**, which helped students to build oratory skills and boost their self confidence early on moral values.



Students celebrated **Valentines Day** engaging in making simple craft heart activity and sharing kind messages, fostering a sense of friendship and empathy at a young age.



SNEAK PEEK INTO IEYC

An **exit point** for kids is a reflection and consolidation of learning. It provides an opportunity for students to summarize key takeaways and reflect on their understanding, fostering a sense of accomplishment and paving the way for further growth.

IEYC I - Once Upon a Time



IEYC III- The Brilliant Bug Ball



IEYC III - Little Movers Make Giant Strides



SNEAK PEEK INTO IEYC - I

Germination of seeds



Three Billy Goat



Colorful Garden Delights



Sunshine Spectacular - YELLOW DAY



Speedy Hare, Steady Tortoise - Role Play



Decorate Your Gingerbread Man



Gingerbread Man Hunt Adventure



Piggy Farm Fun



SNEAK PEEK INTO IEYC - I

Strawberry Fields



Sandwich making



Race course hare and tortoise



Rectangular Delights



Trip trap to the beat



Heavy and light takeaway



Sorting of pulses



Breath of Life: A Relaxing Breathing Activity



SNEAK PEEK INTO IEYC - II

Fly High Fun



Aqua Explorer



Sail Away



Street Safari



Lace it up



Magnetic Marvels



Name My Train



Railway Wonderland Setup



SNEAK PEEK INTO IEYC - II

Submarine Explorer



Triangle collage



Christmas activity



Water ways



Camping activity



Fun with Flavours



SNEAK PEEK INTO IEYC - III

Cricket Champs



Cube Roller



Full - O- Sand Adventure



Junior Hockey Blitz



Snakes and Ladder



Sport Sphere Discoveries



A Small Bug, Big Fun!



Pic Fables: Stories in Every Picture"

