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WORLD SCHOOL

SOHNA GURGAON ROAD

THE GOENKAN VISTA

August 2017

School Council Elections 2017-2018

With great enthusiasm and sportsmanship GDGWS School Council Elections took place on 11th August'17. Right across from PYP to IBDP, all four segments students casted their votes for a range of categories. Teaching fraternity also contributed to the same for the whole school appointment categories. Entire student body was energized about their contribution to the council appointments which was very evident on the Election Day. After an uninterrupted process of voting, counting of the votes took place the same day followed which the results of the Student Council were announced on next day.

Ms. Neha Sharma



PYP

Grade 4A Assembly

Grade 4A presented their class assembly on the PYP attitudes. The focus was on empathy. Initially they discussed all the twelve PYP attitudes after which they performed a role play showing how being empathetic helps us when we are in need. Later they spoke about the seven ways to show empathy which was then followed by a melodious song on empathy, which was prepared under the guidance of Mr. Francis. Last but not the least they showcased their dance skills by dancing on a foot tapping number which was prepared under the guidance of Ms. Hemlata. Parents were invited on the stage to speak few encouraging lines. It was an interesting opportunity for the students to showcase their hidden talents.



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Grade 4B Assembly

Grade 4B presented an assembly based on “Our Growing Bodies”. The students briefed about the process of digestion through the digestive system. They conveyed the message on the importance of exercise for a healthy body through an energetic aerobics performance prepared under the guidance of Ms. Himani which was followed by a dance in which students showed how the different bones connected to each other help in the movement of the body. At last they took their audience on a journey inside the human body through a song which was prepared under the guidance of Francis sir. The assembly concluded with encouraging words by parents and Ms. Poonam for the students on their wonderful performances.



Ms. Namita Mishra

PYP

Grade 5A Assembly

Grade 5A Presented an assembly which was based on the Independence Day theme. It included two plays, synchronized hoopla, a patriotic song followed by an energetic dance performance. One of the plays depicted the patriotism shown by our revolutionary freedom fighter Shaheed Bhagat Singh. The other play showed the friendship of two soldiers across the border who were great friends but became martyred while executing their duties for their respective countries during the war. The idea of this play was to spread the message of peace and suppress the idea of war worldwide. The students then presented a synchronized Hoopla parade, the patriotic song "saare jahan se achcha" followed by a stunning dance performance on the song "Jai Ho".



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Grade 5B Assembly

Grade 5B assembly held on 02nd August 2017, was based on enlightening fellow students about healthy living, the myths and facts associated with nutritional deficiency diseases and how exercise can help to stay fit and strong. Pupils performed a role play showcasing how eating a well balanced diet helps in curbing nutritional deficiency diseases later in life. The health benefits of yoga were also highlighted. The students performed some 'Aasanas' to show how Yoga not only helps to burn calories and tone muscles, but also provides a total mind and body work out. Pupils also presented a Zumba dance. Zumba helps in burning fat and calories, improves coordination, builds endurance, corrects posture and is a great stress buster. The performances of pupils were well received by parents, teachers and fellow mates.



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CS 1



Clay work with VA students

On the 18th of August, a group of pupils of Grades 6, 7 & 8 participated in an activity that required them to make small circular tiles/slabs of clay on which they added embellishments of their choice. The teacher demonstrated how to do this and the young ones had a very tight schedule in which they managed to produce some very beautiful designs and images. These were turned into wall decorations by making a small hole in the clay tile towards the top centre of the composition. It was a fun-filled time for the students and it was interesting to see what the little hands came up with.

Ms. T. Chatterji



CS 1

Science Week

Science week was celebrated in the CS1 through an assembly which was presented by the students of 7A.

The enthusiastic masters of ceremony, Abhinav and Anshita introduced the students to the science assembly, which commenced with a prayer by Ahra, followed by the thought of the day by Naman and then there was news from different fields of science by Naavya, Maanya, Kaushal, Aakash.

The highlights of the assembly were:

1. Role play depicting the event of the year - the total solar eclipse in the US by Rameshwar, Evan, Ayush, Dhananjay.

2. A very short musical showing the Earth's close brush with the asteroid Florence, which is to occur on September 1st, 2017 was well presented through a classical dance by Kaynat along with Kuwar and Pranav.

3. There was a presentation by Akshat, Jae Won, Nikhil, Himangini showing the adaptation by the goats of Morocco, which can climb trees and help in making the most sought after Argan oil.

The assembly ended with the National Anthem and words of encouragement by the Head of Program, Ms Deepti Kaushal.

Ms. Ruchira Pant



CS 1

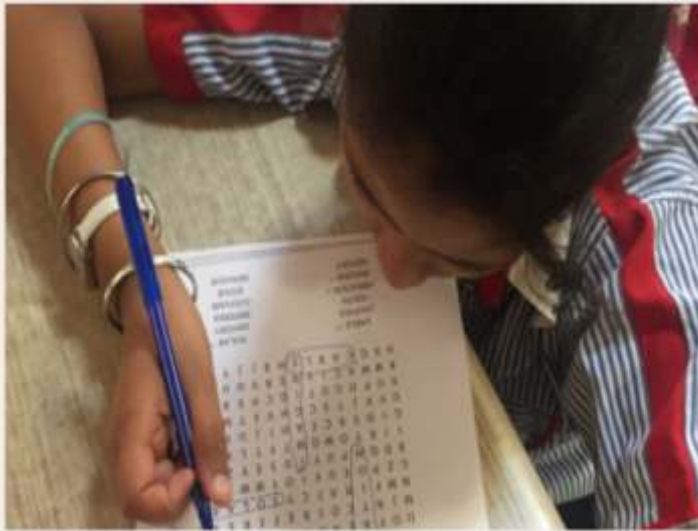
Spellathon Activity

GDGWS organized a Spellathon activity on 10th of August with a goal to improve children's vocabulary, in order to make them an effective and impressive communicator.

The event was for the students of Grade 6 with the commitment of "Learning with Fun". During the activity it was kept in mind that the children enjoy the whole learning process. Spellathon is an activity that provides an opportunity to the students to enhance their vocabulary and also help them improve their class spelling tests. It is one of the best integration of imagination, education, technology, inclusiveness and fun at school along with a purpose.

All the students really enjoyed doing this activity.

Ms. Priya Mahendru



CS 1

Grade 8C Assembly

'The formula of life is simple. It is the formula of giving courage, attention, peace, love and comfort to yourself and the society.'

With 'World peace' as the theme, 8C students showcased their interpretations of the same during their Assembly on 16th August 2017.

It started with a prayer followed by the thought of the day and news. This was followed by a presentation on the topic 'World Peace' followed by a soulful song sung by the students which captured the heart of the audience.

The Head of Program, Ms. Deepti Kaushal addressed the gathering and appreciated the effort put in by the students as well as the Form Tutor.

The Assembly concluded with the National Anthem.

Ms. Priya Mahendru



CS 1

Inter-House Poster Competition

On the 1st of August there was a buzz in the corridors as all the pupils quickly assembled in their respective House rooms to participate in the Inter- House Poster/Logo Design Competition. The topics provided to the pupils were as follows:-

- The woods
- Save water, save the planet
- Save the tiger
- Negative effects of pollution
- Female infanticide

In each House Room there was feverish activity as eager young students got busy designing their posters /logos for the competition. There was an air of competitiveness and enthusiasm amongst the large group of students.

The results are as follows:-

NAME	HOUSE	CLASS &SECTION	POSITION	POINTS
PRIYANSHI YADAV	CYCAS	8B	1 ST	110
NAKUL MITTAL	CEDRUS	6A	2 ND	105
AALIYAH	NYSSA	6A	3 RD	102

HOUSE POSITIONS
NYSSA HOUSE- 1ST
CYCAS HOUSE- 2ND
CEDRUS HOUSE- 3RD
SORBUS HOUSE- 4TH

Ms. T. Chatterji



IGCSE

Inter-house Art/Poster Competition

On the 2nd of August 2017, the Inter-House Art/Poster Competition was organized. Young participants came prepared with great zeal and enthusiasm. They spend their House Meeting block painting their beautiful ideas on paper. As time was limited and the energy amongst the students was high, they had to execute their objective precisely. At the end of the day most of the competitors produced brilliant art works on varied themes. To mention a few topics, they treated captions like 'My pets,' 'Picnic by the river or sea', 'A garden corner,' 'My best friend,' 'Save the tiger,' 'Poster for a horror movie' and so on.

Ms. S. Chatterj

The result is as follows:-

House Positions

Sorbus-306 points-1st

Cedrus-290 points-2nd

Nyssa- 289 points-3rd

Cycas- 287 points-4th

Individual Positions

Trisha Arora-Nyssa-1st

Jasmine Khan-Cycas-2nd

Sonakshi Bhatnagar-Sorbus-3rd

Consolation

Aditya Roy-Cycas

Sanika Dagar-Cycas



IBDP

EXCELLENT IB RESULTS AGAIN! International Baccalaureate

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SOHNA GURGAON ROAD

TUSHAR KAISTHA
Highest Score 42/45 IB points
IB points 7 in 5 subjects & 6 in 1 subject
He will be pursuing Electrical & Electronic Engineering in Hong Kong University

RAAGHAV GOEL & HEESOO CHOI
Second highest score 38 IB Points
IB points 7 in 1 subject & 6 in 4 subjects
He will be pursuing Mechanical Engineering in the University of California, Berkeley

SAMBHAV JAIN
Third highest score 36 IB Points
IB points 7 in 2 subjects & 6 in 1 subject
He will be pursuing Bachelor of Business Management at University of Warwick

HEESOO CHOI
Second highest score 38 IB Points
IB points 7 in 2 subjects & 6 in 2 subjects
She will be pursuing Business Administration in Hong Kong University

MEHUL KALSHIK
Third highest score 36 IB Points
IB points 7 in 1 subject & 6 in 3 subjects
He will be pursuing Electrical & Electronic engineering in the University of Illinois at Urbana

BOYEON JUNG
Third highest score 36 IB Points
IB Points 6 in 5 subjects
She will be pursuing Bachelor of Science programs in global business management in the University of Hong Kong University

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Excellent IB Results - Again!

GD Goenka World School is proud to announce excellent IB Diploma results once again in 2017. Tushar Kaistha, scored exceptional result of 42 points out of 45, putting him into the top percentage worldwide. We have two students who scored 38 points and more than one-third of them scored above 30 points taking our average diploma score to 31 points out of 45 which is more than the world average.

As Colin Powell has rightly put it “A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work.”

Both students and teachers have burnt the midnight oil to produce their best. Now most of them are preparing to apply to good universities abroad, to fulfill the dreams that were born and nurtured in G. D Goenka World School. We wish all of them, all the best!

Dr. Manisha Mehta

IBDP

Bizwiz- 2017

An Inter-house Quiz competition for Grade 9 to 12 was held on Aug 23, 2017.

The following participants represented their Houses:

Cedrus House: Ansh Khanijo(12th), Chang (12th), Ritesh (10th) & Aniket (10th)

Sorbus House: Yuvraj (12th),Jivitesh (12th),Aditya (10th), Aekum(10th)

Cycas House: Akanksha(11th),Ujjwal Y(12th),Ashutosh (10th), Yuvraj (10th)

Nyssa House: Siddhanta (12th),Vedansh (10th), Anisha (10th)

The rules of the inter-house quiz competition were announced by the Quiz master Keerit Singh (12th). She conducted the quiz in a very interactive way and the teams participated with great enthusiasm. They skillfully answered the questions asked. Though some of the questions were very tricky, the teams tried to answer them with confidence. The audience was very excited and was fully involved. There were three rounds, round 1 was about the current affairs in business world, round 2 about taglines, business personalities and logos, and round 3, the Rapid-fire round, gave the teams a chance to catch up with leaders and put-up a tough fight. Everyone waited with baited breath for the announcement of the final scores. There was a tie between the Cedrus and Cycas House for the 1st position and Cedrus House won the quiz after answering the tie breaker question. Cycas secured 2nd position followed by Sorbus with the 3rd position.

Ms. Anshul Fanda



MUN

The Doon Experience

Sweet or sour, all days come to an end. Seven students namely Priyam sharma, Yuvraj Chadha, Diya Singh, Keerit Singh, Aryan Kaushal, Darsh Jain and Aekus Kamboj accompanied by teacher escort Ms. Manmeet Sidhu, went for a three - day MUN at The Doon School, Dehradun, India. Our most respected Principal offered us the striking opportunity that we couldn't resist. We came back with two awards and a trail of memories left behind with a million untold stories waiting to be echoed

We thank our principal and the school administration for supporting us, trusting us and making us capable enough to face the real world as it is. And we thank Ms. Manmeet from the bottom of our hearts for never losing faith in us, being the friend we all needed, and for always smiling making even the rough seem smooth.

-Aekus Kamboj



Student Section



On 2nd of August there was an interview held for the team 'Jab Harry met Sejal' by NDTV. The channel had selected only 20 college students from Delhi(NCR) out of which 6 were selected to ask questions and interact with the superstars and I was one of them. I got an opportunity to interact with Shah Rukh Khan, Anushka Sharma, and Imtiaz Ali and the privilege ask them questions.

I had a very good interaction with Shahrukh khan, I learned a lot from him and got inspired by his words, his guidance and advice. His life experiences helped me a lot for my acting career. Shahrukh khan has been my role model since childhood and I'm glad I got this big opportunity to meet and interact with him.

I was proud of being a part of this interview and I hope I made my school proud as well. This was my dream come true as I met the man who inspires me for acting.

As an actor this experience has been very helpful for my theater and acting career.

Shlok Singh



Teacher Section

Art & Us

How many of us would prefer a house that is well decorated to one that is not or in fact an outfit which is of a certain colour as opposed to a colour which we do not like? The choices we make are based on an innate or rather an inherent quality in us that that we show preferences in items of jewelry, to the food we eat or even the design of the latest car. What is this illusive quality? Very simply put, it is 'taste'.

Whether we acknowledge the fact or not we all have this taste or an aesthetic sense. Why then do some of us relegate Art as a subject to the lowliest level of a side subject or even indeed just a hobby? Where would we be without the art-related professionals in the world of films, animation, illustrators, cartoonists, advertizing, fashion, furniture, jewelry, textile, product designers, confectioners, architects and a host of allied professionals? Our world would be a tad dull if we all wore the same coloured clothes styled in the same way and lived in identical houses, ate the same food out of similar plate without any entertainment of any kind. A realm without variety and colour, in short without any kind of beauty, what sort of existence is that?

We are blest with of some kind of sensibilities or the other...just pause to think... some of us have creativity in us as we sing, dance, write, cook, settle our homes, dress our kids... We do have taste and a sense of design even in arranging our office space and furniture therein...so we need to move out of the mind-set that Art in the form of design is something alien and meant for intellectuals only. It is definitely here and is here to stay...so we need to be more accepting of this fact. Have we thought of the beneficial effects that Art as a subject has on a child who has issues with attention spans, impatience and powers of concentration? Added to this is the sense of joy and achievement when he/she surveys his/her creation with a sense of confidence and pride. The therapeutic value of Art has been realized in Western nations and there are practitioners in schools, hospitals and rehabilitation clinics reaching out to individuals who are unwell, or have suffered some trauma. This is a powerful tool for self expression and a cathartic/remedy that has no side effects.

Our perception of Art tends to be only that which we see on a canvas or even just in a simple sculpture which limits our perception. The boundaries of Art have all but disappeared as installations and lived- in spaces merge with painted rooms as well as paintings. So why is there this reluctance to realize something that is already a part of our lives? There seems to be an idea fixed which has generally clouded our vision and disallowed us to grow more in tune with our inner self and our strong artistic as well as sensorial abilities.

Ms. Trina Chatterji

Sports Section



Sela Qui Soccer Tournament

GD Goenka World School's soccer team visited SelaQui International School, Dehradun for an invitational Soccer Tournament. It was a long 5 day tournament from the 5th to 10th of August. The team was well prepared. The team was full of enthusiasm and was ready to complete. Our team's journey from Sohna to Doon was memorable due to good weather.

Although the team could not win the tournament it gathered experience and learned a lot. Even after losing their first match, the will power of the team was not broken and they came back and won with a superb score of 3-0. The team represented GDGWS in the Quarter finals and had a neck to neck match with Doon school. The boys showed great skills and game play. One of the players, Bibung, was appreciated for his skills.

Mr. Amit Chand



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

PYP

1st Sept '17:-
Investiture ceremony
8th Sept '17:-
Grandparent's day
11th-12th Sept '17:-
Interschool swimming
meet.
22nd Sept '17:-
International cultural
fest

CAMBRIDGE SECONDARY 1 CHECKPOINT

1st Sept '17:-
Investiture ceremony
11th-12th Sept '17:-
Interschool swimming
meet
21st Sept '17:-
Semester
examinations
commence.

IGCSE

1st Sept '17:-
Investiture ceremony
6th Sept '17:-
Interschool soccer &
basketball
tournament
commences
21st Sept '17:-
Semester
examinations
commence

IBDP

1st Sept '17:-
Investiture ceremony
4th Sept '17:-
University Fair
21st Sept '17:-
Semester
examinations
commence

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