

September-October  
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The Goenkan  
Vista

# Director - Principal's Message

Dear students and parents

Greetings of the day!

Any great school is known by the quality of instruction and the opportunities provided to students for a multifaceted growth. At GDGWS, our focus remains just that. Our commitment and resolve continue to reflect both. October 2018 saw GDGWS host one of the largest MUNs, which elicited participation from some of the best schools in India and directors from overseas, converging to brainstorm together on issues of topical significance. My congratulations to all for this stupendous event!

Coming days will see our students being provided many more such opportunities.

Enjoy perusing over the pages of our newsletter!

Dr. Neeta Bali

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The enthusiastic members of the organizing committee had planned a “Dilli Darshan” for all the participants, as a welcome gesture and to give them a chance to mingle and familiarize. The tour was planned for a visit to the famous India Gate and Parliament Museum. The day culminated at the famous Dilli Haat, which is known to showcase the beauty of the Indian culture. The students were able to have one-on-one interactions with eminent people and discovered that every monument had its story and anecdotes to establish them. The tour was an amazing opportunity for directors, delegates and secretariat members to interact and talk not only about the conference but also to get to know one another.



## GD GOENKA WORLD MUN

The opening ceremony of the inaugural GWMUN was graced with the presence of Major General G.D Bakshi and Ms. Shivani Wazir Pasrich. The opening ceremony also showcased the divine melody of the Roohani sisters voices and a mesmerising dance performance by the students of G.D Goenka World school. The Director Principal, Dr Neeta Bali, expressed her pleasure in hosting the maiden MUN which is a historic student-driven initiative. She wished the participants the very best for the two days and hoped that the debating sessions of the committees would devise solutions with an intent of creating a utopian world. According to the chief guest true knowledge doesn't trigger through pedagogy, role play is the best way to teach leadership and transfer knowledge. and he was appreciative of the variety of agendas in the various committees at GWMUN. The guest of honour talked about electromagnetic radiation and its effects on us.





The Directors, the delegates, photographers and everyone involved was putting in their best effort to make this just as successful as the day one. The day became eventful due to the multiple rigorous committee sessions, with each committee moving towards a resolution. There were press conferences held in each committee where the dedicated journalists asked compelling questions that put one and all delegates on the spot. Along with these informative press conferences, various committees had crises situations that put the delegates in a position where they had to work together and as quickly as possible. This was done solely because of the teamwork presented by the volunteers and the Directors. The commendable episodes were the times when the Directors, the Secretariat and the International Press worked cohesively to ensure that each delegate and each committee had the resources they needed to work towards a resolution for their agenda. The events had a fervour of building a new world of harmony.



## GD GOENKA WORLD MUN



While debate topics ranged from the situation in Baluchistan to the rise of the Dark Lord, each delegate seemed satisfied by the end of the day with the hard work they had put into their committees. The end of the conference brought along a sense of relief with it, it was also a bittersweet moment for all- finally being done with the hard work of this international three day conference that brought along mixed emotions for us all- relieved because of the liberation of responsibility and work, yet sad, for us having to leave each other after the bonds we had made. The closing ceremony was graced by the presence of GDGU President Dr. Suku Bhaskaran along with the Group Director Mr. Rohit Gujral GD Goenka Group and Director Principal GDGWS Dr. Neeta Bali. An aura of anxiety and curiosity surrounded all the delegates. By the end of it, nobody was ready to say goodbye, and everyone was more than willing to attend this conference again, next year.

# Muh at GEMS

An outstanding two days of MUN activities held at Gems International School, Palam Vihar on 1st / 2nd September' 2018. The whole team of GDGWS participated in back to back events and we must acknowledge and excellent teamwork by all.

GDGWS students performed exceptionally well during the MUN conference.

### Results:

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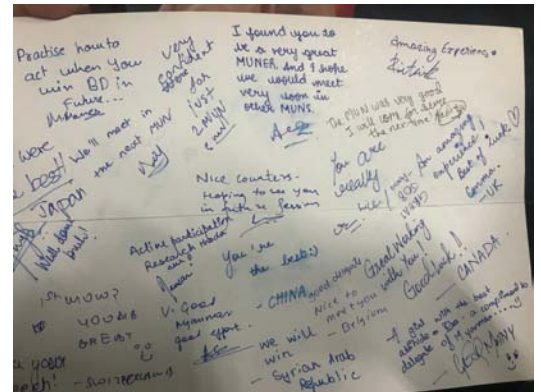
- 1.Priyam Sharma- BEST DELEGATE (CHINA)  
2.Shashank Kataria SPECIAL MENTION (Russia)

UNGA

- 1.Jasmine KAUSHIK-HIGH COMMENDATION (Myanmar)  
2.Shaksham -SPECIAL MENTION (Czech Republic)

UNHRC

- 1.S.L Madhumitha-SPECIAL MENTION (Vietnam)
- 2.Nikita Marwah-VERBAL MENTION (Singapore)
- 3.Min Chan-VERBAL MENTION (Slovenia)
- 4.Akshath Mishra-VERBAL MENTION (Ireland)
- 5.S.L Aditya-VERBAL MENTION (Poland)
- 6.Sreyansh-VERBAL MENTION (Bangladesh)
- 7.Aryan Bansal-VERBAL MENTION (Bulgaria)





# International School Festival

The Kindergarten children took part in the International School Festival held in Lancers International School on Friday, 26th October 2018. The theme was 'Cultural heritage shapes identities'. Amarah Singh, Anvi Singh and Saranya Singh represented G D Goenka World School and participated in Regional/National Costume Parade, where Amarah represented Jammu & Kashmir, Anvi represented Rajasthan and Saranya represented Punjab. The girls were confident in speaking their lines and also performed a dance on respective regional songs. Kudos to them!



# Grandparents' Day 2018

IBPYP at GDGWS believes in making a student an International minded citizen who respects and shows understanding for others' perspectives and becomes a responsible member of the community. To achieve this goal, IBPYP celebrated "Grandparents Day on 7th Sept 2018". Making our children feel that grandparents are not only grandparents, they are our inspiration, our guide and the angel who are always there to understand and support us. More than 100 grandparents turned up for the event and they were welcomed by their grandchildren in their respective form-rooms first. They played some fun-games along with their grandchildren and some grandparents also shared mesmerizing moments with their grandchildren. The children made a take away craft for their grandparents to be presented as a token of love.



Thereafter they got their photos clicked on photo-booth with their grandchild and proceeded for the cultural program at assembly hall. PYP students presented a stupendous show which included dance performances by NURSERY-KG, Grade 1 to Grade 5 medley, orchestra by Grade 4 and 5, Song by Grade 2 and last but not the least a rhyme by grade 3 students. Grandparents were taken away by their phenomenal performances. Later there were surprise activities where each grandparent was engaged in some group performance. They presented a lullaby, rhyme, inspirational song, dance and a fashion show. Each grandparent enjoyed and appreciated the time spent with the grandchildren at school. They were overwhelmed by being involved actively in the celebration. Overall it was a wonderful and a memorable day for each person associated with the event.



# PYP Recognition Day

Recognition Day is an earnest effort at celebrating and appreciating one good act or one great trait in each child. G D Goenka World School organised its PYP Recognition Day on Saturday 22nd September 2018 for the session 2017-2018 in the school premises. The function began with the lighting of lamp followed by a welcome address by the Deputy Heads Ms. Madhu Nangia for Lower primary and Ms. Komal Ahuja for Upper primary. This was followed by the Director Principal Dr. Neeta Bali's address. The Director Principal also introduced the Google boy Kautilya Pandit and the Google girl Jia to the parents. She spoke of the various prestigious awards that the school has won.

Director Principal's address was followed by a short cultural performance by students of Grade KG and Grades 3,4 and 5. The Appreciation certificates for the IB Learner Profile / Attitudes were conferred to each and every Goenkan for their scholastic and co scholastic achievements by Director Principal Dr Neeta Bali, DHM Ms. Shahnaz Bano Butt, PYP Coordinator Ms. Poonam Singh, DHOP Ms. Madhu Nangia and Ms. Komal Ahuja. The function culminated with Vote of thanks by PYP Head of Program Ms. Poonam Singh.

Parents were very appreciative of the initiative taken by the school to recognise each child as they strongly felt students of the age group are unique and have traits worth recognition which acts as a tool of motivation for the little ones.





# PYP Investiture Ceremony

The official ceremony of conferring badges and investing powers, to the members of the school council was organized at the Investiture Ceremony at GDGWS, recently. The lighting of the lamp marked the beginning of the event.

Director-Principal Dr. Neeta Bali congratulated the newly elected office Bearers. She advised them to be true to their duties and set high standards for their juniors to follow.

The PYP Head Boy and the PYP Head Girl delivered their speeches, promising to abide by the qualities of a true leader and uphold the value system of the school with integrity and sincerity, which formally marked the beginning of their role and responsibility.



# Halloween Celebrations



The day was celebrated with excitement, where children came dressed in spooky costumes with candies for trick or treat. They had fun watching the video and enjoyed singing and dancing. They were excited for 'Trick or treat' and went to every class for the same. They were thrilled to make a Halloween bag and took home the same with lots of sweets filled in it





# Global Folk Art

The students of class VI to VIII collected the information of the different folk arts and worked on the Blue Pottery, Hand Made Paper and Tie and Dye art as part of their engagement in the International School Award Activity 'Global Folk Art'. They also watched the documentary on these topics and then got a chance to work with blocks and printed them on the piece of paper. The students were divided into four groups; they researched & worked on the different folk art forms; and also attended the workshops. We had an exhibition of scrapbook prepared by students wherein they collected the information from Internet and library; also made power point presentations; and models on the folk art of the UK/Scotland, Portugal and India. In terms of knowledge they understood the varied folk arts of focus countries and were able to appreciate the artisans as well.



● Block Printing



● Blue Pottery



● Exhibition

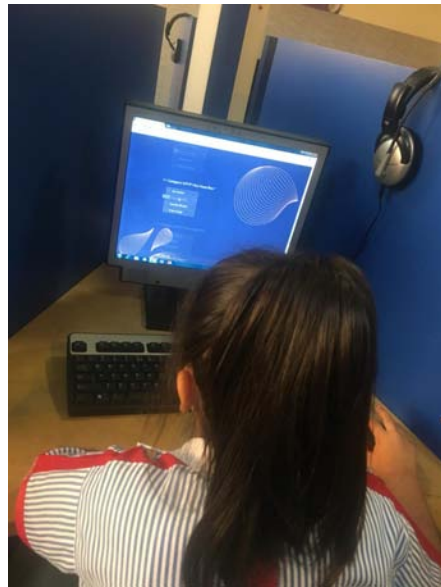
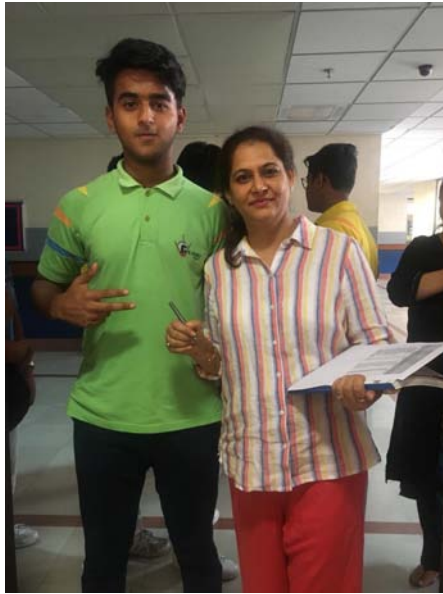


● Tie and Dye

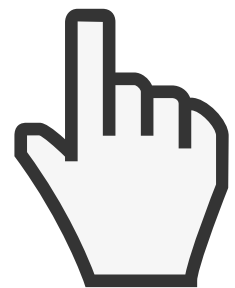








# Student Council Elections 2018



GDGWS-ICT Department conducted their very first online voting platform for Student Council Elections on 19th September 2018. The entire school community including pupils from grades 3-12, teaching fraternity and school authorities voted for the numerous categories on this day. The user-friendly platform was highly appreciated by all pupils and teachers at school. Elections results were compiled instantly and were announced by the Director-Principal to the whole school the very next day.

# IBDP Investiture Ceremony

Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality. -Warren Bennis



A solemn investiture ceremony was held in GD Goenka world school on September 25, 2018. The ceremony began with the Ganesh vandana sang by the choir. The student council members were conferred with badges by our respected teachers and Director-Principal. The badge is a symbolic representation of their determination to carry out the duties vested in them. The school council took the oath with joy and enthusiasm and promised to fulfil their roles in the council.

Dr. Neeta Bali congratulated the student council and encouraged them with her inspiring words. She advised them to use the powers bestowed on them for the betterment of the school and to extend a supporting hand to their peers.



# Colloquium



'Humans to colonise another planet ASAP', the 2nd colloquium conducted on this statement given by Stephan Hawking, saw an enthusiastic participation by schools from Delhi and NCR. It was indeed a pleasure to witness the young minds to present their innovative ideas beyond the realms of the books. The aim of such events is not mere competition but inculcate scientific abilities in the students right from the inception.

The Judges for the event were:  
Dr. Priyanka Sharma & Dr. Supreet  
School of Engineering, G D Goenka University.

The results for the event were as follows:

DPS International, Gurugram - 1st position  
Pathways Arawali - 2nd position  
GD Goenka World school - 3rd position.



The order of the program:

1. The Colloquium commenced with a Ganesh Vandana,
2. Musical performance by the CLS mini band.
3. Presentation of ideas

The results were announced by the esteemed guest, followed by their words of wisdom. Thereafter the students were felicitated by the judges, the DHM, Ms Shahnaaz Butt and CLS HOP, Ms Deepti Kaushal.

# Interact Club 2018-19



Rotary a global network of two million neighbours, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change. Rotary's humanitarian work and the influence that it has on both individuals and the community is tremendous. It is organizations like these that help shape the society we live in with the passion and dedication it takes to make a difference.



Interact clubs bring together young people from ages 12 -18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service above Self. On the occasion of the installation ceremony of new members Dr. Nishchal Pandey from Rotary and GDGWS Director - Principal, Dr. Neeta Bali congratulated them and asked students to empower them with the knowledge and idea that no matter your age or circumstance you can make a change, when you work together.



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4<sup>TH</sup> STUDENT PROJECT EXHIBITION ON ENGINEERING DESIGN

**SPEED**  
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AN ANNUAL  
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**16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018**

**SHOWCASE YOUR  
ENGINEERING TALENT**

## 4th National Student Project Exhibition on Engineering Design



SPEED provides a platform for young students to create new socially, economically and environmentally relevant innovations. All participants get the opportunity to win a grand sum of 60,000 rupees.

The exhibition was inaugurated by the esteemed chief guest, who gave an inspiring speech and shared about all the outstanding schemes his company was offering to young aspiring innovators. His speech invigorated the audience and pushed the participants to do their very best! This year the university not only invited colleges but also high school students to participate. Two teams from GD Goenka World school participated in the competition.

Both teams presented their unique ideas relating to the field of Engineering.



Guided by Ms. Anumeha Thakur and Ms. Naina Vaish, one of the teams (SanRakshan) consisted of Anisha Neogi, Tanushree Kochar, Soumya Pillai and Jin Yong Shin who presented a working model of a vertical urban terrace garden based on waste management, and water and space conservation. Though the contest was mainly about innovative ideas relating to the field of engineering, they were able to present their idea and gained more exposure for the same. It was a wonderful experience as they were able to see other innovative ideas presented by students from other schools and colleges. As they presented their idea to the panel of judges, they received many insightful questions and constructive criticisms. This further helped them to improve their project, setting off a wave of inspiration finding ways to modify bringing change in the society.





# Inter-School Science Project - Speed



On 24th October 2018, students of grade 10 participated in 'Speed' competition, hosted by GD Goenka University's School of Engineering. The participants were Mikul Manocha, Vedant Sakhuja, Harsh Gupta and Jusjeev Singh. The children were really inspired by the chief guest's speech. He said, "We want students to come up with innovative ideas, unique to themselves" and he also said that "Money is not a problem, you can get money from anywhere". He also mentioned that there is a fund of INR 1 crore for innovative ideas.

Next project was a GPU based Cryptocurrency Mining Rig, made using 6 NVIDIA GTX-1060 3GB graphic cards. In simple words, it was an open computer with specialised equipment to maintain the cryptocurrency network. In return the 'miner' got a fee for it. Our mining rig had a specialised motherboard with 8 PCIe slots and a power efficient design. Goenkans used specialised coolers to keep the CPU cool for more profits. The children also developed a special algorithm which changes to BIOS time and block time, which leads to double block finding and double payouts.

Other projects included satellite plans, robots and sustainable agriculture plans. Among 500 participants from more than 125 schools and colleges, GDGWS grabbed the 'Best Project Award'. A proud moment indeed!

# Assocham Visit





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The environmental related activities were performed by the representatives of ASSOCHAM In G.D.Goenka world school from 31 st October 2018 to 2 nd November 2018. The event was organised for students of Grades 9 to 12 in order to raise awareness regarding increasing amount of air pollution prevalent in our environment currently. The activity began on 31 st October by ASSOCHAM team members in association with VOLVO representatives. They informed the students how the rising amount of air pollution is causing detrimental effects on our health. The students were asked to prepare a manifesto on the topic :

“Developing innovative ideas to combat air pollution”. The students were distributed the manifesto cards on which they were to write their ideas. These ideas were to be submitted on the Manifesto cards to respective Incharges as per their grades by November 1, 2018. The best three entries were shortlisted by teachers of Science department. On 2 nd November 2018 the ASSOCHAM team again visited G.D.Goenka World School. After the welcome note, Director-Principal Dr. Neeta Bali addressed the gathering and shared her views about the need of the hour to breathe in clean air and the meaningful work done by ASSOCHAM in partnership with VOLVO. A short film was shown to the students on the importance of clean air. Next, hands on activities with the students were performed. Through the use of air quality meter, the amount of air pollution inside the Assembly Hall was measured. The preparation of an air filter was demonstrated to the students. The DIY (“Do it yourself”) kits were given to students and the students were encouraged to assemble the air filters. These filters will now be donated to underprivileged children. The program culminated in felicitating the Winners of the top three entries. The First prize was bagged by Kashish Bansal of Grade 12, followed by Nikita Nunes and Chirag Yadav of Grade 9 respectively. The ideas of Min of Grade 9 were also appreciated. Trophies and certificates were given to all the winners. Certificate of participation were also distributed to participating students.

G.D.Goenka World School received a trophy from the ASSOCHAM team expressing their gratitude. A vote of thanks was given to all those who contributed in making this event a success. The momentos were given to the ASSOCHAM Team members as a token of appreciation on behalf of G.D.Goenka World School.

Such initiatives will go a long way in spreading awareness about need for Clean Air and imbibing environment friendly technologies and schools are the best medium for this change to happen.

The event was organised by Ms. Sonia Kochhar, Chair of Department-Science, G.D.Goenka World School.





Sports

Section



Trident 2018



# IBDP TRIDENT 2018



## Results

### Soccer (boys)

1st position:

G D Goenka World School.

2nd position: Pathways World School (Noida)

3rd position: Lancers International school

### Soccer (girls)

1st position:

G D Goenka World School

2nd position: Kunskapsskolan

3rd position: Pathways World School (Noida)

### Squash (boys)

1st position:

Pathways World School (Gurugram)

2nd position: G.D Goenka World School

3rd position:

G.D Goenka World School (Team B)

### Squash (girls)

1st position: pathways World School (Noida)

2nd position:

G.D Goenka World School

3rd position Goenka World School (Team B)

### Basketball (girls)

1st position: Suncity World School

2nd position:

G.D Goenka World School

3rd position: Pathways World School (Noida)

### Basketball (boys)

1st position: G.D Goenka World School

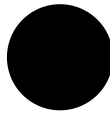
2nd position:

G.D Goenka Public School (Dwarka)

3rd position: Pathways World School (Aravali)



# Basketball & Soccer Tournament



Talent wins games; but teamwork and intelligence wins championships, rightly said by Michael Jordan.

Keeping this in view Students of PYP participated in Inter School PYP Basketball and Soccer Tournament organised by Dps International School from 26-28 September. All the students played with enthusiasm. They showed their true sportsmanship, teamwork and cooperation during each match. Basketball girls secured the second position and soccer boys secured third. Mudita grade 5 got most promising player of the tournament in Basketball. Barkat grade 4 got most valuable player of the tournament in Soccer.



# IGCSE Inter-House Basketball Tournament



After a long summer of training came the time for the young athletes of IGCSE to showcase their hard work put in during practice sessions. GDGWS held an inter-house boys' basketball tournament on the 13th and 14th of August 2018. During these two days, the players exhibited complete focus with enthusiasm towards the sport.

To begin with was the match between Sorbus and Nyssa House where Sorbus House took a lead of 12-05 and won the match, awarding Adhiraj Singh with the Man of the Match. The second match took place between Cedrus and Cycus House where Cedrus won with a score of 19-06, awarding Sukhyunson with the Man of the Match.

Qualities like leadership and team spirit were seen during the intense final match between Sorbus House and Cedrus House, where Sorbus beat Cedrus House by a score of 16-05 points and took the title of being the champions of the tournament. Adhiraj Singh from Sorbus House won the title of the Best Player of the Tournament.

# Swimming Competition

Goenkan Swimmers won 15 Gold, 21 Silver and 24 Bronze Medals. Kudos!





# State Swimming Championship

## Achievements!

Alisha Karwasra bagged 100mts Butterfly Silver and 200 mts butterfly and 400 mts freestyle Bronze medals.

Alisha Afolobi bagged 50 mts freestyle and 100mts butterfly Bronze medals



# Forthcoming Events

8th December - Student Led  
Conference (IB - PYP)

10th December - Founder's Day

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