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An expression of the aspirations of young Goenkans.



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Musings by Director-Principal

"Championing in a Unique Way"

A lot has changed over the last year but despite all the challenges time has allowed us to continue to refine our practice to meet the needs of our students. The most impactful efforts as educators are not grand gestures or inspiring lectures but supportive interactions at the right time! This makes students see themselves as worth every bit of their education. July has been a month that has shown exactly that as we have continuously challenged around major changes and come out as achievers and winners.

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." - Winston Churchill



Dr. Neeta Bali

Stellar IBDP Performers

Our heartiest congratulations to the outgoing batch of IBDP on their stupendous performance. 12 students have secured 40 and above points. Sumer Kaistha has topped with 44 out of a total of 45 points.

We congratulate our students on their brilliant performance!

Congratulations!

**GDGWD IBDP COHORT 2021
CELEBRATES INCREDIBLE RESULTS**

 Sumer Kaistha 44/45	 Harsh Gupta 43/45	 Jusjeev Singh 43/45	 Nishka 43/45	 Abhinav Gupta 42/45
 Ria Arora 42/45	 Raghav Verma 41/45	 Dhruv Wadhwa 41/45	 Rehaan Chibber 41/45	 Saloni Mohan 41/45
 Anika Singh 40/45	 Rakshita Rupani 40/45			

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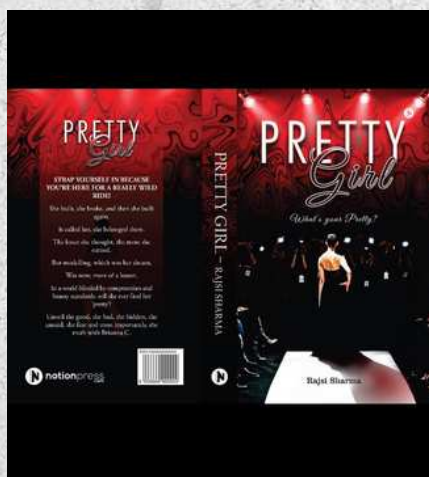


World Malala Day

A special assembly on 'World Malala Day' was presented by grade 12 On 19th July 2021 with an objective of acquainting the student audience with the 'International Malala Day' celebrated every year on July 12 to salute activist, Malala Yousafzai. The whole idea was to familiarise students with Malala by acknowledging and recognising her dedication and diligence towards 'Right To Education, especially prioritising female education. Through highlighting the above, 12 B endeavoured to leave students with some self-introspection for themselves, contemplating on the values, primarily, 'perseverance' and 'honesty' which are the attributes of IB Learner profile as well while making them internalise these subsequently.

Our achievers

Our heartiest congratulations to A-level students Kanishka Sammi and Shashank Kataria (Team- Eleven Eleven) forb reached the top 28 positions after competing with 6476 teams from 14 countries in the 'Young Tycoons Business Challenge.' We thank Ms. Harpreet, our Business Studies teacher, for assisting the students.
Best of luck for the finals!



'Pretty Girl' by Rajsi Sharma

Congratulations to Rajsi Sharma, IBDP year 2, on completing her first novel called 'Pretty Girl', sat on the Authors' Panel at NMS Jaipur's first Literature festival - Literary Fiesta.

She was interviewed along with other well-known authors about her writing journey by literary enthusiasts. **Congratulations to her!**

Learning with the leaders..



We are proud to announce that Abhilaksh of grade 11 was recently chosen to be a part of the Harvard Model Congress Asia 2021 workshop having faced vivid rounds of the selection procedure. Abhilaksh through his hard work and dedication for MUN made a mark in HMCA 2021, a government simulation programme entirely run by Harvard Students who are passionate about international relations, government, and teaching. He will be one of the few students from Asia to discuss current affairs and policies through mock committee sessions of the US government and international political bodies. Moved by his answers, the interviewer approached Abhilaksh to serve as a member of the secretariat in the "Learn with leaders" MUN edition. His ambitions remain crystal clear to work for the best of humanity and make promising wise decisions for the global community as a diplomat in future. We once again congratulate and wish all the very best to a forging future leader in the GDGWS family. **We are very proud of you!**

GCEI Project

Students of IBDP and IGCSE have embarked on a collaborative project with counterparts from Liberia, Tanzania and the USA under the mentorship of Director Principal, Dr. Bali and guidance of staff, Ms Naina Vaish. The project has been undertaken under the guidance of the International Global Culture Education Initiative, to whom the Director Principal is an advisor. The organisation is working to heighten global awareness of sustainability issues. Our students' project is based on the depletion of water level in the Aravalli region.



The IB Edge
A webinar on What parents should know about the IBDP?

Learn everything about the 2 year IB Diploma programme IBDP and its inherent advantages in experiential learning.

Friday, 2nd July 2021
@ 1:00- 2:00 pm IST

GD GOENKA
WORLD SCHOOL
Durgam Chokli Road, India

Dr. Neeta Bali, Director Principal, GD Goenka World School, India
Mr. Bill Volchok, Asst. Director, American School of Barcelona, Spain
Dr. Manisha Mehta, Head, IB Diploma Program, GD Goenka World School, India
Ms. Marta Vernet, CAS Coordinator, American School of Barcelona, Spain

Register for the webinar through the link given below
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Webinar - 'IB Edge'

A webinar titled 'IB Edge' was conducted for parents and students of grades 8 to 10 as well as all those who desired to know about the IB Diploma programme. Co-ordinated deftly by Director Principal, Dr. Neeta Bali, the webinar saw participation by pedagogical leaders from the American School of Barcelona, Mr Bill Volchok and Marta Vernet. Dr Manisha Mehta, the head of IBDP and students of the outgoing batch, Mikul, Sumer, Parisha and Ria as well as Alumnus, Priyam joined the webinar. An excellent interactive session, it saw participation from a large number of people.

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Some of the Questions that will be addressed in this webinar:

1. Is IB the right choice for you?
2. How does IB DIP prepare the learner to face challenges and thrive in this era of uncertainty?
3. The 21st-century skills that a child develops during the 2-year program
4. What is the IB DP Core? How does it make IBDP different from other curricula - EE, TOK, CAS
5. Some Reflections from the Alumna-IBDP Graduates of Class of 2020 and 2021
6. Recognition within India, future prospects for admissions

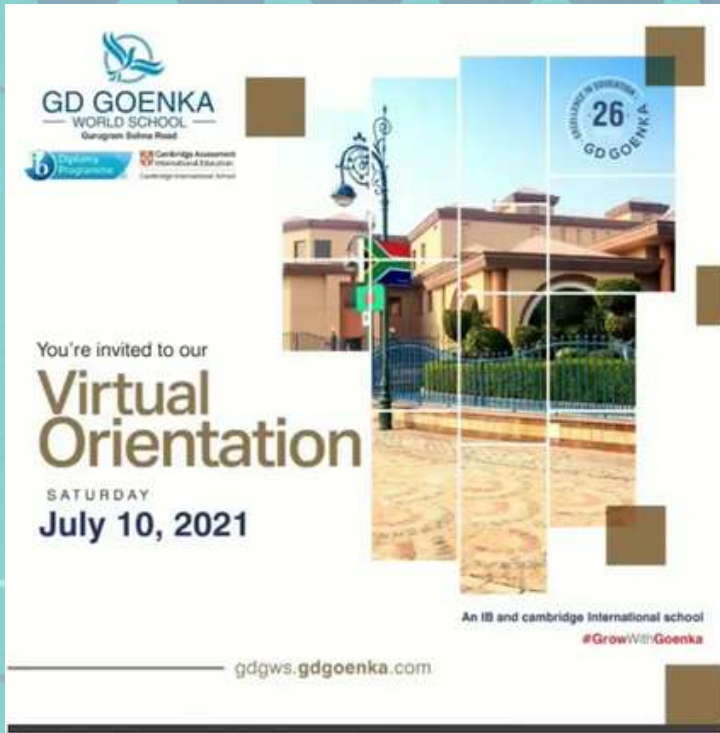
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Virtual Orientation Day

An orientation was organised at G D Goenka World School to welcome the new batch of Goenkans. Director-Principal, Dr. Neeta Bali, gave an overview about the institution and also briefed the parents and students about the Code of Conduct at the school. DHM Ms Shahnaz Banoo Butt briefed them about the various activities, clubs and sports options offered at school for both day scholars and residential boarders. The school administrator Major Kartikey Sharma spoke about various facilities available at school. The second session of the orientation was conducted by Heads of programs individually to acquaint them with the IBDP, AS & A Level, IGCSE, CLS and PYP curriculum.

The highlights of the segment-wise orientation were:

- Structure of the program
- Benefits of the programs
- Subject options
- Assessment criteria
- Various resources available for students and as well as for teachers
- Chairman's Award
- Useful links for parents and students followed by a question answer session.



"Seeds of Hope and Action"

An exhibition called "Seeds of Hope and Action" which is a joint initiative of the SGI (Soka Gakkai International) and the Earth Charter International was organized virtually at GD Goenka World School. The exhibition stressed upon the interconnectedness with the rest of the community of life and the need to broaden the sphere of compassion. 11 student panelists from Grades 4 to 8 participated and spoke about ways to achieve the SDG goals.



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