

VIN-Views, Ideas & News

AN EXPRESSION OF THE ASPIRATIONS OF YOUNG GOENKANS



Musings...

By Mrs Sonali Sinha

Principal of GD Goenka World School

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is a pleasure to share highlights of the vibrant learning experiences and celebrations that continue to shape life at GD Goenka World School. Our students are actively engaging in activities that spark curiosity, creativity, and a strong sense of community, enriching their academic journey and personal growth.

From stimulating classroom discussions to cultural events and collaborative initiatives, each endeavour reflects our vision, 'Thrive. For Life.' We remain committed to nurturing confident, compassionate individuals, ready to make a meaningful impact on the world.

Here's a glimpse of the events and activities that made this period so special.



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CLS INVESTITURE CEREMONY



A proud moment unfolded as the newly elected Cambridge Lower Secondary Student Council took the stage — draped in sashes, adorned with badges, and filled with purpose.

With heads held high and hearts committed, our young leaders pledged to lead with integrity, dedication, and the Goenkan spirit. As they received their insignia, they embraced the responsibilities of their new roles — ready to serve, inspire, and make a difference.

Here's to a journey rooted in respect, collaboration, and excellence.

Congratulations to our newly appointed Student Council members — this is just the beginning!



ORIENTATION 2025



We're delighted to share glimpses from our Orientation Day—a vibrant and purposeful start to the academic journey for our newly enrolled students and their families.

The day was filled with meaningful interactions, engaging sessions with the leadership team, insightful campus tours, and light-hearted activities that set a warm and welcoming tone for the year ahead.

A very warm welcome to the GDGWS family!



A Sustainable Campus

GD Goenka Education City has adopted Piped Natural Gas (PNG) across its entire campus including GD Goenka University, GD Goenka World School and GD Goenka High School, reinforcing its commitment to safer, cleaner and more efficient infrastructure.



PNG, or Piped Natural Gas, is a reliable green fuel and an environmentally responsible alternative to traditional sources. Supplied directly through a pipeline network, it eliminates the need for LPG storage, reduces emissions, and significantly lowers fire and handling risks. The transition not only supports our sustainability goals but also enhances day-to-day safety and convenience for students, staff, and residents across campus. This step aligns with our focus on building a greener, future-ready campus where sustainability is integrated into everyday operations.

Celebrating

IBDP 2025
RESULTS

We are proud to celebrate the achievements of our IBDP Class of 2025 at GD Goenka World School.

Their success reflects not only academic excellence but also the resilience, dedication, and spirit that define them — supported throughout by our committed educators and encouraging parents.

This milestone also deepens our commitment to creating future-ready learning environments, where we nurture a community that is team-centric, harmonious, resilient, innovative, versatile, and empathetic.

At the heart of this journey lies Goenka 2.0 — our renewed vision to empower learners with purpose, passion, and preparedness.

This is what it means to *Thrive. For Life.*


Thrive. For life.


IBDP RESULTS
CLASS OF 2025

Cohort Size	Highest Score	40 Points and above	30 Points and above
58	41	7%	41%

TOK & EE

28 students scored A or B grade in Extended Essay
 21 students scored A or B grade in Theory of Knowledge

Congratulations to all proud Goenkans!






Thrive. For life.


GD GOENKA WORLD SCHOOL
IBDP COHORT 2025
CELEBRATES INCREDIBLE RESULTS

41/45 Hemant Yadav	40/45 Muskan Malik	40/45 Srishti Maheshwari	38/45 Alysha Nazuk Malhotra	38/45 Alankrita Sain	38/45 Adonia Vats	36/45 Alyssa Gupta
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Gracious Good Graces

FAIRTRADE INDIA SCHOOL: NURTURING VALUES THAT ENDURE

Heritage & Sustainability



At GD Goenka World School, students of Grades 6 to 8 recently participated in two insightful sessions—Heirloom Restoration and Fashion with a Purpose—designed to connect cultural heritage preservation with sustainable living.



Through reflective discussions and hands-on activities, students explored the stories and values embedded in heirlooms passed down through generations and examined the environmental impact of fast fashion. They also discovered practical ways to reduce waste through reusing, mending, and upcycling.



As a proud Fairtrade India registered school, GDGWS remains committed to promoting Fairtrade India values of responsible consumption and ethical education, fostering a generation that thinks deeply and acts wisely.

IBDP STUDENTS EXPLORE LE CORDON BLEU, GURUGRAM



Our IBDP students had the enriching opportunity to visit the esteemed Le Cordon Bleu, Gurugram. The session offered valuable insights into the world of culinary arts and hospitality management, highlighting the institution's academic structure, global presence, and distinguished legacy.

Through an engaging presentation, students discovered how Le Cordon Bleu seamlessly combines practical training with theoretical learning, fostering creativity, discipline, and international exposure. The experience broadened their understanding of the industry and inspired many to consider hospitality as a dynamic and rewarding career path.



IBDP Investiture Ceremony

“Leadership isn’t about being in charge. It’s about caring for those in your charge.” — Simon Sinek

Today, at GD Goenka World School, our Student Council embraced their roles with pride and purpose. Sashes adorned, badges gleaming, each leader took an earnest oath to lead with fairness, inclusivity, and an open heart.

As our Principal reminded us, today marks “the dawn of new responsibilities”, underscoring that leadership is both an honour and a calling.

Stepping into the era of Goenka 2.0—an inspiring vision centred on being future-ready, forward-thinking, and committed to nurturing individuals who Thrive for Life—our student leaders are ready to shape meaningful change with resilience, empathy, and innovation.



Celebrating

THE SPIRIT OF FREEDOM

On a gentle, rain-kissed morning, GD Goenka Schools came together to celebrate India's 79th Independence Day with warmth, pride, and unity.

The day began with the Flag hoisting ceremony, the tricolour standing tall and vibrant against the monsoon sky, followed by a beautiful patriotic song and soulful musical renditions by the school choir. A captivating dance performance reflected the true essence of freedom and love for the nation.

It was a morning of pride and reflection, honouring our journey as a nation and inspiring us to work towards a brighter future.



RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT - ANGEL ARORA



Recognising Outstanding Achievement

Congratulations to Angel Arora of Class 9 for securing an impressive Zonal Rank 11 in Haryana by SOF Olympiads in the International English Olympiad (IEO) for the academic year 2024–2025.

This remarkable achievement is a testament to her dedication, language proficiency, and academic rigour.

We take great pride in our students who continue to excel on esteemed platforms, demonstrating global competence and a passion for learning.

INTERACT CLUB INSTALLATION CEREMONY

Your text is already well-written and grammatically correct in British English! Here's a lightly polished version for improved flow, clarity, and consistency (mainly formatting and punctuation tweaks):

The Interact Club of GD Goenka World School proudly ushered in a new chapter with its annual Installation Ceremony — a celebration of dedication, leadership, and service.

With the gracious presence of our Principal, Mrs Sonali Sinha, and distinguished Rotarian Dr Nischal Pandey, badges were conferred upon the newly elected board, symbolising the beginning of a purposeful journey ahead.

Anchored in the motto “Service Above Self”, the Interact Club remains committed to driving meaningful change, nurturing leadership, and fostering global citizenship.

Core Team 2025–26

- President – Anusha Neogi
- Vice President – Vaanya Kaushal
- Secretary – EunJin Jo
- Treasurer – Riddhima Lavanya
- Project Managers – Arshiya, Aarna Bhan, Viaan Upadhyay
- Head of Outreach – Khushi Sharma
- Head of Publications – Vanshika
- Chairs – Dhriti Yadav, Shashwat Sinha, Myra Seth, Angel Arora
- Advisor – Nerav Jain
- Teacher In-Charge – Anshul Srivastava



ANNUAL DAY 2025

Mahabharata

GD Goenka World School lit up with its Annual Day Celebration – an evening of tradition, creativity and academic brilliance.

We welcomed our Chief Guest, Mr Manan Bhardwaj, an acclaimed Indian singer, songwriter, and Bollywood Filmfare awardee, and commenced the event with the ceremonial lamp-lighting, a symbol of wisdom and hope.

Our Principal, Ms Sonali Sinha, addressed the gathering and shared the school's key milestones, achievements and vision for the future. The Scholastic Awards Ceremony celebrated our top achievers across Cambridge Lower Secondary, IGCSE and IBDP, honouring their dedication and excellence. Among them, Dhriti Yadav received the prestigious Chairman's Award for securing Rank 1 with 92.5 per cent. She achieved seven A* and one A across eight subjects.

The stage then came alive with 'Mahabharata – The Timeless Epic', a spectacular production by students of grades 3 to 12, showcasing their passion, talent and teamwork.

Thank you to our Management, parents, staff and students for creating an unforgettable evening – a reflection of Goenka 2.0 and our vision to Thrive. For Life.



GOENKAN BOARDING – HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Boarders' Day Out

On a recent weekend, GD Goenka boarders took a well-deserved break, starting with a visit to the Museum of Illusions in Delhi. Interactive exhibits and mind-bending optical illusions sparked curiosity, laughter, and plenty of photo-worthy moments.



The adventure continued at a popular mall in Gurugram, where students enjoyed bowling, shopping, and indulging in delicious food. From arcade games to shared conversations over snacks, the outing was a perfect mix of fun, friendship, and relaxation.



FRESHER'S PARTY 2025-26



The newly elected Boarding Council of GD Goenka Schools hosted a memorable Freshers's Party 2025-26, welcoming new boarders with warmth and joy.

An evening of celebration, camaraderie, and togetherness — marking the beginning of their journey in the Goenkan family.



BOARDERS LANDSCAPE DRAWING COMPETITION



The Goenkan boarders transformed blank sheets into breathtaking landscapes during the Landscape Drawing Competition—each stroke echoing their creativity, dreams, and spirit.

More than just a competition, it was a celebration of expression, togetherness, and the quiet magic of young minds at work. The joy of creating together, the laughter shared, and the stories told through colour made it a day to remember.



FUTURE-READY CLASSROOMS: INTERACTIVE PANELS AND IB ONLINE RESOURCES



At GD Goenka World School, we are proud to take another step towards future-ready education with the installation of Interactive Panels in all classrooms, from Foundation 1 to Grade 12. To ensure maximum impact, our teachers recently participated in a comprehensive training session conducted by the IT and Teachmint teams, aimed at unlocking the full potential of this cutting-edge technology.

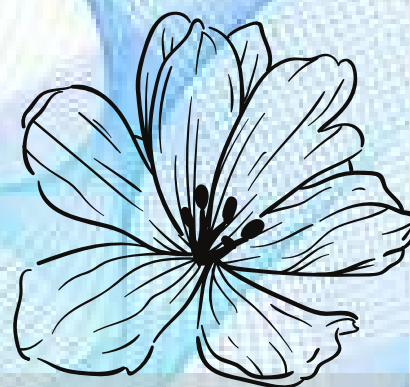
The school has also introduced IB online resources in Mathematics, Science, Business Management, Psychology, and Economics, enriching learning experiences and strengthening inquiry-based education.

Together, these initiatives are transforming traditional classrooms into dynamic, engaging, and tech-enabled learning spaces. They enable teachers to deliver lessons that captivate and inspire, while students benefit from interactive learning, enhanced conceptual clarity, and personalised engagement—equipping them with the skills and confidence to thrive in a digital-first world.



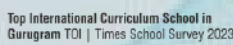
✶ IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 6: CLS Inter-House Throwball Tournament begins | Inter-House Tennis (Grades 3–5)
- Oct 8: Inter-House Basketball (Grades 9–12)
- Oct 15: Inter-House The Goenkan Podium (Grades 9–12)
- Oct 17: Diwali-Themed Inter-House Competition (Grades 3–5)
- Oct 20–26: Diwali Break
- Oct 27: School Reopens | Assembly: Coping with Peer Pressure (Grades 9–12)
- Oct 30: Inter-House Spell Bee Round 1 (Grades 3–5)
- Oct 31: Halloween Celebration (PYP & CLS)



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