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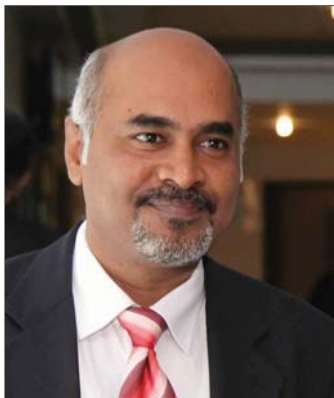


Message from Principal

Dear Parents,

Greetings!

It's such a pleasure to write to you again! I thank all of you who have been with us since last year for your unwavering support in all our endeavours and extend a very warm welcome to all the new parents. As I look back at 2013-14, I am filled with a sense of achievement.



Though it was our first year, our teachers and staff went that extra mile to ensure that all our students were provided with a stimulating learning environment and countless opportunities to explore their talents. The house activities, participation in inter school competitions, exposure to external examinations and of course the grand sports day and annual days – all these and many more kept our students busy throughout the year and made them look forward to coming to school.

Our second year has started with a bang! We are growing from strength to strength. With the increased number of students, newer sports and co-curricular activities have been introduced. Our focus on academic excellence continues to ensure that our students' achievement is benchmarked with the best in the country, which is why we are sponsoring all our students for the ASSET exam in English, math and Science which will provide the school and each student with a detailed analysis of the strengths and areas for improvements. We will continue with remedial classes and enrichment work for our students to address each one of their scholastic requirements.

This year we have started the Parent Support Group which is eager to add value to all the initiatives of the school. Apart from the formation of PSG, we continue to offer a number of opportunities for parents to become part of their child's schooling. The workshops and parent engagement programmes that we keep organizing ensure that the bond between the school and parent becomes stronger by the day.

As a school committed to overall wellbeing of our students, we have spruced up our safety and security measures. I have already sent a mail with specific action that is being implemented at GIIS to further ensure that our students are in a caring and secure environment.

I sign off with a promise that, each day would offer something exciting to all our students.

With warm regards,
Ramesh Mudgal, Principal

THE NEWS OF THE MONTH

- Investiture Ceremony
- Assembly-Primary
- GIIS student exchange programme, Parent & child look like contest, Pre-Asset orientation program
- Rajasthan folk music, Micro teaching

Investiture Ceremony

The student council members of the school were invested with responsibility of leading the student body in a formal ceremony on 2nd July. The event began with school prayer followed by news presented by Class 3 B students. The members of the council were then handed over the torch of knowledge, courage, confidence and duty. The Parents of the student council were also present there to witness the occasion and they wished the members plenty of success in their entire future endeavour.

Another important aspect of the event was felicitation of students for their exemplary performance in the Olympiad examinations. Students who had recorded 100% attendance in 2013-14 session were also honoured. Winner of the 'Mothers Day' Photo contest was also felicitated.

Depicted through a motivational song and a scintillating dance performance by the students of GIIS, the event turned out to be a great success.



Assembly-Primary

- **SERVICE- An act of helping:** Building Character is one accomplishment which parents, teachers and mentors try to instill in their children and school assemblies are a great way to impact our kids. On 1st July 2014, students of grade 1-C got their 1st opportunity to perform the assembly on "SERVICE". Service is the act of doing something or helping someone without any expectations. According to M.K Gandhi, "Human body is solely meant for Service, never for indulgence". The theme "Service" is chosen



as a part of our Mahatma Gandhi Centre for Universal Values in which students are introduced to a range of values throughout the year. The assembly started with the school prayer and pledge which was administered by Om

Sharma and Alakananda followed by the thought for the day presented by Ishika, and News was read out by Sanjula, Shivishnu, Nishita, and Himank. The students performed a dance on the theme. A PowerPoint presentation was presented along with a video which emphasized on the nature of Services that can be performed. The assembly concluded with the announcement of the winners of Best out of waste and poster making competition and awarded with a token of appreciation. Student of the Month and Best Classroom of the month were also announced followed by the National anthem.

- **Class 3 B Assembly:** On 2nd July, 2014 the students of grade 3 B conducted an Assembly on the Theme 'Investiture Ceremony.' This was followed by honouring of the newly elected members of the student council with badges by our Revered Principal, Mr Ramesh Mudgal. The members of the council were handed over the torch of knowledge, courage, confidence and duty. The Parents of the student council were also present there to witness the occasion and they wished the members plenty of success in their entire future endeavour. Depicted through a motivational song and a scintillating dance performance by the students of GIIIS, the event turned out to be a great success.
- **Students of Grade 5 A presented their assembly on 16th July on the theme 'Top 5 Environmentalists from India'.** The students emphasized the importance of keeping the environment clean which was depicted by a short skit written and directed by Rishik Pawani of Grade 5. The skit showed the fact that anyone from any profession can become an environmentalist provided he/she has the passion towards it. Arman highlighted the contribution made by top 5 eminent Indian Environmentalists. The idea of keeping the environment clean was triggered by a wonderful musical performance. The assembly was anchored by Neha and Vaishnavi. Allen, commanded the pledge, News updation was read by Uma and a refreshing thought was shared by Srinivas Sai Krishna.

The assembly was further made interesting with the felicitation of students who won prizes in the inter house competitions. Individual certificates were given to children from Grade 3 to 6 for Poster making and Role Play competition.

Looking forward to your advice,...

- **Van Mahotsav - Grade 6 Assembly:** On 9th of July, Grade VI A presented assembly with the theme of Van Mahotsav. The assembly started with the prayer followed by pledge lead by Yug. An enlightening thought was presented by Oorjit. News reporters Yug and team updated on happenings across the Globe. Urshitha and Mouna highlighted about Chipko, Appiko movement. Keertana presented on Quality Circle of Grade 6 A which identified "Home work completion" for area to work. An interesting and highly participative Quiz was conducted by Meghana, Madumita and

Urshitha. The assembly concluded with a euphoric performance by the students followed by National Anthem.

- **Vanamahotsava - Grade 2 A assembly:** On 8th July 2014, the students of grade 2 A presented the assembly on "Van Mahotsava - the festival of trees." The assembly started with the school prayer and pledge followed by the thought for the day and the news. Then Arudhra gave an inspiring speech on the importance of trees and the need to conserve our forests. The students presented a group dance with great fervour and enthusiasm to highlight the noble and global cause of conserving our planet Earth and motivated the students to tread on the green path. A PowerPoint presentation entitled 'Van Mahotsava: Environment Revolution Begins With Greening Motherland' was shown with an initiative to encourage the students to be more responsible in keeping their environment clean and green to protect the mother Earth. The assembly concluded with the national anthem.
- **Grade 2B Assembly – Sacrifice:** "Sacrifice" is the surrender of a greater value for the sake of a lesser one. Sacrifice is always related to a higher cause for a greater good. It is an act of giving up something valued for the sake of something else regarded as more important or worthy
SACRIFICE IS THE LANGUAGE OF LOVE!
SACRIFICE IS THE KEY TO REPARATION!
SACRIFICE IS THE EXPRESSION OF LOVE!

Students of II B elegantly expressed the value of sacrifice and its importance in their assembly on 15th July. They performed a dance drama of "Punniyakoti" where the cow was very truthful and honest. They also sang a melodies song 'Ye Mere Watan ke logo' to depict the importance of sacrifice by all the martyrs. PPT on sacrifice gave a clear understanding and more views about the value of sacrifice.

It was an amazing show!

- **Holy Ramadan – Grade 1 A Assembly** Grade 1A students presented their assembly on 22nd July with "Ramdan" as a theme. Ramdan, which means satisfaction, is the ninth month of the Muslim year, during which strict fasting is observed from dawn to sunset. The assembly began with the school prayer and was followed by the thought of the day, read by Anusha. Pledge was administered by Ishan and Chandresh. Vedant explained the significance of Ramdan, which was followed by a dance performance by the students of 1A on the song "Maulla...Maulla....Maulla mere Maulla....".
- **Grade 4 Assembly** On 23rd July, students of grade 4 A presented their assembly on the topic "Sacrifice". The special attraction of this assembly was a touching poem written by Subhadra Kumari Chauhan. Students enjoyed reciting this wonderful poem. Aashi Aggarwal, on behalf of grade 4 students presented their Quality Circle on the topic which affecting most students of Grade 4. They will present the analysis and action plan in their next quality circle presentation.
- **Grade 3 A :** Gone are the days when only a limited students would be acting as orators or performers. At GIIIS, the children are impelled to cast off inhibitions and are made more eloquent and poignant. Every morning the students get a chance to present their views in the form of morning assemblies or classroom presentations.

On 30th July, the students of grade 3 A conducted an Assembly on "Qutub-e-ramzan". With the help of a power point presentation and a dance performance dedicated to Allah (the almighty), they were successful in bringing out the essence of Ramzan.

Not only this, the students also presented a quality circle presentation. The students had brainstormed and tried to identify classroom problems. The problems were voted out and presented with the help of a Bargraph. The assembly was closed on the note that the students will analyse the root cause of the problem and come up with a solution implemented with results in the next quality circle presentation.



GIIS Student exchange programme through video conference

Being part of a chain of schools has a great advantage! We get to learn from students and teachers of other GIIS campuses. As a part of GIIS Knowledge Exchange programme, 10 students from Grade through actively participated in the video conference across the campuses – Noida, Indore, Malaysia. They presented on the topic “Life in a square”. Students found many interesting things, plants, and animals during their nature walk in the campus and presented on them at the conference. It was a highly interactive session in which our students learnt of the many interesting things, plants and animals of found at Noida, Indore and GIIS Malaysia campuses.



Parent and Child Look Alike Contest

GIIS conducted a “Parent and Child look-alike contest” at the school’s AV Hall on 10th July, 2014 with the objective of providing an opportunity for parents and children to participate together as a team.

Challenge of the event was for each parent and child to come up with an innovative costume, and then walk the ramp with both wearing the same dress.

Parents enthralled the audience with their creativity by coming up with out-of-the-box costume designs. Not only did they conceive the idea, they actually designed the costume and wore it too with their child. Here are some of the very interesting designs:

- 1) Save earth and water
- 2) Fire fighters(Third prize Radhika Amit Menon and Abhimanyu Amith Menon KG2 B)
- 3) Google map
- 4) Traditional Bengali costume
- 5) Newspaper attire with recycling as the theme
- 6) Rock-stars
- 7) Bunch of green grapes(Second prize Sowjanya Dayanand and Joel KG2B and Joshua Dayanand Grade 3)
- 8) Cow-boy
- 9) Robot (First Prize, Mr. Prashant and Siya B KG1 D)

Big kudos to the parents and children for such an enthusiastic participation and great ideas !!!



Pre-Asset orientation program

GIIS has tied up with Educational Initiatives, Ahmedabad to conduct ASSET exam for students from Grade 3 to 6 in English, Math and Science. ASSET aims to improve the logical reasoning and thinking skills among students. Keeping this in mind a Pre-ASSET orientation program was organised by the school for primary teachers and students from Grade 3-6 on 24.07.14. Mr. Sher Khan, resource person from EI explained the students the importance of ASSET, which aims to diagnose the strengths of a student. All of them were advised to read the question paper thoroughly, to avoid guessing the answers etc. They were also explained how to answer on an OMR sheet. It was an interactive as well as informative session for both the teachers as well as the students.



Rajasthani Folk Music presentation by Manganiar Troupe

On 9th August 2014, GIS organized a Rajasthani folk music Presentation by Shri Bhutte Khan Manganiar and Troupe. With this event, the school began a highly fruitful association with Spic Macay which stands for The Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Among Youths. It's a voluntary youth movement dedicated to promoting Indian music, art and culture around the world. The Manganiars enthralled the audience with their melodious folk music presentation. The event concluded with a thunderous applause for all the artists who were felicitated by our Principal Mr.Ramesh Mudgal.



Micro Teaching – A best practice

Microteaching sessions are practice teaching sessions where teachers present short lessons to a small group of peers and receive detailed feedback on their performance. GIIS teachers extensively use this technique to improve their teaching skills. Ms.Baishali Sen Math Teacher of GIIS Whitefield presented a lesson on 'Place Value' (aimed at teaching Grade 2 students) on 8th July. Teachers from GIIS Noida, Indore, Surat, Ahmedabad and Chinchwad campuses participated in the session through video conferencing. The session focused on interactive teaching techniques to ensure maximum participation from students. The session culminated with feedback from other teachers on how it could have been better and appreciation to Ms.Baishali for a highly interactive lesson

'I am smarter than a 5th grader'- an edifying and fun filled parent engagement activity was organized at the Global Indian International School, Bangalore on 25th July 2014.

It was indeed a delight to see the enthusiastic parents participate with a healthy competitive spirit. The mind boggling questions prepared by the Quiz master, Ms. Banani had been taken from elementary school textbooks, from Grade 1 to Grade 5. It was a three round quiz event in which five finalists competed for the first, second and third position. Along the way, the players could be assisted by a "student"- the construct being such that the parents could choose one of the five Grade 5 members.

The event turned out to be a great success and it was hard not to notice the contagious enthusiasm of each of the five finalists to emerge winners in the competition. In an extremely engrossing and competitive event, Mrs. Srividhya Cauvery, parent of Uma Maheshwari (Grade 5) bagged the first position. The second position went to Mr. Anil Kumar Talluri, parent of Aaditya Talluri (Grade 2), while Mr. S. Hariprasad, parent of Mitul K. H (K.G II) acquired the third position. Our revered principal, Mr. Ramesh Mudgal felicitated the winners by distributing prizes in a well contested event!



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