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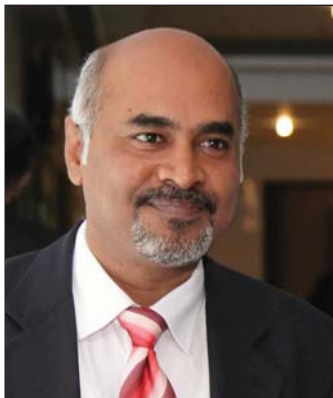


Message from Principal

Dear Parents,

Greetings!

September was a crucial month for our Grade 1 to 6 students. The first Summative Assessment was carried out in all the scholastic subjects. Days of intensive revision by teachers and weeks of thorough preparation by students themselves helped them face the assessment with



confidence. The week long break after the assessment was indeed a great motivator and refresher for the students!

Our students in Pre Primary continued to make strides in their pursuit of Global Montessori Plus programme. Their grasp of words, numbers and of course the bonding with their friends and teachers grows every day! Besides the regular classroom activities, the students continue to have great fun with their Edusports classes, Kiddy's pool (rain does paly spoil sport sometimes!) and lots of celebrations. The 'Reading Mom' programme launched in September has received huge support from mothers, students and their teachers.

Broadening the horizon of opportunities for students is a very important aspect of our 9 GEMS holistic education model. Keeping in tune with this philosophy, selected students were sent to inter school competitions organized by Times NIE, School of India, Deens Academy and Sri Sri Ravishankar Vidya Mandir. Our students bagged 1st position in Fancy Dress competition and 3rd position in the Fold Dance Competition at the SSRVM held.

Global Student Exchange Programme is one of the key advantages for GIIS students. As a part of this, we will be sending selected students to Indore for Inter GIIS Chess Championship to be held in December at GIIS Indore and GIIS Jhankaar Dance and GIIS Idol Singing competitions to be held at GIIS Noida in November. The campus is abuzz with excited students and teachers who are preparing for these competitions.

Please do book your slots on myGIIS to meet up with the teachers of your child on the 18th October during our second Parent Teachers Meet.

Before I sign off, I urge each one of you to contribute in making 'School Enterprise Challenge' a huge success by sending used paper along with your to be dropped into the collection box. Every sheet counts!

With warm regards,
Ramesh Mudgal, Principal

THE NEWS OF THE MONTH

- Green Day Celebration
- KG1 D Special Assembly and GIIS Geetanjali Scholarship for the Girl Child, Onam Celebration
- #ThankATeacher, Grand Parents Day Celebration
- Learning@Library, Monsoon Day



Green Day Celebration

The students of Pre Primary classes celebrated Green day on September 26th. Children and teachers came dressed in green and did a number of activities related to the colour green. Gardens, trees, green lanterns, green turtles, green frogs, caterpillar, cabbage, green peas and many more were created through a variety of methods including vegetable printing, handprints, foot prints, balloon craft, sponge painting and colouring. The KG2 students also did science experiments, gardening and music and movement on Green day and it was a great learning experience for the children.



KG1 D **Special Assembly** and **GIIS Geetanjali Scholarship** for the Girl Child.

Dandiya Raas is the traditional folk dance form of Gujarat, which is performed in Goddess Durga's honour. This dance form is actually the staging of a mock-fight between Goddess Durga and Mahishasura, the mighty demon-king. This dance is also nicknamed 'The Sword Dance'.

The origin of these dances can be traced back to the life of Lord Krishna. Today, Dandiya Raas is not only an important part of Navaratri in Gujarat but extends itself to other parts of the country. The Pre Primary students staged a special assembly for parents on September 19th where students of KG1 D and Pre Primary teachers took part in the Dandiya performance.

The assembly also witnessed the presentation of GIIS Geetanjali Scholarship for the Girl Child. This scholarship which has been instituted in the memory of late Geetanjali Kannan, IB Coordinator of GIIS Queenstown endows a sum of money to cover the cost of uniforms and books for 2 girl students enrolled under RTE Act at GIIS Bangalore. Principal Mr. Ramesh Mudgal presented the cheques to the parents of Navya and Sihi B of KG1 who were selected for this award.



Onam Celebration

To bring out the festive spirit among children the students and teachers of the Pre Primary section presented a special assembly on the festival of Onam on Monday, September 8, 2014.

Onam falls during the Malayalam month of Chingam (Aug - Sep) and marks the commemoration of Vamana avatara of Vishnu and the subsequent homecoming of mythical King Mahabali. Onam is reminiscent of Kerala's agrarian past, as it is considered to be a harvest festival. Selected students of KG2 presented a song 'Maaveli naadu vaneedum kalam' and students from Nursery and KG1 performed a dance 'Poovilli Poovilli'. The program culminated with the performance of 'Thiruvathira' dance by the Pre Primary teachers.



Appreciation for the teachers of GHS Bangalore from our beloved parents on the occasion of Teachers Day.



Grandparents share a special relationship with their grandchildren. To celebrate this special relationship, GHS Bangalore conducted Grandparents Day on 10th Sep 2014. The event commenced with a special Assembly conducted by the students of grade 3B. The highlight of the event was GHS Jhankaar - The parent and child dance competition. A colourful Chattisgarhi dance was presented by the students of grade 5. The grandparents later visited the classes and interacted with the students, thus sharing their experiences with them.



Learning@Library

Library is not just a place for mere acquisition of knowledge and information but also a place where students learn research skills. Students of Grade 2 B successfully completed the library projects. The literary talents of grade 2 B students came to light with the special library projects in which students submitted, poems, short stories and anecdotal incidents. Through this project, students collected information available from library resources and presented it in aesthetically designed booklets to the librarian. Lots of learning to take away for everyone!



Monsoon Day

Playing with water can be absolute fun for kids and that is exactly what the students of Pre Primary enjoyed on Monsoon Day. The monsoon season brings showers of cheer to kids and while they may not have had a chance to play in the rain, at GIIS we gave them an opportunity to dress up in their raincoats and carry their umbrellas to dance in the showers of water to the tune of foot tapping music. The kids and their teachers had a time of pure fun and enjoyment celebrating Monsoon Day.



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