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“I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.” - Thomas A. Edison



It was an amazing experience. The ‘Ripples’ – a combination of Book Quiz and Music competition took place at JBCN International School was great. Students across grades 5 to 7 were selected for the book quiz, whereas I was selected for Ripples Ensemble, a music competition.

There were 8 different performances, and the top 3 were: Thakur International School, (CIE), (3rd) JBCN International School (2nd) and, the first place was secured by Euro School Cambridge. The theme of my song was on the UN Sustainable Development Goals which is to Eradicate Poverty & Hunger. At first, I felt really nervous but once I was on the stage I sang my heart out. I sang the song ‘Hall of Fame’ by The Script - to which we made some changes in the lyrics. I felt honoured to secure 3rd place in the competition. A special thanks to my teachers for giving me this opportunity to showcase my talent on an interschool level.

- Gayathri , Grade 7



Teachers give us knowledge; love and they are just like our mothers. As we all know, Teachers’ Day came by. It was memorable as we entertained all our admirable teachers enthusiastically. The atmosphere was full of zeal from the students and curiosity from the teachers as to what treat the kids had in store for them.

We had a special assembly for all the teachers. The seventh grade was the first to perform and next in line was ninth grade. It was outstanding and downright humorous, with a glimpse of 3 subject lectures. Later, there was an impressive speech by the head girl of our school: Kareena Kale which inspired all of our fabulous teachers.

In addition to that, Grade 9 had astoundingly performed a skit and a game. Their skit was a medley of fun class lecture scenes. The game was exceptionally unique compared to the games we, kids, play at home. It was called ‘Guess the song’.

The results weren’t revealed as the audience was engaged in the fashion show organized by Grade 9 again. The students managed to persuade all the teachers to walk the ‘Red Carpet’. Soon thereafter, we packed our bags and headed home smiling, chatting and feeling proud to have made our teachers smile on their special day.

-Riya Shah Grade 7

DIPLMATHON

DIPLMATHON is a high impact learning platform for school students to participate and reinvent the Diplomat

within. DIPLOMATHON provides a one stop learning module in International Relations, Public Speaking & World Affairs. Grades 7 to 11 from our school had participated in DIPLOMATHON on 2nd and 3rd September 2017.

Firstly, one of the co-founders, Ms Niyati Khanna, had held an orientation in our school to tell us what DIPLOMATHON is. We were excited to participate because this was going to be our first MUN conference ever! Mr Hriday Bhatt, co – founder came to train us over the next three weeks.

Every student was allotted to a specific committee and was told to represent a country; this was done with the help of an online test. Finally, it was the time of the conference which lasted for two days. We saw numerous schools who took part in this. It was a memorable experience as we got the opportunity to communicate with different people, give speeches and debate.

At the last day of the conference, the delegates received their participation certificates and in every committee, a student was awarded as ‘The Best Delegate’. From our school, some of the students who were awarded are: Deep Parekh and Shikhar Shah; Sarthak Bhadhamkar was given a special mention for his exceptional performance.

Heartiest congratulations to all of them!

- Harsha Chugh Grade 9

TIMES NIE FUNDAMENTAL QUIZ

Students from schools all over Mumbai reached Prabhodhankar Thakrey Auditorium, Borivali to participate in Times NIE Fundamental Quiz at 10:30AM on Friday, 22nd September 2017. Schools were allowed a maximum of six teams of 3 participants each. As the students entered the auditorium they were handed over the forms to fill in their personal details.

The auditorium was chock-a-block and once everyone was seated. The quizmaster welcomed all and announced the event format. The quiz had two rounds and a presentation by the event co-sponsor Vidyalkar Classes. All the teams participated in the first round and the top six teams qualified for the second round.

The first round was a written test that included science, problem solving and visual sections. While the papers were evaluated, a team from Vidyalkar Classes gave a presentation highlighting the courses offered and scholarship provided. After the presentation, results of the first round were announced. Top six teams took the stage while others cheered them from the auditorium.

The second round was an oral quiz that included a buzzer round, scientific inquiries and problem solving sections. This round was like a rollercoaster and finally Podar International School emerged victorious, Cambridge International School was the first runner-up and Gokuldham High School was the second runner-up.

Dispersal was a bit chaotic as there were a huge number of students from various schools. Soon some sense prevailed as the authorities took charge and sanity was restored. Students boarded the buses and returned to their schools. Dispersal at the venue can be school-wise to avoid confusion and chaos.

-Melosa Rao, Grade 8

UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

On September 25th, 2017 the students of Thakur International School-CIE sat for an extremely knowledgeable and interactive orientation with UNSW’s (University of New South Whales) representative from Delhi.

She shared some of her opinions about why UNSW is the best university to choose after ‘A’ levels by introducing various aspects about the university’s curriculum, its rankings, safety, location, etc.. She caught the attention of the students immediately as she mentioned a few facts about UNSW such as they are currently the 45th best university in the world; and not only that but also provided some guidance to the students about how to make intelligent career choices.

A very elaborate PowerPoint presentation was shown to the students followed by Q and A session.

To start with, the staff interacted with the student and elicited their responses about various prospective careers students want to pursue. The session was kept lively and

highly informative with small talks between the UNSW representatives and the students.

They gave a brochure to all the people present for the session.

In conclusion the students found it very worthwhile and useful so they thank the school for putting forward such interactions for them.

-Aastha Sheth, AS Level

MISA ESTHETICS

MISA Esthetics is one of the competitions held by MISA (Members of International Schools Association). A plethora of international schools from all over Maharashtra including our school had participated in this competitive event. We were the host for the event. All the members of the staff and the council body were present to ensure a glitch free event.

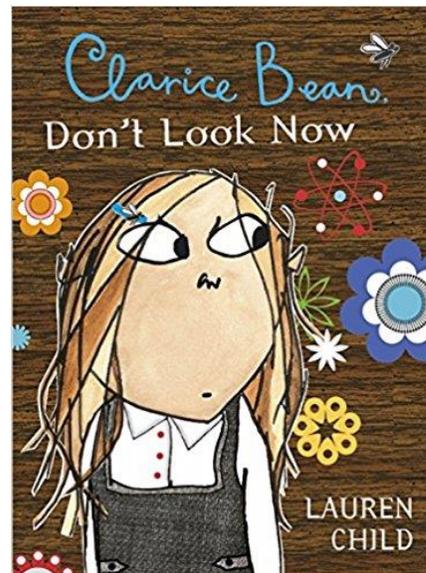
We began the event with an opening ceremony in which the special guests and our most respected Principal Mrs. Lalitha Rajgopal opened the grand event by lighting the ceremonious candles. Then all the students were allocated different rooms according to their competitions. After the competitions was the prize distribution and fortunately there were lots of happy faces going back home!

The competition was categorized into different groups based on the grades. There were dance competitions, Sing Offs, cake decoration, and many more. We all enjoyed watching the participants perform in their amazing costumes! The theme for the event was 'Wild Life', which was the reason everyone gave a learning message through their performances about saving forests and animals.

TIS – CIE also bagged a couple of prizes. We won the Third prize in Group dance and Second prize in Debate Competition.

Overall, MISA Esthetics was a really competitive and encouraging stage where lots of students were able to showcase their talents.

-Jayani Bhatt, Grade 9



THE BOOK REVIEW

Clarice Bean - Don't Look Now

This is the story of a clumsy British girl in a family of six -the third oldest with an annoying younger brother, Minal Cricket. She has a very strict, 'dreary' teacher, Her name is Mrs. Wilberton. Oh yes! She loves spending time with her best friend, Betty Moody. They both love the Ruby Redfort series of books and shows. The author of the famous show 'Charlie and Lola', Lauren Child, presents you Clarice Bean. The book '*Utterly Me*' introduces herself to her topsy-turvy life, the second book '*Clarice Bean Spells Trouble*' talks about preparation for a spelling quiz and her experience at a drama class. But here comes a twist, 'Don't Look Now'. In '*Don't Look Now*', her house is being renovated and her best friend, Betty Moody, had to shift to the USA. In this, Clarice feels isolated but soon enough a new girl from Scandinavia comes to her school, her name is Clem Hansson. She's from Sweden and everybody wants to be her friend.

Before Betty left, Clarice was acting in a Ruby Redfort Movie. She desperately wanted to act with Betty, but, she feels happy at the same time for acting with her favourite actress, Skyler Summer. What will she do? Will she be able to see her best friend again? This storybook, and the other two Clarice Bean storybooks, belong to the realistic fiction category. This contains a lot of humour. I love this book, I love everything about it.

-Gayathri, Grade 7

VISIT BY MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

“It is not about changing the world, it’s about impacting students, equipping educational communities and empowering them to make a difference in their own world”

- Mark McCrindle

TIS CIE has had the pleasure to have Ms. Apoorva Dhingra – Admissions Councillor at the Michigan State University to have a discussion with our students. She shared the opportunities offered by the university. Founded in 1855, and ranked among the top 100 research universities in the world, the Michigan State University is a large public university offering more than 200 undergraduate and graduate programs of study. It has a beautiful park like campus with more than 7000 students. They do offer scholarship and campus resources to assist the international students.



TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

Mr. Ronan Hodson, Regional **Officer** for India and South Asia visited our school to give admission information and details about the University.

ISA CULMINATION BY GRADES 1 AND 2

The ISA Culminating activity was held on 13 th October 2017 . It was a major event that offered a miscellany of cultural performances, showcasing India and China’s culture, tradition and festivals. The activity was performed by Grades1&2, it commenced with a welcome song sung, followed by remarkable dance performances that encompassed various styles of India and China. The beautiful rendition of the Kashmiri, Gujrati, Marathi, and bharatnatyam dance in traditional attire was absolutely spellbinding. The traditional Chinese fan dance performance by the children was captivating. The Sep-Oct 2017

colourful fans highlighted the graceful movements of the dancers and let out the true essence of China. The happiness of the children was amply evident with applause and appreciation. The creative experience was kept alive by the astounding performance of performing arts like Mallkhamb, Kungfu and Taichi. It was good to observe young children narrating scripts with perfect articulation in the Chinese drama. The colourful activities carefully made by the children were artistically displayed on the walls. It was a spectacular exhibit of talent and practice.

The hallmark of the ISA culminating activity was the video conferencing session, conducted by Thakur International, with the Chinese children of Day spring school Singapore. The children of both the schools interacted with each other, which broadened the horizons of understanding the two different cultures of India and China. It gave the students a glimpse into the Chinese culture, values, tradition and festivals. The programme concluded with a beautiful thank you song in Mandarin and a creative pot painting activity by the parents that carried a true feeling of happiness and achievement.





OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

Even as Cambridge University is known for its courses, and resources, the competitive brand Oxford UK has lots of resources and training programmes to offer. Ms. **Lavinia Serra Porritt** visited our school to share with us the details of their professional development courses.

We shall be enrolling our teachers for the best of the PD sessions in the nearest future.

