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**CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS (CIE)
TOPPERS 2017**

Int. General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE)



ANJALI NAIR
10 A*, 1 A



APARNA NAIR
10 A*



SRADDHA SABU
9 A*



ZENYA SIYAD
7 A*, 3 A



DIVA HONEY
6 A*, 4 A

Advanced Subsidiary (AS)



MANASI JANARDAN
4 A



NEENU SANTHOSH
3 A



ZAFAR MUSALIAR
3 A

Advanced Levels (A Levels)



KOSHY GEORGE
3 A*, 1 A



ROHAN MATHEW
3 A, 2 B

IN THIS EDITION

The Maldivian Exchange

Cre8

Spectra

PYP Carnival

Visit to the Rajeev Gandhi Institution of Biotechnology

Guest Visits from—Chandu G Nair, Khurunissa A and Dr. Rekha and Mr Sanjay Zachariah from the Gokulam Medical College.

The Maldivian Exchange Programme



Trins warmly welcomed 10 students and 2 teachers from Ahmadiyya International School, Maldives, this month with music, dance and love. Their week long stay came to a culmination on the 28th of July, with a special farewell assembly. The week was filled with activities- Sports, visits to Technopark, Coir factory, Shantigiri Ashram, and of course the evenings with the host families. The Trins students will be visiting Maldives later this year.

“ A mind that is stretched by new experiences can never go back to its old dimensions. ”

- Oliver Wendell Holmes



Cre8 2K17

L'école Chempaka International





OVERALL CHAMPIONS Cre8 2017

The students who represented the school bagged the overall winner's position at L'ecole Chempaka's cultural festival on the 15th of July. The students won prizes for the following events:

- Lord Cre8 — Sabari Manoj (Left)
- Lady Cre8 — Manasi Janardan (Left)
- Encore (Band) — 1st Place
- Palette Play (Painting) — 1st Place
- Gallery Awards (Art Exhibition) — 1st Position
- Project Runway (Fashion Show) — 3rd Place
- Viewpoint (Photography) — 1st Place (Thashnika and Anooj)



Guest Speakers



The students of Grade 4 had an interaction with Dr Sanjay Zachariah from Gokulam Medical College on 12th July, 2017. The session was focused on on sense organs and their functioning.



Dr. Rekha and
Dr. Sanjay

Gokulam Medical
College

As a part of their theme on Body Systems, the students of Grade 5 had an interaction with Dr Rekha, Paediatrician from Gokulam Medical College on 20th July, 2017. The doctor spoke about choices to lead a healthy life-style and concerns regarding adolescence.





KHYRUNISSA. A
Author of the
Butterfinger Series



On Monday 7th, August 2017, the students of middle school had a session with Ms. Khyrunissa. She is the well known author of the "Butterfinger" series.

"Butterfingers" is an amusing story about a clumsy yet adorable school-boy. Ms Khyrunissa read extracts from her books and narrated the plot of some of the novels. She was a fluent speaker and easily gained our rapt attention. Then we had a fruitful question-answer session and Ms. Khyrunissa patiently answered all our queries. The session came to an end with a vote of thanks from the student body. Later Ms. Khyrunissa signed our books. It was an enriching experience for all of us.

SIDDHARTH GOPALAKRISHNAN 6B



CHANDU G NAIR
Actor, Theatre artist.

On the 13th of July, Grades 9 and 10 had an interactive session with one of our former English teachers, theatre artist and actor, Mr.Chandu G Nair. It was a workshop on theatre and plays.

I liked how Mr.Chandu was very expressive with his words and his insight on the masks we all wear and connected them to theatre masks. I liked the situations he gave us, even the basic ones, like the caveman/ woman acts. He made them examples for the fundamental principles of life. He also spoke about the history of drama and also Shakespearean style of writing.

He was very humourous and I found the session more interesting than I expected it to be. I look forward to more theatre sessions with him.

NINARIKA DASH 9IG



Field Trips



LAURIE BAKER CENTRE OF HABITAT



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As a part of the ongoing theme, the students of grade 1 visited the Laurie Baker Centre of Habitat, Vilappilsala, on 7th July. The objective of this trip is to get first-hand information on the different types of houses built and we can help the environment by using environment friendly materials while constructing buildings.



RAJIV GANDHI INSTITUTE OF BIOTECHNOLOGY



On the 29th of July, the 9th and 10th ICSE students visited the Rajeev Gandhi Institution of Biotechnology. We were accompanied by our teachers, Miss Prathiba and Mr. Pillai. We spent nearly four and a half hours interacting with scientists, researchers and doctors about their work and accomplishments in the field of molecular biology.

We spent time in four different labs with the doctors in charge. They were very generous with their time and explanations and answered all our questions. We learned about DNA and the modification of it to enhance or silence certain qualities and how we could solve and create many problems by just doing so. We also learned the significant role that DNA plays in the lives of all living things as it is basically "the code of life".

It was a difficult task for the scientists to explain all the complicated terms and theories to us but despite it all they were able to give us an overview of everything effectively. We learned a lot and enjoyed ourselves at the same time.

The last person we spoke to was Dr. Sreekumar who was in charge of the Molecular Virology Laboratory. He talked to us about a very pressing situation we face today. Trivandrum is not only the capital of Kerala but recently it has also become the Dengi Capital. Dengi is a life threatening disease spread by mosquitoes and at present the only way to suppress the outbreak is by controlling their breeding. This is something small we can all do to make a difference. So please make sure that there are no stagnant or pooled collections of water convenient for mosquitoes to breed in.

We thank the school for giving us such an amazing experience and we hope to visit the Institution once again. We really enjoyed the trip and it inspired us to dream big, even at a cellular level.

RINA PONNIAH, 10 ICSE

MAKING MY HOME!



The students of Grade 1 had hands on experience making models of different types of houses using mud, grass, sand and other natural resources. The objective of the activity was to allow the students to express their understand of different types of houses.

PYP CARNIVAL



Leadership is doing and working in teams; The Grade 5 student council members initiated a project to organise a carnival for PYP students. They invited parents to help them out. Games and food stalls were planned. There were three committees working parallel – organisers, food and games. 13 grade 5 parents helped the students in different stalls. A few parents brought home cooked food too.

It was very nice to see the grade 5 students being so responsible in their duties and took the entire process very seriously. The entire show went off smoothly because of the students planning and their teachers support.

There were two objectives for organising this event; The welcome the new students to the PYP family and two; to donate the profit to a charitable cause – buying adult diapers for the government hospital.

Well done students for showing such leadership skills at this young age.



SPECTRA



Spectra is an inter-school cultural festival that is organized and run by the students of grades 11 and 12. For the first time in the last four years we were given the opportunity to reinstate Spectra to all its former glory and carry out the challenging task of planning this spectacular event.

This year Spectra was hosted on August 5th and it was attended by 9 schools from all over Trivandrum and Kollam with over 300 students participating and spectating the events. We were honoured to have Mr K.S.Sabarinathan, MLA and his wife Mrs Divya S Iyer, sub-collector of Trivandrum, with us to inaugurate the ceremony. Their motivating speeches during the opening ceremony were an inspiration to us all.

After the opening ceremony we kicked off our events with the band competition Chaotic Mantra.

Following which we were humoured by the skit event Mask Off and dazzled by our dance events. We also witnessed the intense showdown between the six final contestants of the personality event (Impulse) who were competing for the Señor and Señorita spectra titles. At the same time quiz teams from all the schools baffled it out in Quiriosity and there was a frantic hunt to solve the murder mystery Enigma X.

Finally we came to the closing ceremony which was duly entertained by our distinguished music judges as well as one of our very own alumni. After all the hours of eager waiting Loyola emerged victorious winning four of the seven events.

All in all it was a memorable day and we hope the joys of spectra will be continued throughout the years.

As we spectrites say: The vortex of time may consume most but the fire of the phoenix burns on.

Manasi janardan 12 A levels





Thashnika Hettiarachchi ©



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