Kaleidoscope of a teacher!!!
For years, the secrets to great teaching have seemed more like an alchemy than science, a mix of motivational mumbo jumbo and misty-eyed tales of inspiration and dedication. But for more than a decade its only an individual who can make teaching learning effective, its only a teacher as an individual who make a lesson interesting although she has been teaching the same old concepts, stories, theorems over the years.

Aathamanastu kamayath
........... I do not know myself, in fact I do not know anything, these are the words with which the Great Greek Philosopher, Socrates started his quest of knowledge. When we know we do not know, we begin to know ourselves, this is what should be the base of a teacher, always willing to learn from the students, as students teach us a lot of topics unknowingly.

WE BELIEVE......Teaching style is one of the most important factors to evaluate a good teacher. Obviously, the main purpose of being a teacher is to impart knowledge and TENT teachers, who have a vast expanse of knowledge.

to each educator has his/her own teaching style, it is not just about knowledge传授, but building aspirations into information for students to consume. It is also about making learning entertaining and an interactive experience for all the class.

OUR CONVICTIO... Having thoughts of teaching and learning as a strong conviction made us improve our competency of teaching fresh minds. Students are active volcanoes with two vents – Creative and Destructive; to seal the destructive vent, the teacher should create a plug consisting of engagements, exploration and experimentation, and we teachers have achieved this level to a large extent which reflects in our students when they climb the ladder of success.

WE TRUST........ Even when the society looks upon our profession as a meagre salary profession, we have kept our values intact and insisted that this profession is not an experiment but a trust in our values and culture of Guru Shishya. With every passing year, the school and teachers progress, we elevate from just being a teacher to COMPE-

I AM PROUD TO BE A TEACHER!!!!!!!!!
SATVANT PALEKAR
International Projects Head, HOD Chemistry
British Council School Ambassador

Editors
BBC Team of students Guided By
Ms. Sangeeta Mandhyan
Ms. Bhagyashree Saptaputre
Ms. Alpa Bhandari
City Prep School

Pre primary follows an integrated method of teaching and learning. It offers innovative features aimed at overall development of students. The natural curiosity of the students is encouraged by providing them with real life experiences.

A PUPPET SHOW: To develop imaginative & creative skills among the students, a puppet show was held in school premises for pre primary students. Concept of birds, pet and wild animals were introduced to the students by narrating stories.

SPORTS DAY was held in the school ground. Students took part in march past, drill and variety races enthusiastically. It is always an event of happy interaction among student and friends. It was followed by a Christmas Party.

PICNIC: The pre - primary students went for picnic to Rajesh Khanna garden. They played with their friends and enjoyed nature walk. It was a fun filled and exciting picnic.

MAKAR SANKRANTI Festival was celebrated by flying kites. Students were explained the significance of this harvesting festival.

Tiny tots in action

Modes of transport:
Various modes of transport was introduced to the students. They were asked to bring any one model of transport which was displayed all around the class.

TO INculcate PATRIOTISM AMong STUDENT'S:
Republic Day was celebrated. The students came dressed in tricolor outfits which inculcated the the spirit of nationalism in them. They sang National Anthem followed by activities.

COMMUNITY HELPERS: To imbibe a spirit of dignity of labour students were introduced to important people of our society, that is teacher, doctor, policeman, fire man, cobbler, tailor etc. and they were advised to give respect and importance to these people belonging to the society.

I am...
**Space Travel**

It was a bright sunny day. I woke up early that morning because I had lots of chores to do. Even during holidays I wake up early as I love the fresh air and the chirping of birds. I did not have a habit of reading newspapers but that one day I really wanted to read one. The headlines stated a woman who was more than fifty years old going to space and returning back safely. I was astonished on reading that. That lady inspired me so much that I wanted to go to space myself. The newspaper article also said that the old woman was immensely determined on going to space as during her time there were no space shuttles devices that could take human race to space.

From that moment, it was my lifelong dream and goal to become an astronaut myself and travel to space. People say that space travel is no laughing matter and I absolutely agree to it. The astronauts who stand tall today have gone through loads of hardships in life. I really am inspired by the people who have gone to space. Their hard work is really appreciated and respected. Since I read that newspaper article I never stopped researching on space travel. The reason why people are now able to go to space is because curiosity leads them to do so. Humans always had the urge and determination to go to space as it was a mystery to them. The mystery to space will never end as it is full of secrets and will always be. But the great human mind can turn the impossible into possible and so yet again we humans have unleashed the possibilities on going to space.

Sometimes when I research about the work done by people to beware of astronauts I start feeling defeated as the training is very hard and many people today have lost their dreams on becoming astronauts. Then in my mind I remember that article from the paper and all my courage and determination comes back to me. I will always have one aim and one aim only in life and that is to become an astronaut and travel to space and reveal all the mysteries it hides.

Nabina Siddiquee
VI-D

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**Patriotic Poem**

Today my dear fellowmen,
You will learn about some men,
Who are for their country,
More than someone who bought them victory,
For when their nation was in danger,
Their blood boiled in anger,
Without caring for their personal life,
They left their parents, children and wife,
And off they went like real heroes,
To make the enemy feel like zeroes,
These men had muscles like iron,
And the hearts of a lion,
When the enemy faced these men,
The enemy didn’t know where to go then,
For one of these men,
Was enough for the enemies then,
The enemy then ran away like rats,
Like rats run after seeing the cats,
Thus these men saved the country,
Giving it a proud victory.
The heroes of the story,
Work for the world’s best military,
These are the great and ever victories
Our proud Indian Armed Forces!!!

DAISY KHATRI
STD-4 DIV-A
A Poem About Leadership

Leadership is ...
Leadership is not about speed,
Ideas, efficiency or power ...
It is about knowing your
Own limitations and
Celebrating the gifts of others,
It is growing in wisdom,
Understanding the number of our days,
And seeking to understand rather than be under-
stood.
It is caring for people,
Always hoping for,
And expecting the best.
It is being brave enough
To be vulnerable in front of oth-
ers.
It is seeing the big picture of
Where things are, and building
A road to the future with limited casualties.
It is helping each person to
Sing their song from the heart,
And leading the band in praise to their maker.

By Dan Beerens.

A tribute to Bal Thackeray

Bal Keshav Thackeray was an Indian politician
who founded Shiv Sena. He was born on 23rd
January 1926 in Pune. Thackeray began his
professional career as a cartoonist with ‘The
Free Press Journal’ in Mumbai but left in 1960
to form his own political weekly Marmik.
His political philosophy was largely shaped by
father,
Keshav Sitaram Thackeray who was a part of
the ‘United Maharashtra Movement’. Through
Marmik, he campaigned against the growing in-
fluence of Gujaratis, Marwaris and South Indi-
ans in Mumbai in 1960. Thackeray formed the
Shiv Sena party to advocate more strongly the
place of Maharashtrians in Mumbai’s political
and professional landscape.
Thackeray designed the tiger logo for Shiv
Sena, chosen because Shivaji was a devotee of
goddess Bhavani, whose mascot was the tiger.
The BJP – Shiv Sena alliance won and came to
power.
Thackeray was married to Meena and had three
sons namely Bindumadhav, Jaidev and Uddhav.
His wife and son Bindumadhav passed away
in 1996.
Thackeray passed away on 17th November 2012
and funeral was held at Shivaji Park, at the same
location where Thackeray had held many politi-
cal rallies, more than 20 lakh mourners attended
the funeral procession. The funeral included
state honours such as guard of honour and 21
guns salute. His funeral ceremony was broad-
cast live across all national T.V. channels.
A unique leader, Bal Thackeray was an epitome
of courage and bravery. It is rare to see a leader
who has been admired and respected by many.
He has left his mark on Mumbai and Maharash-
tra and will be missed by many.
BBC Reporter,
P. Vishnupriya

Essay On My Mother:
My mother is an affectionate and pious lady. She
loves me very much, I love her, too. She takes care of
all of us. She gets up early in the morning, makes our
breakfast, lunch and dinner with her own hands. She
looks after the cleanliness of the house and furniture,
and also our clothes and health.

When I fall sick, my mother passes sleepless nights by
the side of my sick bed. Her anxiety and her fear dis-
appear after my recovery from illness. In my eyes,
she is really an ideal mother.

My mother has taught me the importance of disci-
pline, good manners, honesty, sense of duty and rever-
ence towards the elders in life. She also taught me to
defend and help the poor and the weak, and lodge a
protest against injustice.

When I was just a child, my mother used to tell me
many oriental and mythological tales. When I grew
up a little, she taught me how to read and write. Even
to this day, she helps me to prepare my homework
given by my class teacher.

In every matter of my life, I depend on my mother’s
help and guidance. Her blessings are always with me.
देशभक्ति

घर आंधकार हो,
चल रही बयार हो,
आज द्वार - द्वार पर यह दीया बुझे नहीं
यह निशील का दीया ला रहा विहार है।
शकित को दिया हुआ,
शकित को दिया हुआ,
यह स्वतंत्रता - दीया,
रुक रही न नाव हो,
जोर का बहाव हो,
आज जोर - धार पर यह दीया बुझे नहीं,
यह स्वदेश का दीया प्राण के समान है।

यह अतीत कल्पना,
यह विदी धारिका,
यह पुनिन भावना,
यह अन्त शांता,
शांति हो, अशांति हो,
युद्ध, सहित, क्रिति हो,
तीर पर, कब्ज़ा पर, यह दीया बुझे नहीं,
देश पर, समाज पर, ज्योति का विलाम है।

तीन - चार पूरा है,
आस - पास धुल है,
बाँस है - बबूल है,
पास के दुकूल है,
वातु भी हिलोर दे,
पूंक दे, चकर दे,
कब्र पर मज़ार पर, यह दीया बुझे नहीं,
यह किसी शहीद का पुण्य - प्राण दान है।

झूंम - झूंम बदलियाँ,
चूम - चूम बिजलियाँ,
हलवालें मवा रहीं,
लड़ रहा स्वदेश हो,
यातना विशेष हो,
शुद्ध जीत - हार पर, यह दीया बुझे नहीं,
यह स्वदेश भावना का स्वतंत्र जान है।

स्वतन्त्रता जेना 8वीं ब

बेकारी एक समस्या है...

भारत में बेकारी आज भी एक समस्या बनी हुई है। बेकारी सिर्फ़ प्रशासनिक ही नहीं समाजिक समस्या भी है। बेकारी के कारण देश के उन्नति रुक जाती है। हमें अपने हुजूर का अच्छा उपयोग करना चाहिए। प्रत्येक ब्यक्ति में एक अच्छा गुण होता है, हमें उसे अपने जीवन में निजीरण करना चाहिए। हमारे हुजूर का सही उपयोग ही हमें अपनी बेकारी मिटाने में मदद करेगा देश का होनहारजनकों की आवश्यकता है तभी देश की तरंगी वायुत्सक है।

बच्चे

बच्चे मन के सच्चे, चालाक का बंधार है
इनकी शरारतों के आंग सभी मानते हार है।

बच्चे कुछ सीधे साधे, कुछ आफत के परकले प्यार इनसे करे सभी, कोई इनसे पंजा ना ले।

बच्चे की सुरक्षा है बीती, तोतली इनकी बोली है
पर बच्चे के जीवन में सुंदर दुख की आंख मिलेगी है।

बातें सारे जहाँं की ये झट से जान जाते हैं
पल भर में छुट्टे और पल भर में मान जाते हैं।

बच्चें हैं, भविष्य देश का बनाने इनके दिन देश के जेना
साहसी, मेहनती, चतुर, देशभक्त इनमें से ही कोई बनता।

बालकों व अन्य की इन्हें बचाना है
बच्चों को शिक्षा देकर हमें देश को शिक्षित बनाना है।

संगीता पांडे - हिंदी शिक्षिका
Students in Action...

Assembly is an integral part of CIS where motivational speeches are given, morals values are taught to the students. Mr. Happy in CIS was one such assembly to imbibe discipline & hygiene among the students through The Teddy, “Mr. Happy”. Another assembly that is worth mentioning is the farewell of students of Std IV by students of Std III to bid adieu to their seniors & wishing them the best of luck for the secondary section.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Festivals in India are celebrated with great pomp and splendor. Every festival carries a lot of meaning and conveys a beautiful message. To make the students aware about the festival and its significance an assembly was conducted wherein they had prepared speeches, hymns, plays, etc. under the guidance of the teachers. To keep the spirit of Christmas alive competitions like Cap and Eye-Mask making were organized.

Merry Christmas

Dance Competition

An Inter-house dance competition was organized for the students of class IV & VI to tap their potential and develop competitive spirit in the students. The students had choreographed the dances, decided the costumes and props themselves under the supervision of the teachers. The judges judged the competition on the basis of costume, co-ordination, expression, energy and props. It was thoroughly enjoyed by one and all.

BBC Reporter - Uttara Das – VI B

Tap your feet!

The word picnic means fun, playing etc. Last Friday we went to the Royal Garden Resort. My friends and I were very excited. We could hardly sleep the night before. Early morning, the next day, we assembled in our prayer hall sharp at 8.00 am. On our way to Royal Garden Resort, we played many games.

As we reached the venue, we saw the entrance beautifully decorated with red and white flowers which increased our excitement. We were served a welcome drink along with a garland of flowers. The resort was surrounded by coconut trees and flora and fauna. After a delicious breakfast we put on our swimwear and jumped into the pool. The water had a number of rides like the rocket cyclone, rainbow and the most exciting ride – the tree climber. I liked this ride the best as it went very high and threw us in the pool with great speed.

When we left the resort in the evening each one of us was given a souvenir by the friendly resort staff. Everyone almost fell asleep on their way back home in the bus.

Our parents were eagerly waiting for us at school. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and look forward to our next class picnic.

By Firishtah B

Visit to IIT Techfest

Techno Fest was organized at an international level at IIT Powai. Students of Std VIII & IX were taken to view the exhibition to understand the advancement in the field of technology. It was quite an enriching experiment for students.
An inside into Russian Language

Students of standard seventh have been privileged to get an opportunity to learn a foreign language supported by the Russian consulate, taught by Doctor Suniti Deshpande. Classes are held in school premises every Wednesday. To see the progress and encourage our students visited our school on 14 January 2013. We students were enthralled to meet the delegates and welcomed them by singing a heartwarming welcome song. Delegates appreciated us and praised our dedication towards the class and gave an inspiring speech.

BBC reporter
Ishwari

INTERVIEW

Ishwari: Good Morning sir! We are BBC reporters. I am Ishwari Dewoolkar and this is my friend Shaima Shaikh and we are here to take an interview.

Shaima: What do you think about the partnership that our school has had with your school?

Sir: It was very interesting to know that there are people in Mumbai who are interested in learning Russian language as it is not easy to interpret.

Ishwari: Sir do you know Hindi?

Shaima: If not, would you like to learn it?

Sir: I know very few words but I don’t know whether they are right or wrong and I would not like to learn it now as I think it is too late!

Ishwari: What do you like most about our school?

Sir: Everything is nice and I loved the song sung by our students as it was very musical

Ishwari: Thank you very much sir for sharing your views and opinion with us!

Shaima: Hope to see you again soon!
On 29 November, 2012 Russian delegates were welcomed to our school along with a few Russian students who were dressed in their traditional attire. They were here to inaugurate the Russian language classes. Our seventh standard students are a privileged lot to be the first to be taught Russian in our school. Meemansa, Rachel and I received an opportunity to interview Doctor Suniti Deshpande, Miss Alina B, Novikova, Mister Alexander M., Kakadin along with Maulik Dixit sir and Wagh sir.

The following questions were asked.

Student- Which is the first language in Russia?
Delegate- The Russian is the spoken language of Russia.

Student- Do you have any second language?
Delegate- The second language spoken in Russia is English.

Student- Is Russian language an easy language to comprehend?
Delegate- Russian language is very easy to comprehend if we learn it by heart.

Student- Do the students in your school learn any foreign languages?
Delegate- The students learn English and French as foreign language and hope we include Hindi as well.

Student- Will we receive scholarships or certificates if we take up the Russian course?
Delegate- This is currently being discussed but you will definitely get a certificate.

Student- How often will the classes be conducted?
Delegate- The classes will be conducted thrice a week.

We students of standard fifth too our desperately waiting to learn the Russian language.
Thankyou

BBC Reporter
Meemansa
Rachel
Yashvi

Std-V
Samarpan, the street school adopted by us, was given five white boards along with stands on February 6, 2013. The children were excited and with great fervor wrote on the boards. The co-coordinator of the school, Ms. Jaya Malkani, was very thankful for the gift, as it helped them in imparting education in an effective way.

Our venture of taking two school children to teach the children at Samarpan has paid off well. The children are warm and receptive towards the school children who have taught them various subjects like Mathematics, English alphabets, typing on the laptop and computers. We have continued the practice of supplying boiled eggs to the children, once a week for their nutrition.

Christmas Carnival

Under the club, Charity Fest, Christmas Carnival was organized with an aim to collect resources with an aim to raise funds. Students under the guidance of the teachers prepared for a Nativity play and performed it. Our Director Wagh Sir, Principal Ma’am, teachers, and all the students were there to grace the event. After the play, food stalls were put up by the students of standard VI along with active participation of the PTA members who took an initiative to prepare mouth watering food. Students of standard VII put up games stalls with interesting games. It was a fun filled event. All the students enjoyed to their hearts content. Money collected was used for charity.

BBC Reporter:

FOOD FEST

The Charity club organized a Food Fest wherein students of (class IV) took over the running of the canteen. All the students were excited as they brought home made food and each one was given the duty to serve. The sale proceeds were used for charity purpose.

VISIT TO NGO

The students of class IV visited St. Catherine’s Home an NGO at Veena Desai Road. The aim of this visit was to give the students the knowledge about an orphanage and make them realize how lucky they are to have parents who fulfill all their requests and wishes.
I'm looking forward to a Special Day. You have guessed it right—its Sports Day! I love to take part in all the events. While parents watch us sitting under tents.

Don't worry about the running race. Just take off like a rocket in space. Keep on running fast, fast, fast.

How does it matter if you even come last.

And if you have to skip or hop, be sure to go on. Just don't stop.

Enjoy yourself and have lots of fun.

Don't get scared of the starting gun.

Make the most of every race.

Be sure to have a smile on your face.

Because anyone who thinks that sports are fun is a winner and has already won.
**YGCC INITIATORS**

Efforts of Green School Movement

**RELIANCE YOUNG ENERGY SAVERS**

India is growing at a rapid pace with infrastructure developments growing multi-fold, industries expanding and newer commercial hubs are getting established. With this fast pace development, power consumption is also increasing rapidly in addition to which the Earth is getting hotter and hotter. Through the Young Energy Savers (YES), Reliance is sensitizing future generations towards the cause of energy conservation and aims to inculcate energy saving habits in children. On 21st November 2012, people from the “Reliance YES Initiative” came to our school to interact with us and to help us conserve energy for the betterment of our planet. At first, all of us received goody bags filled with many interesting things. After we all settled down, a very funny yet informative skit about Nothuram and Yesuram was lined up for us in which we got tips to conserve electricity and use it wisely. We all sang the YES jingle together. We were even asked questions about Global Warming. In the end we all were told about the Run To Save Marathon in which we will all run for one cause, that is to save electricity and The Run To Give Challenge in school in the given treadmill will contribute towards getting solar power lamps for the lesser privileged tribal schools in the remote areas of Maharashtra.

So let’s all join up to save our planet from Global Warming by conserving energy!!!

—BBC REPORTER

VARSHA SHANKAR-VII-B

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**Proud To Be a Member of GSM**

Our school City International has four clubs. They are: Green School, Charity fest, BBC and Traffic Patrolling. I am in the Green school club. The Green school deals with keeping the school clean and environment friendly. To do this we save electricity, avoid the usage of plastic bags and grow plants around the school to clean the air. There are three levels. The highest are the Initiators, then the ‘ambassadors’ and then the ‘Squads’. I have been given the responsibility of an initiator as well as a squad. As a squad and an initiator I make sure that the students follow the rules of the green school club. I stop them from bringing plastic bags to school and save electricity by switching off the lights, fans and ACs before we leave the class at any point of time. Only few students are given this opportunity. Our world is facing environment problems like pollution. Clubs like Green school helps in making children conscious about the environment problems caused due to pollution. This club has made me aware of my duties as a good citizen and I try to keep not only my school clean but also all other places clean and environment friendly. Our club is the most popular club amongst all. I am proud to be a ‘Green School’ member. Green School Movement Initiator & Squad

Taronish Vapiwala-VI A

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**Tips to Create a Green World**

- Wake up! Before it’s too late! Follow these tips to create a green world and do your bit.
- More & more countries should go back to “horse carriage” age & rely less on fuel for transport like the modern day frame.
- Rely on the renewable resources of nature such as the solar pane & corn waste to generate fuel.
- Find out ways to harness the super power source – sun for energy.
- Use ACs on economy mode and time it to use energy efficiently.
- Do not stuff the refrigerator & use it wisely not at home.
- Save ACs & computers wisely, not for playing games & members unimportant meetings groups.

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- Green School Movement has contributed to save energy by switching off the ACs regularly on scheduled timings.
- They have almost been successful in making our school “A No Plastic Zone”
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**Election week**

Election has been an integral part of our school. From 17th to 21st January was the election week. The nominees of the houses were asked to plan their campaigning strategies and each house was given one day to hold the campaigns for their respective candidates. During recess each day, students were seen holding their posters and marching across the hallway, asking everyone to vote for them. We elected the deserving candidates on 23rd January. On 26th January, the results of the elections were announced.

Ameya Basrur—VIII A

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**Investiture ceremony**

The investiture ceremony was held on 26th January 2013 along with the Republic Day celebrations. The ex-captains and vice-captains handed over their sashes and badges to the new vice-captains and captains along with other responsibilities and duties. The names of vice-captains and captains were announced house-wise. Wagh sir and Principal ma'am congratulated all the new members off the student council and gave away the badges to the new council members. After the badges were given, the council members took an oath to perform their duty in the best possible way. All the teachers congratulated the new members who were elected for the academic year 2013-2014. We are all proud to have been able to elect the responsible and dedicated council members. We have all the hopes that they would help to improve and bring in positive changes in our school.

BBC Reporter
Janki Chauhan—VIII B

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**Formation of Political Parties**

Students of IX grade were asked to form their own political parties as part of their history internals. Presentation were carried out in class which included the vision of these parties. All students participated with enthusiasm. It was an excellent platform for students to work as a team and nurture leadership.

Nada Yusuf IX

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**RUSSIAN EXHIBITION**

The bilateral relations between The Republic of India and The Russian Federation has resulted Russia to inherit a close relationship with India. Both the countries have collaborated on several matters so much so that even schools in India have started focusing on creating awareness on Russian language. City International school stands proud today to accomplish the same. Our school has been involving its students in various activities where the students have been gaining knowledge about the culture, of Russia. One such event was the Russian Exhibition held by the seventh standards. On the 15th of February, 2013. The grand preparations of this event began. Everyone was making something different. We made models, scrapbooks, charts, brochures, etc. Some of them even made power point presentations. At last came the final day. The main event was held on 20th February, 2013. We dressed up like Indians and Russians. We all displayed our projects neatly in our classes and invited all the teachers to come and view all the wonderful masterpieces made by us. They appreciated our work. Principal Ma’am also visited our class and motivated us with her wise comment. This was one of the most memorable days for all of us.

-BBC REPORTER:
VARSHA SHANKAR, VII-B
History Comes Alive in CIS

History is considered a drab & boring subject but we prove this tag wrong in CIS by conducting many interesting activities to make learning fun.

CISMUN

HMUN left a mark on our minds which inspired our teachers to hold MUN in our school. After a lot hard work and planning the inauguration of City International School’s very first CISMUN was held on the 23rd November, 2013. Our chief guests were Principal Ma’am and respected Director, Wagh Sir. Excitement was written all over the students’ faces. Students of VIII, IX & X were a part of CISMUN.

Conference sessions were held on 26th and 27th November 2012. The students who were participating in this event were divided into four groups or committees. They were UNESCO, SOCHUM, HRC, and WHO. All students played the role of delegates from their respective countries, and had to talk on the topic that was given to the committee. Each committee had a Chair and a Co-chair that headed it, and the Secretary General was the supreme authority.

The topics were related to international issues prevailing in the world. All students were dressed formally as the delegates of their country and debated over the topics. There was a certain procedure that was followed in the session. Several motions had to be raised in order to go on with the discussion, such as the General Speaking List, Moderated Caucus, Unmoderated Caucus, etc. It consisted of formal debates, informal discussions, Q&A session, framing working papers, resolutions, etc.

Everybody felt like a real delegate and enjoyed the experience. It was not only a wonderful experience but also a learning process for all the students. We were made aware of the issues in the world and had free will to express our views about them.

Global Village was held on 17th December to encourage the students to learn more about the countries which they represented as delegates. Various aspects of those countries were represented through performances, charts, types of food, culture, etc. After the Global village students were awarded with “certificates of best delegates”

Overall it was an amazing experience for all of us, and we took great pride in being a part of it.

With the help of our teachers and active participation of these students, the first CISMUN of our school was a grand success!

BBC Reporter

Mansi Pant IX
**NASA A DREAM PROJECT**

It was a Saturday night, everyone was carrying their luggage and entering the school premises. We took our luggage and got the stickers pasted. We waited impatiently to board the bus. As soon as the bus arrived we all rushed into it and took our seats. We soon reached the airport and when we sat in the flight our backs were numb as we had to undergo many formalities. At last we took the flight from Mumbai to Frankfurt. The journey was never ending. It took us twenty three hours to reach Orlando after changing two flights. As soon as we reached the hotel we crashed into our bed. The next day we went to NASA. We studied “Space Physics” and made robots on first and the second day. On the third day, which was the last day of our visit to NASA, we went on a tour to Kennedy Space Center and experienced the shuttle launch. In the next three days we went to amusement parks. First we went to sea world where we enjoyed the water rides and saw different aquariums. Then the next day we went to Disneyland and had lots of fun. But the best part was Universal Studios. We went on a ride called Hulk. Which was unbelievable! It was great! We went to 4D theaters where we could really feel as if we were with the super heroes. When we left Orlando we were very sad as we did not want to leave such a beautiful place. We went to New York. There we visited Times Square, Madame Tussaud's Museum, Empire State Building, Statue of Liberty and Museum of Natural History. We weren't keen in coming back but we didn’t have any other choice. We still miss USA and want to go back. We think of ourselves as very fortunate students as we got such an opportunity to go abroad with our friends and teachers. We sincerely thank all the teachers for taking good care. We came back home safe and sound.

SHREYAA MOHAN
VII C
James Christensen, Presidential awardee, Veteran science teacher of U.S, chief instructor of Space Trek Program visited our school on 16 February, 2013 to give an insight to the students on new space technology and to enlighten the students with new projects of NASA. As soon as he arrived, he was escorted to the AV Room where Akshay and Simran, students of std IX, showed an interesting power point presentation on their trip to NASA. James Sir briefed us about adventures of being an astronaut, the kind of food they ate and many more interesting facts. Students were curious to know more about NASA. They asked many questions till the thirst of their knowledge was not quenched. We thanked him for enriching our knowledge and sharing his experiences with us.

BBC Reporter—Upasana Shah VIII-B

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**Interview of Mr. James Christensen**

Upasana, Forna-> Good morning Sir! How are you?
James Sir-> Oh! I’m great. Thank You!
Forna-> We would like to be briefed about certain projects that you are involved in.
Upasana-> So, what is the future of Robotics?
James Sir-> The future of Robotics is very bright. We’re already working on a Dextrous robot, which can pick up certain objects by analyzing the environment.
Forna, Upasana-> Sunita Williams has just come back from the International Space Station; have they found anything new in space?
James Sir-> Oh yes! She has. I’ve heard a lot about her. Unfortunately I could not meet her. I do not have many updates on the research or discoveries made by her.
Forna-> How do you train students in U.S in the field of space and science?
James Sir-> We first look into what they actually want to know. Then we help them to understand and have many informative interactive sessions.
Upasana-> So sir, what are your views on joining this school and the inauguration of the space club—‘ANTARIKSH’?
James Sir-> Oh! I feel great to be a part of the space club… It is a wonderful idea and will help the students to learn and understand more about space.
Forna-> Thanks Sir, anyways what is your view and opinion about the school and this club?
James Sir-> Well! I think your school is one of the best schools out of all the schools that I have visited till now. The welcome that I received when I arrived was just great!
Upasana-> What do you think about India? What is the difference between the Indians and the Americans?
James Sir-> I feel that Indians are very co-operative. Back me, back there in America no one really co-operates on the streets. India is only 1/4 the size of America, but still the people here are so friendly. India’s population is also much more than the U.S.A. I love this country. I also love the languages and really wish I could speak Hindi. I am trying to learn to speak it but I cant learn more than two or three words.
Forna-> Thank You so much for sharing your knowledge with us, Sir.

By Upasana Shah & Forna Budhavari VIII-B
City International School has achieved a stellar success of achieving a milestone. Our school has been crowned with two honours recently by the Prestigious British Council. It has won the GSP in one category of sustainable partnership, beyond partnership finding and international school award.

It is indeed a matter of great honour and prestige to be one of the schools in the Western region to achieve this award. Thirty eight other schools in our country have made it for the ISA(International School Award) and GSP (Global School Partnership). The school Director, Mr. Nikhil Wagh, ISA Coordinator, Ms. Satwant Palekar and the Principal, Ms. Maharukh Kadodwala received the award at the Annual British Council Award Ceremony held in Mumbai on the 19th of November 2012. The British Deputy High Commissioner, Mumbai Mr. Peter Beckingham and Mr. Rob Lynes, Director of B.C presented the awards to our School. An initiative of the British Council, the Global School Partnership (GSP) programme is specially designed and executed for promoting partnerships between the schools in the UK, Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. It is acknowledged in the world as a final benchmark to achieve global status and introducing global issues into the lives of young people around the world. City International has been an active participant of these Global ventures and has successfully completed exchange visits of teachers. The exchange visit has contributed towards enriching global education in school thereby helping children become “Global Citizens” of future. Sustaining partnership is a challenge indeed and City International School has overcome this challenge with flying colours.
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