

C.G.S. Newsletter

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June & July 2016

Dear Parents and Students,

June has arrived and we are reflecting on another very successful school year. I am so proud of the progress our students have made and also incredibly grateful for the support that parents have shown - our successful partnership allows CGS to be a great school.

I hope you find time this summer to relax, enjoy and make wonderful memories with your children. This time is precious and we know that vacations will be over sooner than we think. Please continue to work with your kids this summer, read to them, practice counting, encourage good social skills with eye contact and slow and clear speech. Reading during the summer makes a critical difference in your child's success for the next curriculum year. The research is very clear that books read at home should be easy. If your child wants a harder book - read them aloud to him or her. Reading aloud to kids of all ages is a great tradition that builds vocabulary, comprehension and is just plain fun. If your child is not an eager reader, encourage any reading, comics, sports, funny story books or online stories are all valuable exercises.

I take this opportunity to congratulate all the award winners and students of Class Two who will be moving to Middle School, following our Attainment Ceremony. I want to thank the teachers, staff and parents for making this year a success and wish you all a very happy, safe and enjoyable summer.

Ramadan Mubarak and Happy Eid!

Siddiq Pishnamaz.

OUTFITS FOR EID FOR CS STUDENTS

CGS student volunteers helped CGS CS pupils get fitted for a shoe of their choice, as pictured below: Visit the CGS CS Facebook page for details at : www.facebook.com/groups/605832396228038/



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Summer Holidays	6.6-23.7.16
School Offices Shut	17.6.16
Jumatul Bidah	1.7.2016
Eid-ul-Fitr*	6.7.2016
School Offices Open	11.7.2016
Book Days	17-19.7.16
School Commences	24.7.2016

CGS RETROSPECTIVE 2015/2016

Development, Events and Programmes held:

◆ Graduation, Promotion and Attainment ceremonies for graduating classes. Award ceremonies for Upper, Middle and Lower.

◆ CGS Science/IT Fair in October.

◆ ACP on the theme "Traditions in Transition."

◆ National Days honoured, including Ekushey, Victory Day, Independence Day and Bangabundhu Birthday.

◆ Pitha, UN Day and Halloween festivals celebrated.

Professional Development, Training and Seminars.

◆ Orientation programmes for parents and teachers in August.

◆ Training on Time Management in August.

◆ Student workshop on "Light to a Better Future" in August.

◆ Tertiary seminars by representatives of Canadian, US, UK, Malaysian and Australian universities.

◆ Seminar on "Awareness on Tobacco Use & Drugs among students" in September.

◆ Careers seminar for class 7 students in October.

◆ CGS Teachers Convention held in December.

◆ CIE Professional Development Courses for teachers of 'O' and 'A' Levels in Dhaka held in October 2015 & March 2016.

◆ CIE Principals' Forum in Dhaka in March.

Community Service.

◆ 'Outfit for Eid' for Jaago and CGS CS students in July.

◆ CGS supports Alumni cancer project in September.

◆ Students host CGS support staff lunch in September.

◆ Toys & books given to CGS Community School kids in October Exchanges and Conferences.

◆ Gap Student Marcel from Germany at CGS for Fall term.

◆ CGS students and faculty attended 18 Round Square (10) and MUN (8) Conferences in 2015/2016:

1. October 2015: 6 students attended Round Square International Conference at UWCSEA Singapore.

2. October 2015: 11 students attended MUN Conference at Pathways World School, India.

3. November 2015: 7 students attended Ivy League MUN Conference in Delhi, India.

4. November 2015: 4 attended DAISMUN in Mumbai, India.

5. November 2015: 12 students attended Senior RSC at Sarala Birla Academy in Bangalore, India.

6. November 2015: Edu-Leaders conference in Lucknow, India.

7. December 2015: 6 students attended the Young Round Square Conference, British School Mumbai, India.

8. December 2015: 5 students attended the MUN Conference, SUNMUN at Sunbeams School, Dhaka

9. January 2016: 6 students attended the International Young Round Square Conference, The Daly College, India.

10. January 2016: 13 students attended Harvard MUN Conference, Boston, USA.

11. January 2016: 11 students attended Yale-NUS Asia Pacific MUN Conference, Singapore.

12. January 2016: RS AGM at Amman Bacc. School, Jordan.

13. February 2016: 10 students attended Chittagong University MUN Conference, Bangladesh.

14. February 2016: 3 students attended DHAMUN Conference, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

15. February 2016: CGS in-house Round Square Conference.

16. March 2016: RS Board Meeting, Herlufsholm School in Copenhagen, Denmark.

17. April 2016: 6 students attended YRS at Vivek High School, India.

18. April 2016: 4 students attended YRS at the Athenian School, San Francisco, USA, pictured below, L to R, **Wafiah (7K), Nuren (7C), Alivi (7S), Nahiyen (CGSD), Neeta Miss (CGSD).**



Extracurricular Activities (ECA's) and Sports:

◆ Annual Athletics was held.

◆ Inter-house competitions in athletics, badminton, basketball, cricket, football, GK, ha-do-do, table-tennis.

◆ Cricket, football and basketball teams played inter-school competitions.

◆ Summer online art competition at CGS.

◆ DEA Gold and Silver Award Trips in February.

◆ Cultural programmes for all classes.

Academic and other Achievements:

◆ CGS Champion in Clarion Football Tournament.

◆ CGS student team won Global Online Competition Award for the project 'My Town.'

◆ 'British Council Book Reading Awards' for CGS students.

◆ 'ICS' Art Competition Awards for CGS students.

◆ 'Lanka Bangla Finance' Art Competition Awards.

◆ CGS students won awards in the International Art-For-Peace Brazil competition.

◆ DEA certificate of Recognition for CGS.

◆ 43 CGS: NC students attained a total of GPA 5.0, 3 students attained A grade & 6 students achieved scholarship in fourth batch of 'Primary School Certificate Examinations.' 19 CGS: NC students attained a total of GPA 5.0 & 6 students achieved golden GPA 5.0 in first batch of 'Secondary School Certificate Examinations.'

◆ Dibyatany Bhattacharjee received **CIE Best Across Four Award: First place for 'A' Level Top of the World Mathematics & Biology, Top-in-Bangladesh Awards for 'A' Level Chemistry and Physics.**

◆ Sartaj Habib received **CIE Top-in-Bangladesh Awards** for 'O' Level BD Studies.

◆ Radeef Chowdhury received **CIE High Achievement Awards** for 'O' Level Commerce.

◆ Alfaed Salahuddin ('AS' Law) and Ehfaz Rezwani ('AS' Computing) received **CIE Top-in-Bangladesh Awards.**

◆ 22 students won Gold, Silver and Bronze awards in the Royal Commonwealth Society Essay Competition.

◆ CGS students won 10 'CIE Brilliance Awards.'

◆ 60 Daily Star 'National Builder' Awards won by CGS.

◆ 98% pass rate was achieved for 'O' Levels, while the A/B percentage reached 93%, with 73% A grades.

◆ 'AS/A' Level pass rate was 100%. The A/B percentage was 70%, while 42% were A grades.

◆ CGS students gained admission in top universities including: AUW, City University, Concordia, Durham, Edinburgh, HKU, Harvard, IIT, Kings College, Manchester, McGill, MIT, Nottingham, Queen Mary, SOAS, Stony Brook, University College London, UCLA, University of Toronto, Waterloo and York!