

# GIGABYTE

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GIG International School,  
Singapore, E-Newsletter



## A Message From The Academic Team

Learning a language is a long journey and our Cambridge International English Qualifications help by giving your child regular goals to aim for. Each exam builds on the skills from the previous level and prepares your child for success. We at GIG International School in sync with the Cambridge approach endeavor to prepare our Learners for life, helping them develop an informed curiosity and a lasting passion for learning. Our program is built around what matters most to your child as they take their first steps in education and towards a world class international qualification,

which includes a broad curriculum for a balanced education. It also has a robust foundation with excellent progression and a flexible approach. We strive to make our learners Confident Communicators, Effective Readers, Good Orators, and Critical Thinkers through various English enriching activities like Oxford reading tree, Tale-vision elocution competition, Spell Bee etc.

The last couple of months were spent by the students enjoying various theme-based activities. This edition of our newsletter takes you through the highlighting activities of July and August 2022.

# ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

## LANGUAGE WEEK:

We at GIG International School truly believe in multiculturalism and diversity and what better way than linguistic diversity among our student community. Over the month of August, we celebrated the beauty of languages with a range of activities, games, and competitions. A glimpse of the same is as follows.



### French Language Week Celebration:

Language week has been a great opportunity to celebrate French culture in our class. The students have learnt cultural facts about France: the flag, the Eiffel Tower, a symbol of the country: the rooster, the motto "Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité", the national anthem "La Marseillaise", the typical food: le pain, les croissants, le fromage.

## Tamil Language Week Celebration:

The students and staff members of the Tamil Language Department commemorated the Tamil Language week with great zeal. To begin with, some traditional activities such as thoranam making, drawing on the pot and kolam drawing was taught by the students to fellow students. Students of Grade 6 participated in a Tamil activity conducted in class. Students identified character traits as well as sort traits by type. They were able to determine specific character traits through a character's behaviour or actions as well as list character traits about Bharathidasan through a one-pager strategy. Mr. Osai Chezhiyan, a marketing head in leading pharma company in India and the CEO in Yaal Exports addressed our students about the importance of learning Tamil and the culture. Overall, the Tamil Language week made the students understand the relevance of tradition and beauty of one of the oldest languages.



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## Hindi Language Week Celebration:

This was a part of Language Week celebration, to celebrate the glory of Hindi language which is widely spoken by over 366 million speakers worldwide. The language is not just restricted to India but is also widely spoken in nations like Mauritius, Fiji, Guyana, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago. We at GIG International School, celebrated the Hindi language week by hosting an array of competitions.



## English Language Week Celebration:

To Commemorate English Language week, various fun activities were organized. The students did poster presentation on their favourite fable, dressed up as characters from books, and spoke about various morals and virtues. Our grade 9 students enacted the first part of Midsummer Nights Dream.





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## EXPERT TALK:

We at GIG International School were honoured to have amongst us Mr. C Kunalan, an eminent Singapore athlete and an educationist. He represented Singapore in the Olympics and various other international sports forums. Mr. Kunalan gave us the opportunity to hear from him, his talk was insightful, and our students had a great time hearing from his experience.



## RACIAL HARMONY DAY



**Racial Harmony day** is celebrated in Singapore on 21st July every year. This day in Singapore, celebrates its success as a racially harmonious and secular nation, which mainly consists of Chinese, Malay, Indians as well as Eurasian that are citizens of the country. GIGIS organised a range of cross-cultural activities to commemorate Racial Harmony Day. Students watched a presentation on Racial Harmony and they also dressed up in their traditional attires. They wished their friends from different parts of the country and the world.

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## SINGAPORE NATIONAL DAY



Singapore, the country we call home celebrates its 57<sup>th</sup> birthday! This little red dot is a melting pot of unity, togetherness, and harmony. As a mark of celebration and solidarity to the young nation, we had a special assembly on Monday! With all dressed in National colours, the students of grade 5B brought various National symbols to life of stage! They explained the history, significance and the values emulated by the Merlion, the coat of arms, the National anthem, and the national flag. They also displayed harmony by reiterating the national pledge. The true spirit of Majulah Singapura echoed in each heart as we concluded the day with unified singing of the national anthem.

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## INVESTITURE CEREMONY



Investiture means a formal investment of a person with authority, power, right, and dignity. It is rightly said that 'leaders are not born, they are made'. **Investiture ceremony** is one of the most important ceremonies of the school. After these years, it reminds us of the trust and confidence that we repose in our newly elected cabinet. Donning the mantle of responsibility, they all pledge to dispense their duties to the best of their abilities and abide by rules and regulations of the school. The investiture ceremony is an occasion where our elected prefect body of the student council steps into their leadership role and takes an oath to deliver their duties promptly and thus striving to impact the school community positively on the path of success. Our Patented 4Q framework aims at imparting the students with 21<sup>st</sup> century skills that will help them thrive in this dynamic world. This journey of creating the school council has demonstrated critical thinking and leadership skills that will help the students grow into leaders of the future generation. Above is the glimpse of our very first Investiture Ceremony.



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## STEM ACTIVITY:

As rightly said by Theodore Levitt, "Creativity is thinking up new things. Innovation is doing new things." The students of grades 1-9 extend their learning in classrooms to labs with STEM KITS. They are learning to apply the Science concepts learnt in the classroom and make this learning come alive in the lab. Hope this small step is an inspiration to many booming Scientists around the school that anything can be achieved if you set your mind on it!



## UOI ACTIVITY:

The fossil hunters - letting learners spark their creativity and imaginations. Art is not just drawing and painting. Learners of Grade 5 created fossils and designed fossil drawings in a unique role play manner. They were given an opportunity to be palaeontologists.

This activity developed their fundamental cognitive, social, emotional, and physical skills along with enhancing artistic skills. This transdisciplinary with UOI activity allows students to act out and make sense of real-life situations. They explored, investigate, and experimented with different materials together.



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## LEARNING THROUGH ART



According to Kandinsky, the circle is the synthesis of the greatest oppositions. It combines the concentric and the eccentric in a single form, and in balance. This craft work is pure abstract in its truest meaning, it is subjective and relies on the infinite possibilities of interpretation of the circle to create a sense of spiritual and emotional harmony for the learners. Vasulte Kandinsky's inspired tree by Grade 1 and 2 students as part of the CCA activity.

## SONY CREATIVE SCIENCE AWARDS INTERNAL COMPETITION:

As per the quote by Albert Einstein "Creativity is intelligence having fun"; GIG International school organised the Young Creators Toy exhibition as a part of the Sony Creative Science Award. SCSA is Singapore's largest national toy-making competition for primary school students, jointly organised by the Science Centre Singapore and the Sony Group of Companies in Singapore, with the support of the Ministry of Education. Enthusiastic creators from classes 1-5 were proud to display their toys. They were eager to answer the questions put forward by the judges. They explained the scientific principles that went into making their creative toys.





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## OLYMPIAD AWARDS:



The students of GIGIS have consistently shown remarkable performance in the Olympiads for subjects like Science, Mathematics, Computer Education, English, and General Knowledge conducted by Science Olympiad Foundation. Our students made us proud by securing a number of top Awards at Zonal and International levels in the Olympiads. We bagged a total of 61 Awards.

**IGKO (GK Olympiad)** – 3 Gold medals of Excellence.

**IEO (English Olympiad)** - 11 Gold medals of Excellence, 8 medals of Distinction.

**IMO (Maths Olympiad)** - 11 Gold medals of Excellence and 4 medals of Distinction, 1 Zonal Gold Winner medal, 1 International Gold Winner Medal and 1 International Silver Winner Medal

**NSO (Science Olympiad)** - 11 Gold medals of Excellence and 6 medals of Distinction, 1 Zonal Bronze Winner medal

**NCO (Cyber Olympiad)** - 1 Zonal Silver Winner medal 8 students have received gift vouchers ranging from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1000 out of which 2 students received multiple gift voucher

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## DANCE COMPETITION:



It is not about winning or losing a competition, it's about beating the doubt from within yourself and knowing that at the end of each day you are one step closer to your goal. - Jonathan Horton.

Our students participated in the Annual Dance Competition Jhankar organized by GIIS Smart Campus. While our students did not win awards, they had a great time learning about teamwork and ethos of participating in competition. Our students participated in various categories and made the school proud.

## CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP:

A creative workshop was conducted by Ms. Shilpa Thakor, the Curriculum Head of GIG International schools, who is an expert IGCSE-A Level facilitator at GIGIS Singapore.

The workshop enriched the students with the different techniques and nuances of narrative writing tasks. More than 40 students enjoyed this interactive session. Special takeaways and handouts were given to each child to enhance the creative writing skills.



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## INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION:



Cultural inclusiveness and tolerance is an absolute important personality trait that the citizens of the future must have. The students of grade 3, took up the assembly stage to talk about India's freedom struggle and the 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day.

The students performed patriotic songs and dance and spoke extensively about the day! We at GIG International School are extremely proud of our young minds, who are taking initiatives to respect different cultures and appreciate diversities.

## SPELL O WELL:

On 19<sup>th</sup> August 2022, GIG International School took part in Spell-O-Well 2022 organised by GIS Smart Campus.

Spell-O-Well is a competition that tests students' knowledge on thesaurus, deciphering a word from pictures, decoding word from jumbled up words, word formation and of course the classic spellathon. Our students Rishaan , Deona and Anurag did our school proud by clinching the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in this coveted competition. Well done to our students!





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## PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP:

The students of GIG International school, participated in a photography workshop conducted by Ms Aruna. Ms Aruna is a photography enthusiast and has a plethora of experience in teaching students about nature photography. The workshop was held at Botanic Garden Singapore. The students were taught about the basics of nature photography, angle, light, exposure etc.

At GIG International school, we believe that students should have a greater chance of understanding the dynamic world and thrive to become the best.



## AWARD CEREMONY:



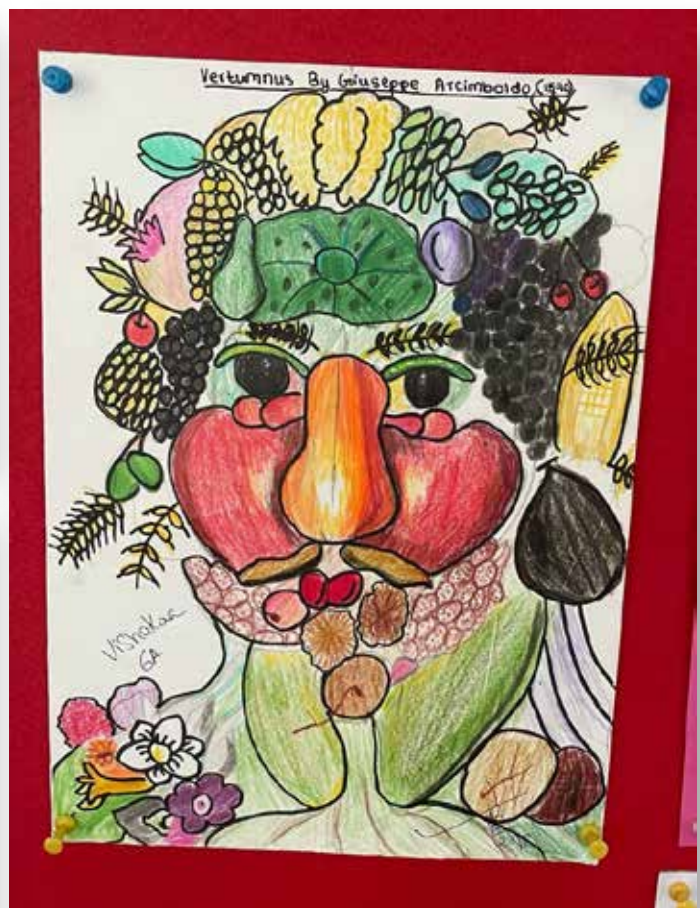
GIG International School truly believe that education plays a crucial role in the development of an individual. Hence, we are committed to provide a conducive environment, imbibing good values and imparting new skillset. It gives us great pride in saying that our teachers are leaving no stone unturned in working towards this direction.

On 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022, GIG International School celebrated its Inaugural Academic Excellence Awards. It goes without saying that Award Ceremony is amongst one of the treasured occasions of the school as it provides an opportunity to reflect on the preceding year, address the school community and share achievements, success and future plans. The awards were given out for Subject Proficiency and overall academic excellence.

To commemorate this occasion, we had our Guest of Honor, Dr. Dinesh Kumar, who is the Deputy Education Director of Anatomy, NUS Medicine. Dr. Dinesh Kumar along with Mr. GSS Rao, Director GIG International School and Ms. Shilpa Thakor, Head of Curriculum English, and Ms Parameshwari our Primary Coordinator presented the awards.

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## ART WORK:





# STAR STUDENTS

JULY 2022

**Class 1A**  
Jessica Amritraj

**Class 2B**  
Jevesh Kesavan

**Class 2C**  
Sannidhi Huddar

**Class 2A**  
Nidhi Raghu

**Class 3B**  
Adit Sharma

**Class 3C**  
Fathima Haseeba  
Mowlana

**Class 3A**  
Jhanvi  
Dharanikota

**Class 5A**  
Sparsh Karpe

**Class 4B**  
Neria Kalwani

**Class 4A**  
Abeer Gupta

**Class 5B**  
Anurag Patil



# STAR STUDENTS

AUGUST 2022

**Class 1A**  
Suryansh  
Pratap Singh

**Class 2B**  
Sai Manogna Ranam

**Class 2C**  
Thoshita  
TKothapallai

**Class 2A**  
Dhanyasri  
Vinayagam

**Class 3B**  
Diya Mary Dibin

**Class 3C**  
Prasiha Sathish  
Kumar

**Class 3A**  
Kriti Mannava

**Class 4B**  
Umme Hani Ali

**Class 5A**  
Shreyas Gouda

**Class 4A**  
Akshdeep  
Singh

**Class 5B**  
Yatirajula  
Gunavardhan