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GIG International School, Singapore E-Newsletter



Dear GIG International School Family,

As we move into Term II of the academic year 2025–2026, it gives me great joy to reflect on the many milestones and accomplishments our community has achieved in recent months. This July to September have been a season of academic progress, spirited celebrations, and meaningful connections — a time that truly reflects how far we have come in our journey towards offering a world-class Cambridge pathway from Class 1 to Cambridge AS & A Levels.

One of the most exciting announcements this term is the launch of our Cambridge International AS & A Level programme, officially beginning in June 2026. This marks a historic milestone for GIG International School, completing our progression to a full Cambridge continuum — from Primary to IGCSE, and now to AS & A Levels. With this, our students can pursue the full internationally recognised Cambridge pathway at GIG, including the prestigious Gold standard qualification of Cambridge AS & A Levels through the AICE Diploma, opening doors to top universities worldwide.

Our academic growth was also celebrated through the recent IGCSE 2025 examination results, where our learners demonstrated both resilience and excellence. We are proud to share a 100% pass rate, with all students in Additional Mathematics achieving an A*. Notably, Gautham Ganesh Kumar distinguished himself with an outstanding 8 A*s, a reflection of his hard work and the unwavering support of his teachers. These achievements are a testament to the strength of our Cambridge curriculum, the dedication of our educators, and the perseverance of our students.

Beyond exams, our learners continue to engage in experiences that make learning vibrant and hands-on. The MatheMagic Competition 2025 saw enthusiastic participation across grades, where students explored concepts of geometry, measurement, and physics through creativity and collaboration. From designing 3D models and rollercoasters to crafting illusion art, the event celebrated the art of thinking differently. Competitions like these nurture confidence, problem-solving ability, and teamwork — preparing our students to excel in both local and global platforms.

We are also proud to announce that over 300 GIG students will be registered in the upcoming academic competitions organised by the Singapore International Mastery Contests Centre (SIMCC) — a reputable platform offering contests in Mathematics, Science, English, and Computational Thinking. These competitions encourage critical thinking, deepen subject mastery, and offer students valuable opportunities for international recognition.

Our students also showcased their strategic thinking and teamwork at the 66th National Inter-School Team Chess Championships 2025, competing against over 1,500 participants from MOE and international schools. Our teams achieved impressive results, including 3rd place for both the Under 10 and Under 14 international school categories, while Sreekarthika (Cambridge Sec 2A) was awarded Best Board 1 Player. Beyond the accolades, every participant demonstrated focus, determination, and sportsmanship — reflecting the development of cognitive sports skills that are integral to our 4Q framework.

Our students also shone on the global stage at the Mental Math World Cup 2025, where six of our young mathematicians qualified for the Grand Finale and delivered outstanding performances. We are especially proud of Hamza Jamila (Class 4B), who earned the Country Top Rank and placed among the Top 200 in the world — an extraordinary achievement that highlights the talent and hard work within our GIG community.

Together, these milestones clearly reflect on an important part of the 4Q Framework employed in GIG — nurturing cognitive skills through strong academic foundations, technology, and pursuits like chess and math competitions, while instilling the spirit of life-long learning. From outstanding results and global achievements to engaging challenges that stretch minds and build confidence, every success demonstrates our commitment to preparing learners for the future. As we look forward to the launch of our Cambridge AS & A Level programme next year, we are excited and hope to continue this journey with familiar faces, supporting our students as they reach new heights of learning and discovery.

Thank you for your continued trust and support. Let us move forward with enthusiasm, purpose, and pride in all that our learners can and will achieve.

With warm regards,
Ms. Sathiyamoorthy Parameshwari
Vice Principal
GIG International School





JUNE HOLIDAY ADVENTURES - OVERSEAS TRIP TO FRANCE!



An Unforgettable French Adventure

From June 8–12, 21 French-language students (Cambridge Secondary 1 to IGCSE Year 2), accompanied by our teachers, embarked on a cultural and educational trip to France!

Highlights included exploring Montmartre in Paris, visiting D-Day landing sites in Normandy, touring the Isigny Caramel Factory, trying sand yachting, and a full-day excursion to Mont-Saint-Michel. The trip closed with iconic views of the Eiffel Tower and Arc de Triomphe in Paris!

Beyond cultural immersion, students gained independence, teamwork, and life skills, returning with unforgettable memories and a deeper appreciation for French language and culture!

Core Values- Student-centric, Life-long learning













JUNE HOLIDAY ADVENTURES - FIELD TRIPS TO MACRITCHIE RESERVOIR AND SINGAPORE ZOO!



This June holiday, GIG students had a wonderful time exploring the great outdoors! One group embarked on an exciting hike at MacRitchie Reservoir, where they enjoyed the fresh air, beautiful greenery, and the joy of staying active together. It was a healthy and refreshing way to bond while appreciating the calm of nature.

Another group spent a fun-filled day at the Singapore Zoo, learning about fascinating animals and the importance of treating them with kindness and compassion. Through interactive experiences, students discovered how every creature plays a role in our planet's ecosystem.

Both trips were not only fun and educational, but also meaningful — inspiring our students to care for the environment and understand our shared responsibility in protecting it for future generations.

Core Values- Student-centric, Kind and Compassionate















BACK TO SCHOOL



On July 9, we were delighted to welcome our students back through the doors of GIG with open arms and excited hearts. The atmosphere was filled with joy as the school came alive once again—buzzing with the energy of friendships rekindled, new connections made, and the anticipation of the learning journey ahead.

For many, it was a return to familiar faces and routines, while for others, it was the start of a brand-new chapter in our community. No matter the path, our commitment remained the same: to support every student wholeheartedly in their growth, both inside and outside the classroom.

Looking back, this moment set the tone for a school term brimming with opportunities, learning, and shared memories that we continue to create together.













EXPERT TALK - KICKING OFF THE RECYCLING JOURNEY!



Our students had the opportunity to attend an inspiring talk on recycling, led by Recycle Right and the Sembcorp Group. The session introduced the School Recycling League, a meaningful initiative in support of Tetra Pak.

During the talk, students learned what materials can and cannot be recycled, how the recycling process works, and the unique journey of Tetra Pak cartons. Their enthusiasm was clear—especially during the lively quiz segment that had everyone eagerly participating!

The highlight of the event was the launch of the #TetraPakRecyclingChallenge, where schools compete to collect the highest volume of beverage cartons by the end of September. The winning prize—a set of stools and a table made entirely from recycled cartons—certainly sparked motivation among our students.

To kickstart this journey, each student received a beverage carton and a notebook made from recycled paper cartons. With this, our students left not only equipped with knowledge, but also inspired to take active steps toward sustainability.

Core Values- Kind and Compassionate, Steadfast













EXPERT TALK - MINDFULNESS AND MEDITATION



Our Primary students and teachers gathered for a meaningful session on Mindfulness and meditation!

With an insightful expert sharing, we explored simple yet powerful ways to reduce stress, stay focused, and bring more calm and positivity into our daily lives—both in and out of the classroom. Followed by that, our International Yoga Championship prize winner Athirshta, and Yoga Club students demonstrated their yoga skills - a practice that incorporates mindful movement and breathwork, bringing peace to the mind and body.

It was a truly enriching experience that not only supported personal growth but also strengthened our shared commitment to creating a caring, balanced, and inspiring learning environment for all our students.

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RACIAL HARMONY DAY 2025



GIG came together to celebrate Racial Harmony Day, a vibrant occasion that highlights Singapore's multicultural spirit. Our Class 1 to IGCSE Year 2 students and staff came dressed in colourful traditional costumes, proudly showcasing the beauty of diverse cultures coming together as one community.

The day was filled with engaging activities! Students enjoyed traditional games such as five stones, Congkak, Chinese Checkers, and hopscotch—activities that encouraged both teamwork and fun.

Our primary students attended a lively assembly showcasing a skit and dance that brought to life the costumes, traditions, and foods of different ethnicities. Meanwhile, Secondary 1 to IGCSE Year 2 students took part in the Emerald House Essay Writing Competition, sharing thoughtful reflections on the theme, "What harmony means to me in multicultural Singapore."

Adding to the celebrations, students in Global Perspectives shared a spread of foods from different cultures—ranging from Western favourites like fries and chips to South Indian treats such as Thattai and milk cake—showing how food continues to be a universal language of connection.

It was truly a day of colour, culture, and community—one that reminded us of the joy of living and learning in a multicultural nation.

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PARENT TEACHER MEETING 2025



We were delighted to welcome our parent community for the Parent-Teacher Meeting. The event provided a meaningful opportunity to share updates on students' progress, strengths, and growth areas, while also setting the tone for a year of collaboration between home and school.

Parents had the chance to meet our dedicated educators and gain insights into the vision guiding our teaching and learning. Adding to the occasion, students' colourful and creative projects—including elaborate models of their dream houses—were proudly displayed, sparking admiration and lively conversations among families.

The meeting was a reminder of the strong partnership between parents and teachers in nurturing every child's potential. Together, we look forward to a year of growth, curiosity, and shared success.

















🖈 LANGUAGE WEEK 2025 AT GIG! 🎉





Students had an unforgettable time celebrating Language Week 2025, a vibrant five-day journey into the beauty of languages and cultures! Each day focused on English, Hindi, Tamil, and French, with activities ranging from food tastings and skits to dances, songs, and cultural showcases. 🎶 🛚 🦑

Highlights included dream-career presentations in English, dazzling Hindi dances and poems, Tamil skits and traditional performances, and joyful French songs and games. The celebration wrapped up with a grand finale of lively performances, an inspiring talk by Tamil poet and writer Mr. Satheesh, and an enriching excursion to the Indian Heritage Centre.

More than a festival, Language Week was a powerful celebration of identity, creativity, and cultural pride — bringing languages to life in the most exciting ways! **○** :+

Core Values- Student-centric, Innovative, Life-long learning















WHERE ART MEETS EQUATIONS +



This August, our classrooms came alive with creativity as students kicked off MatheMagic 2025! From funky math hats and colourful 3D models to illusion and mandala art themed "Harmony of Colours" — even mini working rollercoasters — the excitement was electric.

Students explored real-world concepts like geometry, symmetry, measurement, and physics through teamwork and house spirit, making learning both fun and hands-on. The Finals saw even more dazzling creations — glowing solar systems, illuminated model estates, and thrilling rollercoasters that wowed everyone!

Congratulations to all our young innovators for your enthusiasm and imagination in making MatheMagic 2025 such a vibrant success. We can't wait to see what creative wonders you bring next year!

Core Values- Student-centric, Innovative, Life-long learning, Leadership, Steadfast













SKETCH FOR CHANGE 2025





On 4th August, our Primary students proudly participated in the "Sketch for Change" art competition, organised in collaboration with the National Environment Agency. This year's theme — reducing disposables and food wastage — challenged our young artists to combine creativity with responsibility.

Armed with paintbrushes, pencils, and even digital tools like Photoshop and Procreate, students transformed their environmental vision into powerful art pieces. From vibrant posters to thought-provoking illustrations, each work reflected their passion for protecting our planet.

Through this platform, our students not only showcased their artistic talents but also voiced a strong message of sustainability, inspiring our school and wider community to take action for a greener future.

Core Values- Student-centric, Kind and Compassionate, Innovative













SINGAPORE 60TH NATIONAL DAY



Nearing August 9th, GIG International School celebrated Singapore's 60th National Day with a day full of energy, creativity, and pride!

Secondary students participated in a special assembly featuring a vibrant dance, a skit highlighting Singapore's history, and even a blindfolded piano performance. The celebration concluded with everyone reciting the Singapore Pledge, bringing everyone together in a spirit of unity.

Primary students showcased their house spirit through colourful in-house activities, creating heart-shaped artworks expressing their love for Singapore. The celebrations reflected talent, creativity, and community care, honouring Singapore's 60th birthday in true GIG spirit!

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79TH INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY



On August 15th, GIG International School came alive with colour and pride as we celebrated India's 79th Independence Day.

Class 4B set the tone with a heartfelt assembly that honoured the courage and sacrifice of freedom fighters like Bhagat Singh, Mahatma Gandhi, and Subhash Chandra Bose. Their inspiring presentation reminded us that freedom is not only to be remembered, but lived each day with pride and purpose!

Our Secondary students added vibrancy to the day through a creative activity celebrating unity. On hand cutouts in the colours of the Indian flag—orange for courage and sacrifice, white for peace and truth, and green for growth and harmony—they wrote five values they believe the world should live by. These were combined into striking collages, symbolising freedom, harmony, and hope for the future. Our GIG family came together in creativity, reflection, and pride to honour this special day!

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CELEBRATING RAKSHA BANDHAN!















Our GIG students brought joy and colour to this year's Raksha Bandhan celebration, organised by the Hindu Centre! This vibrant festival honours the special bond of love and protection between brothers and sisters.

Our talented students participated with great enthusiasm — from a captivating dance medley inspired by Vandan Ho that beautifully blended tradition and artistry, to a colourful art competition where one of our students proudly earned a consolation prize.

Everyone also joined in the traditional Rakhi tying ceremony, symbolising care, respect, and unity. We're so proud of our students for showcasing their creativity, culture, and spirit at this meaningful celebration!

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SHARING IS CARING KINDNESS DRIVE



♥ Spreading Kindness, One Act at a Time **♥**

At GIG, kindness isn't just spoken — it's shown through action. As part of the Singapore Kindness Movement, our school carried out our annual food donation drive in support of Food From The Heart Singapore, an organization that aims to help feed those in need.

Students and teachers came together with generosity, donating essentials such as rice, noodles, and milk. The GIG Staff Club also joined in by contributing 25 kg of rice — a small gesture with a big heart. \heartsuit

In addition, our students expressed their empathy creatively by painting stones and writing kind messages on the leaves of a Kindness Tree. Each "kindness leaf" carried thoughtful words and values, reminding us that compassion grows when we nurture it together.

Let's continue to build a community of care, empathy, and kindness — one thoughtful act at a time. 🐆

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EXCELLENCE AT GIG!



We are delighted to share the remarkable achievements of our 2^{nd} Batch of IGCSE students in the Cambridge IGCSE June 2025 examinations. Their hard work, perseverance, and dedication — supported by the guidance of our teachers and the encouragement of parents — have resulted in truly outstanding outcomes.

This year, our students achieved a 100% pass rate across all modules, with 100% of our students proudly earning the prestigious ICE Award and 43% achieving ICE Distinction. A 100% of our Additional Mathematics students also scored A*s, a perfect record. Beyond these milestones, 60% of the cohort achieved A* and A grades. Our star performer, Gautham Ganesh Kumar, secured an outstanding 8 A*s. These accomplishments reflect the GIG spirit of excellence and the high standards of learning we uphold. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our teachers for their relentless dedication, to our parents for their unwavering support, and above all, to our students, whose resilience and determination continue to inspire us all.

Together, let us look forward with pride and optimism as we nurture every child to achieve their very best. 🔀













YOGA ACHIEVEMENT - ATHIRSHTA



We are delighted to share the outstanding achievement of Athirshta Mariraj, who secured 3rd place in the 6–8 age category at the 1st International Yoga Championship 2025, held in Kuala Lumpur on 15–16 August. With over 70 participants from India, Malaysia, Singapore, and Sri Lanka, her success was truly remarkable.

Athirshta impressed the judges with her versatility across multiple events, from long-holding competitions to a rhythmic yoga group performance, mastering challenging poses such as backward bends, hand balances, and twists with confidence and grace.

As a committed member of the GIG Yoga CCA for the past three years, Athirshta has grown in strength, focus, and resilience. Her achievement is a wonderful celebration of discipline and passion—and an inspiration to the entire GIG community. Congratulations Athirshta, we are so proud!













L GIG TRIUMPHS AT THE 66TH NATIONAL INTER-SCHOOL TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025! ▼ →



We're incredibly proud of our students for their outstanding performance at the 66th National Inter-School Team Chess Championships 2025, held last weekend! Competing among 1,500+ participants from MOE and international schools across Singapore, our 24 young strategists showcased remarkable skill, focus, and teamwork.

- ϔ Highlights:
- Under 10 Team 3rd Place (Non-MOE Category)
- Under 14 Team 3rd Place (Non-MOE Category)
- Special mention: Sreekarthika (Cambridge Sec 2A) Best Board 1 Player!





















Our Under 8 and Under 12 teams also put up a strong fight, displaying great promise and determination in closely contested rounds.

A heartfelt thank-you to our dedicated coaches, Mr. Gabriel and Ms. Niveditha, and to our supportive parents for guiding and cheering our players throughout their journey.

Congratulations to all our students for their grit, sportsmanship, and passion — you've made GIG proud once again! Here's to even greater victories ahead! # 1













SREEKARTHIKA EASTERN ASIA YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2025









We are proud to celebrate the remarkable achievements of Sreekarthika from Cambridge Secondary 2A, who shone brightly at the 9th Eastern Asia Youth Chess Championship 2025. She made an impressive sweep of 3 medals, a Gold in Standard, a Silver in Rapid, and a Bronze in Blitz in the Girls Under-16 category. Though she was eligible to compete in the Under-14 category, she challenged herself against older opponents and emerged victorious!

Her success is a testament to her dedication and resilience, and her willingness to test herself beyond her comfort zone is an inspiration to her peers. Sreekarthika's accomplishment is a proud moment for the entire GIG community, and reflects the steadfast encouragement and support she receives from both home and school.

We warmly congratulate her and look forward to seeing her continue to excel in her chess journey in the years ahead!













■ GIG SHINES AT THE MENTAL MATHWORLD CUP 2025!









A huge congratulations to our six brilliant students who qualified for the Grand Finale of the Mental Math World Cup 2025 and delivered exceptional performances on the global stage!

A special shout-out to Hamza Jamila (Class 4B) for earning the Country Top Rank and placing among the Top 200 worldwide (Rank 146) — a truly remarkable achievement that made GIG proud! 💢

From an incredible 8,600 participants across 57 countries, our students advanced through Round 1 to the Grand Finale. Facing 3,600 finalists across 17 time zones, they demonstrated outstanding mental agility, focus, and determination.

Organised by Live Math Competitions and League, this global event not only celebrates excellence in mental arithmetic but also builds confidence, resilience, and a love for learning.

Heartiest congratulations to all our finalists — your hard work and achievements have truly inspired us all!

Name (Course) - Category - World Rank - Country Rank:

- Hamza Jamila (Class 4B) Master 146 1
- Diya Mary Dibin (Cambridge Secondary 1B) Master 789 2
- Gurram Hemank (Class 5B) Master 1078 3
- Diva Anna Dibin (Cambridge Secondary 1B) Master 1124 4
- Mariam Jamila (Cambridge Secondary 3A) Grandmaster- 446 16
- Pavki Mittal (IGCSE Year 1A) Grandmaster 645 23

















We're thrilled to celebrate Pranay Ghosh (Cambridge Secondary 2A) for winning the Best Duet Award at the Global Singing Stars (GSS) 2025, a yearly singing competition led by GIIS!

The event brought together talented voices from across campuses, and Pranay's heartfelt performance truly shone on stage. His passion for music and dedication to his craft, as well as the support and encouragement from his parents and teachers in nurturing his musical journey, earned him this well-deserved recognition. Congratulations Pranay, keep singing and shining!













15TH INTER-SCHOOL HIQ QUIZ COMPETITION



Six of our students proudly represented GIG at the Inter-School HiQ Quiz Competition hosted by GIIS. The event brought together bright young minds from leading schools for an intense and exciting test of knowledge and quick thinking. Our participants—Advith (3A), Hiti (3B), Shivaditya and Haasini (4A), and Dhruv and Vishak (5B)—took on challenging rounds spanning English, Mathematics, Science, Spatial Reasoning, Visual Intelligence, Sports, and Technology. Each round demanded sharp focus, teamwork, and resilience.

The team's determination and spirited performance made us proud, making the experience a true celebration of curiosity, collaboration, and learning. It was an inspiring opportunity that left our students motivated and eager to aim even higher for future challenges.













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Admissions open - classes 1 to IGCSE Year 2, Cambridge AS & A Levels starting in June 2026



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