



February 2015

From the Principal's Desk.

“The most gratifying result of intellectual evolution and growth is the continuous knowingness that sparks freedom of expression and appreciation.”

Dear Parents,

February has been a month of submissions and uploading of assessment documents in the Diploma Programme. Besides this Grade 12 has also started their Mock Examination on 26th Feb., heralding the end of another batch of diploma students.

It was also a time to evaluate Grade 9 through the Half Yearly Examination. The papers have been marked and the teachers are in the process of discussing the papers. The Club activities have resumed after the exam. Nano- Technology as a part of the Emerging sciences has started.

We have also completed the registration for the June series IGCSE examination.

Community, Action and Service: CAS has always been a meaningful experience for our students. Poster Making was part of the CAS activity for Grades 6, 7 & 8. These posters focused on spreading an awareness to control bullying. The students have also started working on an anti-bullying wall. During the CAS period, the students of Grade 6 and 7 have also provided Numeracy Support to students in Grades 1 to 3 in the Community School. Students have worked in small groups, for an hour session each week and the focus was on multiplication and division.

Orion House, as part of their house vision has succeeded in getting the approval from the panchayat head to construct a tank for the distribution of recycled water in Kalahalli. As approval has also come in for holding two Wellness Workshops, the students are in the process of contacting NGOs to run these workshops.

The students of the Hercules House were divided into groups to work on the survey to be conducted through a questionnaire for the shopkeepers at Billapura cross and the gated community next to the school. They have also made a PowerPoint presentation showing the timeline for the documentary house vision - Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. Students consolidated the list of things to be procured for the Cleanliness drive which will commence after the questionnaire survey.

The students of Phoenix and Pegasus are making Posters and Pamphlets to take their vision forward while at the same time procuring material for their respective tasks. Plans are nearing completion to run the certified Beautician Course and the Tailoring Course at Handenahalli.

The students of the Pre IB have worked with the IICS students (Grades 1 to 5) on an individual basis to create opportunities to make a difference and develop their leadership skills.

The students of Grade X provided Math support in "Division" to students in Grades 3 to 5.

Indus Boarding: Weekends are well spent in the Boarding. Sunday 15th Feb had exciting moments for our boarders who watched India's title Defense in the World Cup Cricket 2015 match against Pakistan. An air of applause and celebration rang clear when India played the winning shot. This was not all. The match against South Africa was another that had all cheer as India made their strategy felt, ball after ball, to emerge victorious.

Pulsating moments were experienced at Asia's premier air show, "Aero India", at the IAF Yelahanka air base. This 10th edition in Bangalore enabled our boarders witness the static and air display of various aircraft. The aerobatic maneuvers that bordered on close encounters and the open sky jump by the USA Special Forces enthralled our students. They were fortunate to see the Rafale fighters of the French giant Dassault, shortlisted for the acquisition by the IAF.

70 boarders along with 7 members of staff headed for their weekend for an outing to Pondicherry and Mahabalipuram and will be back on 1st March 2015.

Model United Nations: The MUN team of 11 boys who travelled to Mumbai on 22nd Feb, to compete in the MUN hosted by the Singapore International School, was an enriching experience. Pranav Prakash won the best delegate award for DISEC (Disarmament and International Security Committee) and Advitya Narang won the best delegate for OIC (Organization of Islamic Cooperation).

Cancer Awareness Programme: To promote cancer awareness amongst high school students, the founding directors of Kalp Cancer Foundation, who specialize in the field Oncology, were invited to conduct a session on Wednesday, February 25. We believe that students need to be aware of cancer, its causes, harmful effects of tobacco etc. that will help them to imbibe good social habits. The event was conducted as a quiz format centering around facts and related information about cancer, which made the session very interactive.

Placement Cell: The Placement Cell continued to be busy throughout the month. The 4 hour workshop for Grade 11 students conducted by our Counselling team was informative, setting the platform for the application process. Besides meeting families of Grade 11 students several university visits too were arranged and hosted. To name a few we had 11 US Universities; the Linden Tours, universities from Ireland, UK and Spain.

Sports: Suvir Wadhwa, Jung Ju Shim and Nischit Karunesh, all three of Grade-7 in our Robotics Team competed in the IRCJ competition held at St.John's High school, Frazer Town Bangalore on 14th Feb. There were 38 teams in all. Our team won the second place and has qualified for the IRCJ nationals.

The soccer clinic by Paris Saint Germain (PSG) for our students and the Community School Students on 22nd Feb 2015 was an experience that was much needed. PSG is recruiting students for the world cup in 2017. The clinic provided an excellent exposure to our students and the Head Coach of PSG Mr. Moussa Toure was very impressed with the innate talents and skills that he was witness to. As such he is planning to conduct one more session in school.

The School Junior Football Team (Grades 9 and below) participated in the TISB Inter School Football Tournament from 3rd to 5th Feb 2015. Our football team played league matches with Greenwood High, NPS (Indira Nagar) and NPS (Rajaji Nagar). In the league matches our School team came Second in the pool and played with the TISB School team in the Semi-final. Our students played extremely well and won the semi-final with a score 1-0. In the Final match, our School team played against NPS (Indira Nagar) and emerged winners with an outstanding result: 6-1. The details of the team are in Appendix I

What a splash as a swimmers vied with each other in the Sr. School Annual aquatic meet on 27th Feb. Please refer Appendix II for details.

Primary Years Program: A field trip in the PYP is a fun filled experience. Prep 2 students visited Gerry Martin's farm and a silk worm farm to deepen their understanding of the unit on Animals under the theme 'Sharing the Planet'. They enjoyed observing several domestic animals, and the creepy crawlies which enabled them to make connections with their learning on animal classification, their use and care.

The G4 field trip was planned to enhance student learning of the unit on Space under the theme 'Where we are in place and time'. The trip to the Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium helped reinforce the concepts of space, heavenly bodies, natural phenomena and our changing beliefs about Earth and Space.

The highlight of this month is an event that captivated many a heart – the PYP Indus Day- "Most of us spend too much time on the last 24 hours and too little on the last 6000 years." - Will Durant

We truly believe that the past gives the present its value, therefore our primary years students chose to delve into our past and bring to life human societies of yesteryear from around the world on 27th Feb 2015. Our early years highlighted the glorious Vijayanagar Dyanasty, while Grade 1 took us back to the origins of Olympics, Grade 2 students brought King Tutankhaman to life, Grade 3 showcased the achievements of the First Chinese Emperor, Grade 4 brought to life the qualities of Akbar the Great and Grade 5 underscored woman empowerment through their act on Henry the VIII and Elizabeth I.

The ballet performance, invocation dance, choir and orchestra were a visual and auditory treat for the audience.

As we march into March, we look forward to a month of academic rigour. Our aim will always be to ignite the inner light.

Regards,



Mrs. Sarojini Rao
Principal

Appendix I

**INDUS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
TISB JUNIORS MATCH -2015
Winners - Boys Team**

SL.NO	NAME	GRADE
1.	Rahul Rawat	9
2.	Schiraag Raj	7
3.	Roshan Anand (GK)	9
4.	Pavan Badwal	9
5.	Paz Sangma	8
6.	Mihir Roy	8
7.	Kevan Lyngdoh	8
8.	Ghalib Al Halim	8
9.	Aaryan Prakash	8
10.	Shri Kritt Poddar	8
11.	Adrien Lee	8
12.	Bhuvash Doshi	8
13.	Woo Hyun Lee (James)	9
14.	Nazmus Shakhib	8
15.	Parkhyun jae	9
16.	Megh Raj	7

Appendix II

Results of Senior Schools Inter House Swimming Meet 2014-2015

Individual Championship Award

Sl No	Name	Grade	House	Category	Points
1	Kiran Antose	6	Phoenix House	Boys U 12	15 Points
2	Nikita Vinay Kishan	6	Orion House	Girls U 12	15 Points
3	Adrien Lee	8	Phoenix House	Boys U 14	15 Points
4	Neeyor Bora Natarajan	8	Orion House	Girls U 14	11 Points
5	Kavin Lingaraju	9	Phoenix House	Boys U 16	15 Points
6	Drisya Antose	9	Phoenix House	Girls U 16	15 Points
7	Nicolas B	11	Phoenix House	Senior Boys	15 Points
8	Ashumi Rajesh Shah	11	Hercules House	Senior Girls	15 Points

Overall Team Position

Sl No	House	Points	Position
1	Phoenix House	207	I
2	Orion House	127	II
3	Hercules House	111	III
4	Pegasus House	58	IV

