

CAMBRIDGE ASSESSMENT INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION REG. CENTRE - IN653,KOWDIAR P.O, TRIVANDRUM - 695003,KERALA,INDIA

Principal's Message

Dear CNItes, Staff, Parents and Well-wishers,

We come to the end of the second term which was filled with colourful events. Heartfelt congratulations on your outstanding achievements in studies, arts, sports, and the spectacular Annual day Celebrations. Your all-round development is truly commendable, and I am delighted in your accomplishments. Keep up the excellent work!



Your dedication and talents shine brightly, contributing to the overall success of our school. Your hard work and resilience have brought us to this milestone. Reflect on your achievements, learn from experiences, and recharge during the break for another marvellous year. Christmas is a celebration of giving, sharing and spending time with the loved ones. It is a time for joy, love and compassion. May the festive spirit fill your hearts with warmth and happiness. Enjoy the upcoming Christmas holidays, make cherished memories, and return refreshed for the new year ahead. As you leave for your Christmas vacation, I extend warm wishes to each of you. May this festive season be a fruitful and meaningful one. Take the time to rest and rejuvenate, and return in the new year with renewed energy. Wishing all a Joyous Christmas, and Blessed New Year!

God bless you! God bless CNIS! Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI Principal

### Cambridge Awards A moment of pride for CNIS!

Two of our outstanding learners have been honoured with the prestigious Cambridge Outstanding Learner Awards.

Justin Philip Prasad bagged the **Best Across Award** for having attained the highest cumulative total standard marks in the country in the March 2023 series for three of the Cambridge International A Level.

Krishna Arun of Grade XII received the **High Achievement Award** for securing the highest standard marks in the Country for Cambridge International AS Level Geography in the November 2022 series. "Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." - Helen Keller



CNIte Justin Philip Prasad BEST ACROSS INDIA Cambridge International A Level March 2023



CNIte Krishna Arun HIGH ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (Geography) Cambridge International AS Level November 2022

#### CNIS CHRONICLE - CHRIST NAGAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL Teachers' Day & Talents Day

The CNIS Student Council paid a befitting tribute to their facilitators on 5 September 2023. The Teachers' Day celebration was a beautiful reminder of the immense impact teachers have on their students' lives. Music was the prime event as CNIte Ishan Anas and team serenaded the crowd with a cover of *In This Moment* by Alison Yap, which was followed by a beautiful speech on Teachers' Day by CNIte Joel George Thomas. CNIte Vibha Rajesh designed beautiful notebook-inspired cards for our Teaching Faculty. The musical chair for teachers added a tinge of fun to the occasion.

Talents Day was conducted on 12 September 2023, as an extension to the Teachers' Day Celebration. Students of Grades X, XI & XII participated in the event by reversing roles with their beloved teachers. In a colourful Opening Ceremony that witnessed the ceremonial parade of the student teachers, Fr. Principal declared CNIte Vibha Rajesh as the Student Principal and CNIte Krishnan Sreekumar as the Student Vice Principal. The traditional Chakra was handed over by Fr. Principal, marking the transfer of responsibilities for the day to the CNItes. Students entertained the teachers by organizing games. The closing ceremony in which the awards were declared, was held at 1.40pm.

## Harmony of Hope-

Harmony of hope - An Eve to Believe, a fund raiser event, was organised at the Kowdiar campus on 16 September. The goal was to raise funds for a noble cause. Under the able tutelage of Fr. Principal, the students, teachers, parents, well-wishers and alumni of the school put together a memorable event filled with music, dance and fun. We collaborated with the other Christ Nagar Schools, Christ Nagar College Maranalloor and Trivandrum International School. The students from these institutions also put up a splendid performance. The event proved that we rise by helping others rise.

# Grandparents' Day-

The class assembly of Grade VIII was held on 20 September 2023 on the theme, *Grandparents' Day*. The students presented an array of performances to entertain their grandparents, including a heart-rending skit. CNItes of Grade X distributed welcome cards to the grandparents and lovingly applied sandalwood paste on their forehead. Grandfather of CNIte Madhav Krishna, Dr G N R Nair and Grandmother of CNIte Arnav and Adwaith Komban, Smt. Savitri Amma were honoured with Ponnada by Principal, Rev. Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI. The events ended with a note of gratitude from the grandparents expressing their utmost happiness in getting a chance to participate in the beautiful assembly organised only for them.







### **CNIS Annual Sports Meet**

Conducted for the first time on the school grounds, on 30 September 2023, the 20 th Annual Sports Meet got the CNIS athletes competing with one another in multiple events under the banners of the 4 Houses, Amazon, Ganges, Nile and Volga. The Meet began with the March Past, as part of the Opening Ceremony, where the athletes marched in unison and gave the official salute to the Chief Guest, Ms. Lekha, the renowned world women's boxing champion and the recipient of the Dhyan Chand Award. The Meet was officially inaugurated with the lighting of the Olympic torch, carried by the House Captains, igniting a flame of determination in every heart. The Chief Guest administered the oath and declared the Meet open. What ensued was a spectacular display of energy and sportive rhythm. Muscles ached, lungs burned, but the spirit remained unbending.



### **Inter House Handball Finals**

In the way too exciting finals of the Inter-House Handball tournament, on 15 November 2023, Volga House and Ganges House emerged winners in the Boys' and Girls' categories respectively, the Runners Up being Ganges and Nile. CNItes Shaun Hayden of Grade XI and Mehreen A Latheef of Grade IX I were declared the Best Players and CNItes Aditya Girish of Grade XI and Vasundhara S of Grade XI were the best Goal Keepers.



#### Wiggle Wobble Waddle: Let the Fun Run Wild

14 September 2023 witnessed the active little feet of KG in action on the tracks. They joyfully competed with each other in the Running Race, ZigZag Race and Hurdles Race. **Sprouting Stories** 

The pictures captured in the frames were brought to life by the tiny CNItes of KG2 on 29 September 2023. The activity was conducted as an opportunity for public speaking. The non-competitive event encouraged 100% participation. **Rhyming Rainbow** 

English Recitation Day on the theme 'Seasons' was held for the tiny tots of KG1 on 29 September 2023. They performed well and an appreciation certificate was given to each one for this activity in which 100% participation was encouraged. CNIS CHRONICLE - CHRIST NAGAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL 3

#### First All Kerala CNIS Trophy Basketball Tournament 2023-'24

First All Kerala CNIS Trophy Basketball Tournament 2023-'24 was conducted from 28 to 30 October 2023. It was inaugurated by International Basketball player, Ms. Geethu Anna Rahul. Apart from CNIS' own team, a total of six schools participated in the three-day event. At the end of a series of exciting matches which saw the gallery brimming with a chaotic symphony of shrieks and cheers, St. Ephrem's HSS, Mannanam garnered the Ever-Rolling Trophy. St Joseph's, Pulinkunnu bagged the Runner-Up Trophy. Four other schools showcased their brilliant performance, namely St. Joseph's, Trivandrum, Girideepam Bethany HSS, Kottayam, Infant Jesus School. Mavelikkara. and Lecole Chempaka International, Trivandrum. Jonathan Prince of St. Ephrems emerged as the Best Player and Ramanand of St Joseph's, Pulinkunn u, as the Promising Player. In the International Schools' competition, CNIS emerged winners in both boys' and girls' categories.

CNItes Evan George and Medha Gautam were declared the Best Players and Sree Prabhath of Infant Jesus and Srujanika Kapil Rao of Lecole Chempaka the Promising Players.



### The Kindergarten Showcase!

#### Let's Shake, Rattle, and Roll! (I Can Dance Day)

Kerala Piravi celebration sparkled brighter with the KG dance competition on the theme, Kerala. The entire school enjoyed the participants' cute dance moves on songs describing Kerala.



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#### The Creative Hub - The CNIS Clubs

**CNIMUN Club:** The CNIMUN Club participated in 3 Conferences this year, bagging a number of prizes in all the three.

CJCMUN 2023 was conducted on 21, 22 & 23 September 2023 at Christ University, Bangalore. CNItes Gowri S Menon of Gr ade XI and Bhamini S Neelamana of Gr X G were recognized with a Special Mention.

At LCIMUN 2023, organised by Lecole Chempaka International School, on 3 & 4 November 2023, CNIte Shaun Hayden of Gr XI bagged the Best Delegate award. CNIte Aditya Girish of Gr XI was declared the Best Journalist. CNIte Mohammed Allam of Gr XI got a Special Mention.

SCVMUN 2023 organized by Sarvodaya Central School was held on 6 & 7 November 2023. CNItes B Ashvath of Grade XII and Anagha H Nair of Grade XI were recognised with a Special Mention.



**IT Club**: The IT Club organized a two-day workshop on Arduino Robotics in collaboration with PNT Academy on 8 & 9 September 2023. The workshop aimed to provide club members with practical knowledge and hands-on experience in robotics using Arduino. On 15 September, selected Club members of Grades XI & XII, were taken on a campus visit to UST Global in Technopark, Trivandrum. They got to witness at close the workings of such a renowned multinational corporation, and the perks and challenges of pursuing such a career in the future.



### Kerala Piravi

CNItes of Grade VII conducted their assembly on the theme *Keralapiravi* on 1 November 2023. The colourful celebration upheld the spirit of the occasion. The skit spoke volumes of the importance of holding onto one's culture and roots. CNItes showcased their multifarious talents and respected Fr. Principal gave the message on Kerala Piravi. The dance competition of the Kindergarteners added festive colours to the occasion.

**Nature Club:** The activity of making nests and posters which started in Term 1 was completed on 8 September. The group activity was done in two rooms. The nests were placed at different locations in the school campus. The posters were displayed on the notice board.



**Maths Club:** The Club members met on 8 September to discuss the work submitted on the correlation of Mathematics with Dance, Art and Fashion Designing. The flash mob planned on Mathematical shapes was discussed and formulated the meeting.

**Space Club:** Space Costume Fashion Show was conducted by the Space Club members on 8 September. Evolution of space costume through time was displayed by the students. The activity was conducted team wise where one student was the model and other member explained the significance of each part of the space costume. A three-day Rocketry Workshop was organised by IIST Valiamalla from 23 to 25 September, in which CNItes of Space Club were able to interact with famous space scientists who explained the designing and assembly of small-scale rockets.



**A Praiseworthy Moment** 



CNIte Jiya Janil of Grade VIII I, a proud member of CNIS Space Club, won the third position in the Drawing & Painting competition held as part of India Space Week, on 19 August 2023. This was an All India level Competition. CNIte Jiya will receive a certificate and a cash prize of Rs. 2500/-.



### **Annual Educational Fair, Aurora 2023**

The theme "Light" was well explored by the CNItes of KG - Grade IX. They had chosen a topic befitting the sub theme of their class and spent time on the exhibit preparation and oral presentation. On 18 November 2023, CNItes turned the school into a mega exhibition with their displays. Super Star Performers and Star Performers were chosen on the basis of the evaluation. The decoration of the classes was also evaluated. The opening ceremony was graced by the presence of guests Dr Anitha Prabhakaran, Senior Consultant of Pediatric Ophthalmology, Precise Speciality Eye Care and Ms Kripa Suresh, acclaimed photographer of Sony Youth World Awards and former CNIte. They highlighted the importance of light for vision & photography, respectively, in their talks. The special attraction of the day was Dreamscape: The play of lights, a live show, set up by the senior CNItes of Grade XII, which witnessed a good crowd and thereby a decent amount was collected for charity. Grade XI came forward as the coordinators of the Inter-school Quiz Competition based on the theme. An Inter-school Exhibit & Oral Presentation competition was also part of the fair in which participants from Sainik School, Kazhakootam, St. Thomas Public School, Kazhakootam, Christ Nagar Public School, Attingal, Christ Nagar Schools (State & CBSE), Kowdiar, engaged well in the competitions.





## **Children's Day**

The ambience in Christ Nagar International School was ecstatic on 14 November 2023, as the tiny tots of the Kindergarten and Grade I came together to celebrate Children's Day. The special assembly aimed at bringing out the concept 'Children mean happiness'. The event commenced with an introduction and the whole school welcomed the guest of the day, Pandit Jawarharlal Nehru (CNIte Devesh Lal S). A motley chain of entertainment programmes were arranged for making the environment fun filled. The highlight was the fashion show in which the little ones of KG walked the ramp. The assembly also witnessed the inauguration of the Reading Programme and the prize distribution of the previous events. It was, on the whole, an entertaining day for the children, teachers as well as parents.



## Artwise 2023

The Inter School Art Contest, Artwise, organised annually by CNIS was held on 4 November. 349 students from 23 different schools enthusiastically participated in the contest. The results were declared and the prizes were distributed for all categories by Fr. Principal and Section Heads, Ms. K.Preeti and Ms. Pallavi Singh. The Valedictory was made memorable by the violin and flute recital by CNIte Riya and Mr Anish. Christ Nagar Higher Secondary School, Kowdiar, bagged the title of the Overall Winner. The 1st Runner Up was Lecole Chempaka Silver Rocks.



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#### **Principal's Day**

Principal's Day, celebrating our Fr. Principal's birthday, commenced with an assembly where students from all grades presented cards to him. The Student Council planned a surprise segment with a poem recital by CNIte Anagha H Nair, a musical performance by the CNItes and a kung fu display by CNIte Joel George. The entire school extended their heartfelt wishes to Father on this special occasion. In the latter part of the day, the CNIS teaching and non-teaching staff organized an unforgettable get together for Fr. Principal. He was fondly showered with gifts, followed by a cake-cutting ceremony. Father expressed gratitude to the staff and students for creating a truly memorable day for him.



#### A Break from Books and a Boost for Learning

Amid the heaviness of tests, assignments and the constant pressure to excel, a sprinkle of leisure can work wonders. CNIS arranged leisure trips for the CNItes, in November, to break free from class rooms, explore new environments and bond with their peers. The Kindergarteners and CNItes of Grades I & II explored the hidden wonders of Playaza at Mall of Tavancore, while those of Grades III to VI visited the Planetarium and engaged in leisure activities at Funtura, Lulu Mall, on 10 November. The older CNItes of Grades VII to IX were taken on a three-day fun trip to Wayanad and Wonderla, Kochi, from 8 to 11 November.



#### **The Shining Stars!**

A thunderous applause to our phenomenal students, who have recently brought immense pride to our school community by their highly lauded victory in external competitions!



CNItes Bhamini S Neelamana and Mili Anne Jacob of Grade X G won the First Position in the Inter School Quiz competition organized as part of the Annual Science Fair of Christ Nagar Central School, Trivandrum, on 9 November 2023.

CNItes Mohammed Allam, Aditya Girish and Romit Nair of Grade XI bagged the first three positions at the school level in the quiz organized as part of Manorama Vayanolsavam, Read and Win, Powered by Santa Monica Study Abroad Pvt. Ltd., on 13 November.





CNItes Anagha H Nair and Anna Thomas of Grade XI got the Second Position in the Inter School Quiz competition held at Christ Nagar Higher Secondary School, Trivandrum, as part of the Chavara Fest, on 17 November.

CNItes Manha Mehrish P of Grade III G and Lekshmi Priya of Grade V G participated in the 38<sup>th</sup> District Level Yogasana Championship conducted by the Trivandrum District Yoga Sports Association on 29 October 2023 and got selected to the State Level conducted by Kerala Yoga Association.





CNItes Mehreen Latheef of Grade IX I and Rithanya S of Grade VI I secured the Third Position in their respective categories in the All Kerala Chavara Inter School Drawing & Painting Competition, *ARTERIA*, hosted by Christ Nagar Public School, Attingal, on 25 November 2023.

CNItes Samrdhi Sampath and Aparna Nambiar of Grade IX I bagged the First Position in the Inter School Quiz Competition held at Santhigiri Vidyabhavan Senior Secondary School, Pothencode, on 30 November.



## Buon Natale 2023 CNIS Annual Day with the Joy of Christmas



The 20 th Annual Day of CNIS embraced Christmas cheer and the pursuit of happiness on 8 December 2023. The celebrations got kickstarted in a solemn ceremony with traditional candle lighting and cutting of the ceremonial cake, performed by the Chief Guest, His Excellency the Most Revered Mar Thomas Tharayil, Auxiliary Bishop, Archdiocese of Changanassery. His Excellency was joined by Rev. Fr. Paul Mangad CMI, Our Honourable Manager, Rev. Fr. Joseph Vattaparampil CMI, our former Manager, Rev. Fr. Jimmy Moolayil CMI, Principal of Christ Nagar State School, Rev. Fr. Robin Anandakattu CMI, Rev. Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI, our Principal, Rev. Fr. Robin Pathinarilchira CMI, our Bursar &Vice Principal and Rev. Fr. Tinson, Secretary to His Excellency.

A vibrant atmosphere filled the air as the Annual Day celebration unfolded, seamlessly blending the pursuit of happiness with the festive spirit of Christmas. The theme, 'Land of Happiness' resonated throughout the event, reflected in the colourful dances, thought-provoking skits, and joyous carol renditions. The angels gave way to the Nativity Play orchestrated by the parents of the CNIS family and was truly a sight to behold. The birth of Jesus Christ was celebrated in the land of happiness, and Santa Claus emerged with a touch of Christmas magic.



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### **Community Service**

On 16 December, students of Grade VIII visited Santhwana Rehabilitation centre at Puthenthope, Trivandrum, which works on the rehabilitation of the destitute facing psychological issues. The CNItes came up with a fun filled entertainment programme for the inmates, interacting and playing games with them. They distributed cakes and spent a fruitful day with them. They also contributed biscuits, cookies and cleaning essentials.



As part of our community outreach programme, CNItes of Grade IX visited to St. Benedict Menni Psychosocial Rehabilitation Centre, a women's mental health rehabilitation centre at Menamkulam. The children prepared an entertainment programme to engage the inmates. They enthralled them with their dance and music. Fr. Principal handed over a cheque. A fulfilling mid-day meal also was provided.



# **Merry Christmas!**

The school opened its doors to yet another round of exciting Christmas programmes on 22 December, featuring a Carol Singing Comp etition for students from Grades I to XII. Each group delivered a flawless performance of carols under the guidance of teachers. Adding to the enjoyment, both teaching and non-teaching staff participated by singing carols. The festivities continued with class gift exchanges and small Christmas parties in each class. The teaching and non-teaching staff also had their own Christmas programme, including gift exchange and carolling. *CNIS Chronicle*, Christmas Edition, was released by Fr. Principal on the occasion. The school closed for the Christmas vacation on a memorable note.





