News from the PYP Block

November 2023



PYP Indus Day

Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success. - Henry Ford

PYP Indus Day is a platform for students across PYP to showcase their skills and talents across the Performing Arts. Students and teachers collaborate and work together, preparing to showcase our students' journey of learning through Music, Dance and Drama.

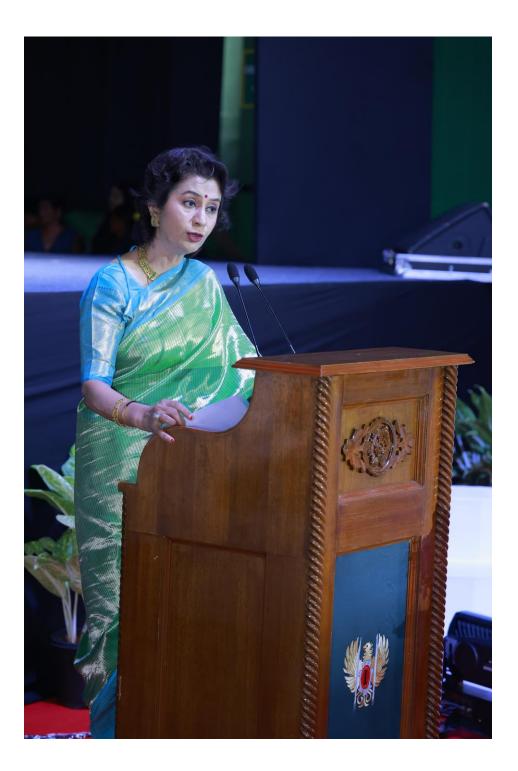
Our students from Early Years to Grade 1 performed an Indus adaptation of the story 'The Adventure of Jatin's Magical Shoes' about the importance of practice, hard work and commitment. The Indus adaptation of Disney's Encanto, performed by the students of Grades 2 and 3, highlighted the importance of family, hope, self-belief, and forgiveness. Jonathan Livingston Seagull by Richard Bach, adapted by our drama team was presented by the students of Grades 4 and 5 which depicted the pursuit of excellence.

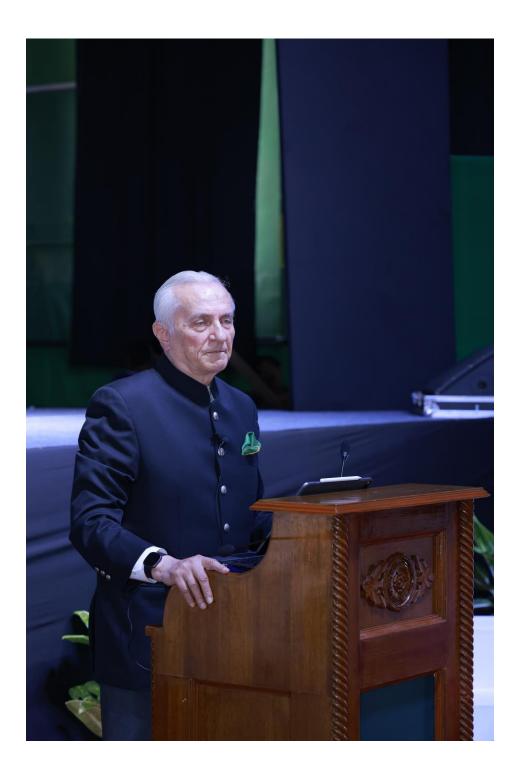
The dances, choir, and concert band added colour to the plays. It was wonderful to witness our students work together as a team. We thank our parents for participating in the event and encouraging our students.

















































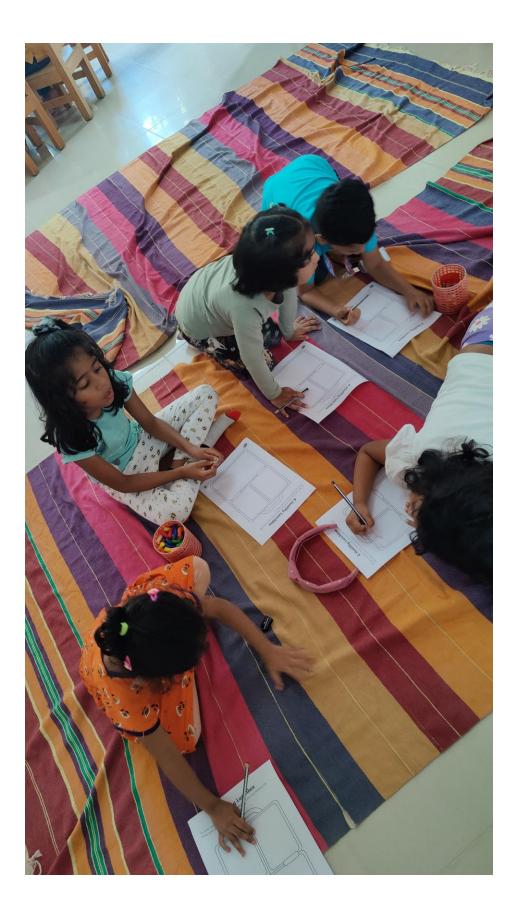
Prep 2 - Sharing the Planet - Guest Lecture

In connection with the Unit of Inquiry, 'Sharing the Planet' with the central idea 'All living things depend on food as a shared resource'. Prep 2 students have been delving into the importance of eating healthily and maintaining hygiene. As part of their learning journey, we were privileged to have Dr. Jyoti, engage with our young learners. The interactive session began with the importance of each food group and sharing the in which students can maintain hygiene. She then introduced them to the significance of the food pyramid, explain its importance in creating a balanced and nutritious meal plan for themselves. She stressed the importance of incorporating a variety of foods from different food groups, emphasizing the concept of a "rainbow diet." This approach ensures that students receive essential nutrients from a wide range of sources. Dr. Jyoti concluded the session by reinforcing the importance of hydration for maintaining overall well-being. The session was truly enriching for the students as it enhanced their understanding of the importance of healthy eating and hygiene.

















Prep 2 - Field Trip to the Local Farm

Prep 2 students visited the local farms to inquire into the Transdisciplinary Theme 'Sharing the Planet', with the central idea - All living things depend on food as a shared resource. This trip offered the students a first-hand experience of how farming is done, and they were also able to see different varieties of vegetables and fruits. Throughout the visit, our young learners experienced "AHA moments," where they discovered the different sources of food and gained insights into the substantial effort and time invested in the cultivation and harvesting the produce. They also understood the importance of reducing food wastage as food is a limited resource and is shared amongst all living things. The sight of different farm animals added an element of thrill and the fresh fruits they received as a takeaway from the farms added an extra layer of excitement to their learning experience. Our young learners are currently growing Fenugreek seeds in coconut shells at school as a sustainable project.











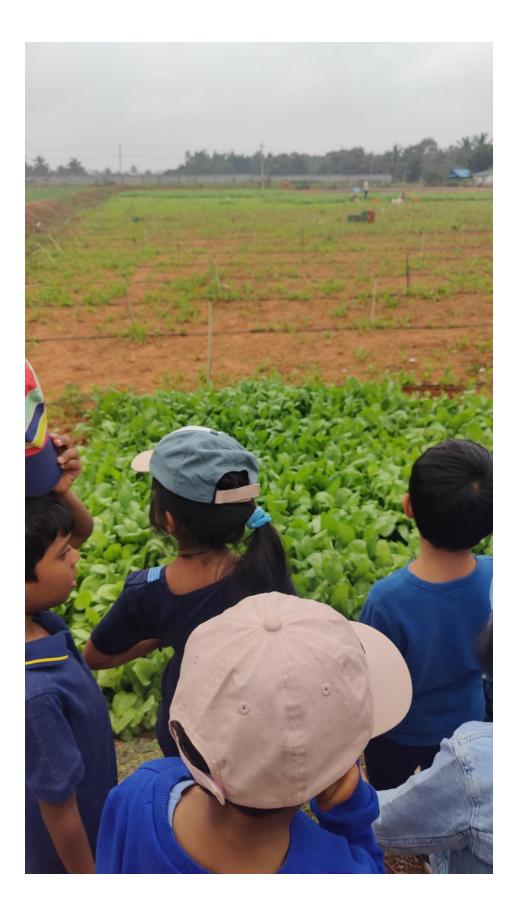














































Regional Equestrian League 2023

Regional Equestrian League (REL) was held at ARPA, ASC Centre & College, Bangalore from 15 September to 17 September 2023. Students from Indus International School, Bangalore participated in the event and won various positions including qualifying for the Nationals. We congratulate our students.

Participants and Achievements

Samarth Sreeharsha, Grade 3 won Silver in the Children 2 Category Dressage.

Eera Sreeharsha, Grade 5 won Bronze in the Children 2 Category Dressage. She also placed 2nd in the regionals, qualifying for the Nationals.





3 Way Conference

The three-way conference was held on 17th November. It was an opportunity for parents, students, and teachers to reflect on student progress, set goals and discuss the way ahead. We are grateful to all the parents for attending the conference.















Innovation Curriculum

Students engaged in a thoughtful exploration through Deep Reading reflections this month. They reflected on the books read and shared their learning. They delved into the concept of Tikkun Olam, emphasizing the idea of repairing the world and making it a better place. They reviewed their goals and planned their actions. Students have begun to share evidence of the process of their learning.

















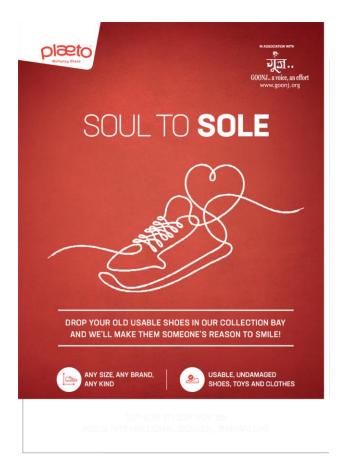
Shoe Drive

At Indus International School, we have always been dedicated to making a positive impact on the lives of our students and the community we serve. We are excited to introduce a special initiative that gives us the opportunity to make a meaningful difference.

In collaboration with the esteemed NGO Goonj and Plaeto (a footwear startup based in Bangalore), we are proud to present "Sole to Soul," a take-back program with a heartfelt mission. Goonj, the NGO is working with Plaeto to channelize used and spare resources from urban areas of our country to rural areas, mindfully awarding them to people in need, in exchange for participation in community development activities.

Plaeto, in association with Goonj, will ensure that all the collectibles are refurbished and find their way to communities that need them. By participating in "Sole to Soul," you are not only decluttering your homes, but also adding a chapter to someone else's story. This simple act of kindness reflects the values we hold dear at Indus.

If interested, PYP students can drop off their old, usable shoes of any size, in our collection bay.



Professional Learning Goals





"Learning never exhausts the mind." — Leonardo da Vinci

As life long learners, teachers are also learning to set goals, giving them a sense of direction for the year. They have set goals which are based on the their grade-specific qualitative and quantitative assessment data.

Please Note: The 1st round for G3 ACER and the 2nd round for G4&5 was conducted in the month of November. G3-5 parents, we hope you were able to access the results which are available on the individual student account. Please reach out to respective grade teachers if you require any support in the same.

Important Dates

11th December- PYP Sports Heats (G1 - G3) 09:00 am - 03:00 pm 12th December - PYP Sports Heats (G4 & 5) 09:00 am - 03:00 pm 14th December- PYP Sports Day (EY - G5)
09:00 am - 12:30 pm
16th December to 2nd Jan 2024- Winter Break
3rd January- School reopens after Winter Break

We are Communicators

For information on the philosophy of the programme and curriculum related information, kindly visit the school learning management system Toddle and ERP School Element. In case of login issues, please write to erpsupport@indusschool.com with a copy to pyp.hos@indusschool.com and pyp.coordinator@indusschool.com and



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