

Communique

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INTERHOUSE PANEL DISCUSSION ON UN SUSTAINABLE GOAL



Our first inter-house panel discussion of the new academic year was held on 29th July 2022. We explored the importance of SDGs and how they need to play a stronger role in the inclusion of culture in development. The panelists discussed about how SDGs have been specifically created to draw attention towards some of the biggest environmental challenges today and how they deal with human issues such as poverty, inequality, economic growth and injustice. All the panelists participated enthusiastically and indulged in a healthy competition to help their respective house. Finally, Orion house bagged the 1st place followed by Hercules and Pegasus. We look forward to many more enriching and productive discussions to work towards the betterment of our society and the planet.

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RAHI SAMANT - GRADE 7

NOTEBOOK DONATION DRIVE



It is time to give something back to the society! Recently, IAIS collaborated with Aequs foundation to start a notebook donation drive. At Indus Altum we believe in the power of servant leadership and working locally towards the betterment of our society. Donating notebooks to the kids in need can really help them with the required resources to make optimum use of their education. We thank our young eagles and their generosity in bringing a difference in someone's life, as these small initiatives can bring a larger impact. After all, Indus Altum Eagles stand for love and empathy.

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EVERYONE IS A HERO @ INDEPENDENCE DAY



This month we celebrated India's 75th Independence Day. This Independence Day was special because I got to celebrate it with my friends at Indus Altum International School. We always celebrate our nation's heroes. But this Independence Day, we celebrated the heroes around us because small heroic acts of kindness are shown by everyone around us. Dr Praseedha narrated everyone a story, and the moral was 'practice what you preach'. I along with some other students were given the opportunity to talk about the unsung heroes of our school. My real-life hero is Samina didi who is my bus attendant. She helps me get into the bus safely and always helps me with my belongings. She is kind and sweet. I handed her a rose to appreciate what she does for me. I was delighted to participate in this because I learnt that heroes can be found everywhere around us and that we must learn to appreciate them. It was truly an unforgettable day!

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PIA KARALING, GRADE 3

PLACEMENT COUNSELLING

Guiding our students towards their right career destination is one of our salient features. We have commenced our Placement Counselling for our Grade 9 and 11 students. Parents of Grade 9 & 11 attended the session along with their wards on 5th Aug 2022.

The Placement Counselling covered areas like:

- The Why & How of Higher Education
- How can students improve their employability.
- How Careers are changing
- Intangible Attributes

Action Plan for the Academic Year 2022

- Importance of Portfolio building

We look forward to Upcoming Sessions:

- Subject Selection Support
- One on one session for Grade 11 (AS Level) Students
- University Application Support.

Thank you Mr Vinil Kumar, Head of College Counselling & Placements, Indus International School Bangalore for the counselling sessions!

PLACEMENT COUNSELLING

Indus Altum is launching placement counselling for Grade 9 & 11 students from August 2022

MR. VINIL KUMAR
Head of College Counselling and Placements
Indus International School, Bangalore

Action plan for the AY 2022-23
 Portfolio Building

One on one sessions for grade 11 students.
 University Application support

SESSION BY STARTUP YOU

StartupYou prepares students to become lifelong learners and future-ready, a future we do not know, a future that is becoming increasingly volatile, uncertain, complex, and full of ambiguity. Hence it focuses on developing students' 21st competencies to be life-ready, future-ready and market-ready. The team at StartupYou conducted an orientation about their program on the 20th of July 2022 for the parents of Grade 7,8, 9 and AS-Level students. The first batch started on the 4th of August. Students have found the sessions very informative and helpful.

OUR STUDENTS SPEAK

New Year's Eve



A fleeting, misty cloud of vapor came from my mouth when I shivered as I headed towards the chaotic crowd. The sky was pitch black, but the radiance of the nightlife completely took over. London never goes to sleep on New Year's Eve! The chilly winter air carried the sweet warm scent of pudding, pies, and celebration. The desolate sky swept over the hullabaloo, waiting to be decked up by the illuminating firework display. I held a large cup of rich, aromatic hot chocolate from the café on the opposite block. The steam coming from the thick drink warmed up the frozen tip of my nose. It reminded me of the wintery Christmas mornings when granny used to make us all hot chocolate in the mugs we got in our stockings. Oh, what a feeling worth reminiscing about!

The excitement escalated as the countdown approached 12:49. It was almost time. A group of rebellious almost adults partied like no other. I distinctly remember a cluster of kids from an enormous joint family, singing in chorus. My hot chocolate was almost over, and the crowd had doubled. The kids were as energized as the fairy lights. Restaurants and café stalls were closing, and the employees were filtering out into the herd. None of my family ever comes to celebrate New Year's Eve in London. They don't get the point a get together for a 'bunch of silly fireworks'! It IS worth it though!

12:59. The countdown began. Hope and anticipation welled up in toddlers' eyes. "60! 59!" I moved closer to the edge of the river as a kid brushed past me. The river reflected the glowing decorations eliminating the fact that the water was like a black hole. "28! 27!" I hugged my empty cup while it was still a little warm. I tugged my beige, woolen, pom-pom hat over my forehead, just enough so I could see. "4! 3! 2! 1!"

BOOM! Bliss and new beginnings soaring to the sky!

SHIVALI ANTIN, GRADE 9

OUR PARENTS SPEAK

The search for a new school, for my son ended when I found Indus Altum. As a parent in this time and era of transition, I was searching for a space where my son could find a balance that would bridge the two worlds, his and mine.

Living in Goa has taught me to value community, and the need to be conscious of the world around me. Be it neighbors, plants, animals or rivers and lakes.

My first meeting with the coordinator and the admin team, Ms. Shubhra and Mr. Konark revealed the likeness in these aspects. The Indus outreach programs were a game changer for my decision. The emphasis on raising a full rounded compassionate young adult, who will be key to building a New Earth gives me the most hope.

Meeting the school team at the orientation validated my hope. I find the teachers to be quite grounded, real and polite.

It's just the beginning of a journey and I am looking forward to seeing and being a part of it.

ANUTAARA D'COSTA
MOTHER OF ASHR D'COSTA- GRADE 6

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS

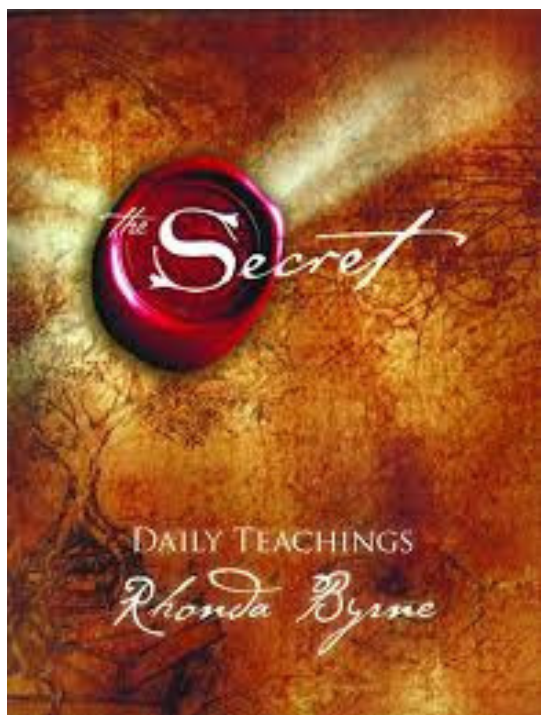


Indus Altum recently started with its first ever after school sports for Basketball, Badminton and Tennis, under the guidance of well-trained trainers. We have both indoor and outdoor activities.

"After school sports has made me physically active and helped me build my stamina. I really enjoy playing one of my favorite sports at school, in one of the most well-equipped and well-maintained tennis courts in Belgaum"

SANVI SAHUKA - GRADE 4

THE INDUS ALTUM BOOKMARK



THE BOOK THAT WE RECOMMEND THIS MONTH IS

'The Secret' by 'Rhonda Byrne'

'The Secret' leads us toward achieving anything we put our minds to.

I felt that The Secret gives a generous amount of motivation to those who wish to achieve anything, whether small or big. If you want a dose of motivation, this book is next to perfect. It urges us to maintain a goal-oriented mindset as it revolves around the idea that you attract whatever you focus your energy and thoughts on.

This book also shares some insights and effective strategies that can be put to use. The best thing about the book, according to me, is that it is full of real life examples that make it easy for us to understand. The examples are quite relatable as well.

Ms Archana Kakani - Science Facilitator - Primary