

### Calcutta Public School, Barasat

Annual Newsletter 2024 ~ The year at a glimpse



#### From the Principal's Desk:

#### Greetings to my dear students, parents and guardians!

2024 has been an exceptional year for Calcutta Public School, Barasat. So, for the first time ever, we present to you our Annual Newsletter through which we aim to relive the highlights of the year gone by. As a community, this year we have strived to achieve impeccable feats and truly made our presence felt in the educational landscape of Kolkata. This has been a year of many firsts and I'm immensely proud of our students for putting their best foot forward in every sphere, making our vision of 360° education come alive. Join us on this incredible walk down memory lane as we delve into our achievements this past year. A very Happy New Year to one and all!





#### **5TH FOUNDATION DAY**

was celebrated on 9th April, 2024



#### **CHARISMA CONCERT**

celebrating 30 years of excellence was staged on 6th October, 2024



# AI & Robotics was introduced for students of classes III to IX to empower them to excel in a rapidly changing world.



On-Campus
Counselling
was made available
in order to prioritise
the mental health of
our students.



Child Safety Workshop was organised to raise awareness about safe and unsafe touch.

#### Faculty & Management Training

Our Principal and faculty members attended various conferences and workshops this year as we believe that learning never ceases.

On 23rd July, 2024, all the Principals of CISCE affiliated schools in the West Bengal and North-East region met with Dr. G. Immanuel, Chairman, CISCE and Dr. Joseph Emmanuel, the newly appointed Chief Executive and Secretary, CISCE. Our Principal, Ms. Abhilasha Das, was in attendance and had the opportunity to personally interact with the esteemed speakers about the National Education Policy 2020 and the way forward for CISCE schools in an ever-changing modern world.



Principals with Dr. G Immanuel, Chairman, CISCE New Delhi



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#### ASISC 67th Annual National Conference on "Leaders for Transformative Learning"

The conference held in Bhubaneswar from 27th to 29th November, 2024 united principals from 2000 CISCE schools across India under one roof. The chief guests were eminent personalities such as Shri Sanjay Kumar, Secretary, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India; Shri Manoj Ahuja, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Odisha and Justice Kurian Joseph who gave their valuable insights on how school Principals have the unique power of shaping the citizens of tomorrow and how our nation's policy-makers can support us in this vision of bringing about transformation in learning.

#### **EXPERIENTIAL TEACHING WORKSHOP**

On 27th April, 2024, the experiential teaching workshop for mathematics and science teachers was designed to provide hands-on, interactive strategies for engaging students. Teachers explored innovative approaches to teaching complex concepts through real-world applications, collaborative problem-solving, and the use of technology. The focus was on fostering a deeper understanding of how to make abstract topics more accessible, encouraging critical thinking and curiosity in students. Teachers left with practical tools and resources to create dynamic, inquiry-based learning environments in their classes.



## Faculty & Management Training

- 31st August, 2024: Teachers of the Pre-Primary Department attended a workshop on "The Absorbent Mind" led by Mrs. Sanjana Vakharia, Director of Mongrace Montessori House.
- 23rd- 24th September, 2024: Ms. Abira Saha attended the CISCE Teacher Training Sessions for teaching Geography at the ICSE level.
- 23rd November, 2024: Ms. Asmita Singh attended a workshop on "English Language Teaching" organised by Madhubun and led by eminent educationists, Mrs. Hilda Peacock and Ms. Radhika Bagadthey.
- 30th November, 2024: Ms. Asmita Singh attended the Oxford University Press workshop for English teachers.
- 15th December, 2024: Ms. Sanchita Chakraborty and Ms. Bhabna Bangabas attended the "School Excellence Program" seminar by TeachmintX for members of school administration.









#### AN HONOUR FOR OUR PRINCIPAL

On 13th July, 2024, our Principal, Ms. Abhilasha Das, was invited as the Guest of Honour for the Prize Distribution and Investiture Ceremony 2024 of Delhi Public School, Barasat. Ms. Das had the immense honour of addressing the gathering on this momentous occasion, bestowing the prestigious badges to the school leaders and awarding prizes to all the winners.





Angira Roy, winner of Dadagiri

- 3rd October, 2024: Akshadeep Moitra (Class VI) was the 1st Runner Up in Hindi Elocution while Snehal Chowdhury (Class VII) was the 2nd Runner Up in English Elocution at Ikigai Literary Fest, Douglas Memorial Higher Secondary School.
- 18th November, 2024: Tabashmi Mandal (Class VIII) won the 2nd Runner Up award in Relief Work with Clay, Prakriti Das (Class IX) won the 2nd Runner Up award in Face Painting and the Dance Team won the 2nd Runner Up award in Semi-Classical Dance at Saviskar Fest, Douglas Memorial Higher Secondary School.

#### **Awards and Accolades**

This year, our students represented the school at various regional and inter-school events where they showcased their remarkable talents. Our champions made us incredibly proud by bringing back laurels for the school.

- 21st April, 2024: Angira Roy (Class II-A) won Dadagiri Unlimited Season 10.
- 9th May, 2024: Snehal Chowdhury (Class VII) emerged as 2nd Runner Up at the IIHM Young Chef Junior India Schools Competition.
- 10th August, 2024: Md. Aryan (Class VII) was the 2nd Runner Up in Spellathon at Emblazon Literary Fest, Aditya Academy.



Snehal Chowdhury, 2nd Runner Up of IIHM Young Chef Junior India Schools

#### THE TELEGRAPH SCHOOL AWARDS, 2024

On 10th August, 2024 Calcutta Public School, Barasat was honoured with three awards at the prestigious Telegraph School Awards for Excellence 2024:

- 1. Excellence in Maintenance & Eco-Friendly Initiatives.
- 2. Excellence in Extra-Curricular Activities
- 3. Excellence in Social Service



#### There's A First Time For Everything!

This year, Calcutta Public School, Barasat integrated a number of new events and initiatives to enhance its repertoire of holistic education for all.



#### A visit to our special friends:

Our students and teachers visited Jagori, a school for children with disabilities to spend some quality time with the students there. We also donated all the proceeds of our charity fete to the school in the form of useful learning materials and equipment.



#### **On-campus RJ hunt:**

RJ Arvind from Radio One graced our campus this year for the Junior RJ Hunt. The competition was enjoyed by everyone and our winning students had the incredible opportunity of featuring on air for a live radio programme.

#### Having fun for a cause:

2024 began with our first ever charity fete "Kolkata Jamboree" featuring delectable food stalls, exciting games, tattoos, selfie corner, music, dance and lots more. It was a wonderful day of laughter, bonding and making beautiful memories.



#### A spectacular celebration:

Calcutta Public Schools celebrated 30 Years of Excellence this year with a mesmerising concert at the impressive Science City Auditorium. "Durga Dhwani- A Saga of Homecoming" presented by our students was one of the highlights of the show.



#### **Our Well-Wishers**



#### Mrs. Hilda Peacock

The eminent educationist, award-winning English teacher, author and former Principal of La Martiniere for Girls, Kolkata was the esteemed Chief Guest at the Prize Distribution Ceremony held on 22nd June, 2024.

#### Mr. Syed Rahim Nabi

The renowned former Indian National Team Footballer was the honourable Chief Guest at the Annual Sports Meet of Calcutta Public School, Barasat held on 19th December, 2024.





#### Mr. Alvito D'Cunha

The iconic footballer and former member of the Indian National Team was the respected Chief Guest at the Annual Inter-School Sports Meet of Calcutta Public Schools held on 21st December, 2024.