

Campus News

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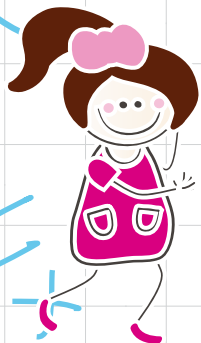


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SPELL BEE

Building up words from letters



"One forgets words as one forgets names. One's vocabulary needs constant fertilizing or it will die."

Drop by drop, they say, a sea is created and letter by letter, the words. This becomes the building block of the eventual power to express. Cambridge International School, Phagwara organized Spell Bee to enhance the vocabulary of the students. The participants ranged from Grade VI up to Grade X, with each grade, the words turning more profound. The procedure with which it was conducted was that Spell Bee was made an amalgamation of two rounds. The first round was an oral round and provided an opportunity to target every child. Thus, it was made compulsory for each child to be a part of this competition. After encouraging each student with a touch of competition, winners were sorted. Giving it a certain complexity and twist, the second round was performed in writing. This touched all aspects of language learning in one single competition. The children memorized, built confidence of oral pronunciations and expressed in writing. With a suitable-to-age list of thirty well-sought words, the students were challenged so that they could brainstorm and win. The winners were commemorated with certificates and badges. **Students were very happy as their vocabulary was enriched with various new words. It was a healthy and fruitful competition. They could learn new meanings of words as well as of the world which those words connect to.**



SOLO DANCE COMPETITION



"Dance is the hidden language of the soul"

The innocent and vibrant soul of little Kindergarteners brightened up depicting their lusciousness in face, attire and demeanor. In Cambridge International School, Phagwara Solo Dance Competition was organized for these little Kindergarteners. All the little feet were in full swing and danced on different themes that suited their taste and talent. Kids performed and expressed their talent through Western themes, Punjabi Folk themes and Patriotic themes. They all performed enthusiastically in the competition.

Parents were also invited for the competition to cheer and boost up the confidence of their child while performing on the stage. It was a gala time for the kids, who got a stage performance arranged for them, and parents, to see their little dancing stars.

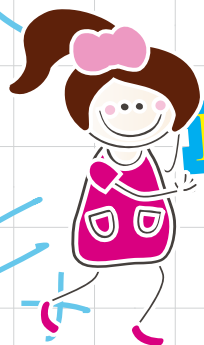
The students had a strong support of their teachers who did their level best to enhance the talents, put shy feet of the dance floor and give direction to the one who had that spark. With fervor in mind that, "I am the Dance Teacher", the teachers took it as a thankful event when they realized that they got an, "opportunity to pass on their passion for the art of Dance."

Such competitions in the school are an excellent platform for the budding artists. On the whole the competition rose to its grandeur with the heart throbbing performances by little hearts of kindergarten. It was like filling the air with the freshness and life that a little child holds.



An exciting self-development program, The Duke of Edinburgh Award, popularly known as International Award for Young People (IAYP) was started in 1956. The students aged 14 to 25, exhibit their talent at various levels based on their ability for an all-round development. **The four core areas are Service, Adventure Journey, Skills and Physical Recreation.** Based on their performance for 6, 12 or 18 months, the award is set in three levels, bronze, silver and gold respectively. The motives behind this prestigious award are manifold. It helps in development in areas of service, self, courage, behavior, talent and performance. Cambridge International School is running this award from past four years and it shows participants ability, focus and determination to achieve their set goals and pursue them with passion, perseverance and single-minded devotion to the purpose. **This year two of our school students Madhav Gupta & Gurkaran Singh have added another golden feather in CIS Phagwara's hat by achieving Gold Award.** Principal, Mr Jorawar Singh congratulated them for their commendable achievement and accompanied the boys to the Gold Award ceremony which was organized on 14th July 2016 at the India International Centre, New Delhi. The National Award Authority (NAA) took immense pride in felicitating the Gold Award Holders. Mr Abbas Ali Baig, former cricketer, Indian team as the Chief Guest, graced the occasion with his presence. The Award has a presence in more than 143 countries and over 8 million young people worldwide have taken up the Award challenge so far. This Award helps young people to achieve their potential and develop into responsible citizens.

IAYP – A Challenge For All Young People





Summer Camp



"Every morning I wake up thinking I'm one day closer to camp." -Unknown

Isn't it what each student waits eagerly for? May begins and summer camp is on the minds. There is a lot to learn, there is a lot of fun. Students come to school in these days with a changed frame-of-mind and recharged energy packs. Cambridge International School organized summer classes for students of varied interests.

With the availability of suitable resources, each area of interest was touched. It was a three-day joyous-journey for all the students of the school which resulted in enhanced talents. **Indoor and outdoor activities were targeted.** Perfectionists of each field trained the students in fields like Fun-with-Science, Art and Craft, Calligraphy, Best out of waste, Rubik Cube, and much more. Games like Mini Basketball, Skating, Volleyball, Badminton, Table Tennis were yet another perks offered to kids. The little age group was also involved in the activities like playing on Chess Board and Carom Board too. Their faculties were sharpened through these activities. To rejuvenate the kids, yoga was also introduced with experts' supervision.

A major attraction for all the budding chefs was the Salad Decoration and Presentation. The Laying of the Table with the perfect etiquette was taught. Exquisite designs were carved out of these vegetables and perfect layout was taught. The teachers worked hard to make the little hands work to perfection.



Not just that, the budding actors, who have that acting and performing instinct in them were also given a chance to let their talent out. Hindi and English Theater was another area of activity in the summer camp of this school. Dance was also taught to the ones who opted for it.

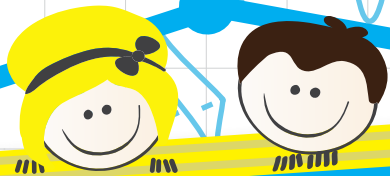
Pursuers of art and craft learned how to make Texture Sheets and do Calligraphy, Object Painting, Making Lamps, and Best-out-of-waste. The teachers' work was much appreciated when Yoga acted as a fruit for their hard work. It worked as rejuvenation. Teachers participated in it enthusiastically to gather more positive energy to impart the same to their students.

Summer Camps in this way become vents for the hidden and unexplored talents of the growing children. The teachers also showed keen participation in making their students learn.

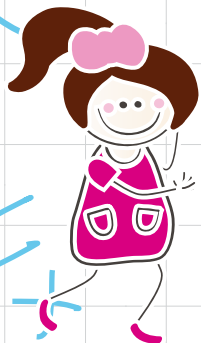
The following clearly speaks a student's experience after the summer camp ended: "Someone just asked me what my favorite thing about camp is. I can only think of one thousand answers... and even more."

Summer Camp





THE HINDI SPELLATHON



"When our spelling is perfect, it's invisible. But when it's flawed, it prompts strong negative associations."

Thus, to radiate positivity is the aim and target of Cambridge International School, Phagwara. It wants its students to be the perfect specimens of talent and accuracy. **One aspect touched for this was the organization of HINDI SPELLATHON to enhance the vocabulary of the students.**

Language has a great role to play. It expresses a person's feelings through written as well as spoken mediums. All the students of classes 6 to 8 participated in this spellathon with the sole target to excel. Spellathon was an amalgamation of two rounds. The first round was a written round and it was mandatory for all. Qualifying students stepped ahead for the second round. It was also a written round. Giving it a certain complexity and twist, the second round was performed in writing. This touched all aspects of language learning in one single competition. The children memorized, built confidence of oral pronunciations and expressed in writing. With a suitable-to-age list of thirty well-sought words, the students were challenged so that they could brainstorm and win. **The winners were commemorated with certificates and badges. The students, who were able to write all thirty spellings correctly, were declared as winners. Students were very happy as their vocabulary was enriched with various new words. It was a healthy and fruitful competition.**