

THE PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents,

I bring greetings from Candor International School!

It is amazing that we have completed one semester of school. Four months have just flown by! We are pleased that Candor has been accepted as an IBDP Candidate School and we are now pursuing Authorization.

We also had many visitors who spent time looking around the school to discover how we deliver our educational programmes. Edward H. Meyer - Dean of College of Mount Saint Vincent was one of our visitors this

quarter. We also had Bryan Plymale and his wife Isabel and their little daughter Danielle visiting us on their way to the US and Spain. They had been former colleagues from Kodaikanal International School.

Another visitor was Mr. Vinayak Sudhakar, from the IGCSE who spent one Saturday with us.

So we have had quite a packed quarter with a lot happening as you will see from the pictures in this newsletter.





Diwali Celebration

Diwali was celebrated with a special extended assembly followed by an Inter-house Rangoli competition. In keeping with our eco-friendly emphasis the Rangoli designs were created from flower petals.



Eid Celebration

Just before Id we had Mr. Shakeel who gave the school a very interesting and informative talk about the history behind the celebration of Id at a special assembly. It was especially interesting for

Grade 6 who immediately saw the similarities with Judaism that they were studying at the time.



Halloween and Thanksgiving Presentation

Presentations were made about Halloween and Thanksgiving so that children become familiar with celebrations around the world. As an international school we try in every way to help our

children realize that they belong to a global family so that they develop sensitivity to cultures, practices and festivals around the world.



One Nation Reading Together (ONRT)

On International Library day Candor observed One Nation Reading Together. The whole school read together for half an hour and at assembly students dressed as their favourite characters introduced themselves.

To get the children, our Head of Learning Resource Centre encouraged students to talk

about a book that they enjoyed reading. During assembly students get the opportunity to present about a book they have read. It is quite amazing to observe the different styles the children use to talk about their books. It is also great to watch them developing the confidence to speak in public.





Middle School and Primary School Children reading their favourite books and dressed up as a character from a book they like as a part of ONRT

Children's Day Celebration



Children's day was observed through a special Assembly where among other presentations the teachers sang 'Heal the World' and danced for the students. It climaxed with a boisterous 'burst the balloon' game which all enjoyed thoroughly.



In-House Professional Development



In-house Professional Development workshop with a special focus on The International Baccalaureate (IB) was conducted on November 30, 2011, so that all become familiar with the IB Diploma Programme and its salient features.



Sports Day

Sports Day was another great event for where the whole school was involved. All practices and rehearsals were carried on during the school day yet without disturbing classes. We achieved this by shortening the classes so that there is a

balance between academics and other co-curricular events. It was great to see parents' involvement in the day's events. It was a pleasure to have our Chairman, Mr. Suresh Reddy with us and who was

completely involved in the activities. The Chief Guest was Mrs. Reeth Abraham, Former National Long Jump Champion and we are grateful to her that she took time off from her busy schedule to be a part of the Sports Day



Field-Trips



Students of Grade V at Visweswaraya Technological Museum

The Middle school children went on a field trip to the Visveswaraya Industrial Museum.

It was evident from the student's reflections that their visit was very meaningful and enjoyable.

The Primary students too went to Visveswaraya Industrial Museum and also visited an ancestral home as an extension of their unit on 'homes.'



Grade III and IV Field Trip to an Ancestral Home in Bangalore

Visitors



Mr. Edward H. Meyer, Dean College of Mount Saint Vincent (USA) interacting with the Director Operations and Dean Amin.



Mr. Hafiz Khan, sixth generation Sitar Player performing for the students during the Assembly along with his colleague, Tabla player Mr. Deshpande



Dr. Madhu Reddy, MD MadhuraHospitals, Tirupathi handing over a certificate to one of the participants at the Inter-Apartment Talent Competition held at the School on November 27, 2011



Visit by the Principal, Ms. Mukherjee, Staff, Students and Parents of Arunodhaya Montessori School, Koramangala



The Principal interacting with the prospective parents during the Winter Break

Achievements

At Candor, we encourage Children to develop in all areas.

Mohmd.Zenil, student of Grade V has starred in a Malayalam Movie titled *Oru Marubhoomi Kadha* with Superstar Mohanlal. The movie has been released in November.

Leah Longchar, of Grade VIII has released her first music album titled *Beautiful Love*.



13-year-old releases her debut album

Leah Longchar holding a bouquet, presented by a well-wisher. The debut album "Beautiful Love". Leah with Founder & Director of Youth Harvest Ministry Rev. Kaling Jeeva, (Muzungu, Pristun).

Leah Longchar, a 13-year-old teenager released her debut album "Beautiful Love" today in the presence of her family members and well-wishers at her residence. The album was dedicated and released by Founder & Director of Youth Harvest Ministry Rev. Kaling Jeeva.

At the album releasing programme, Dr. Lina Pongener gave a brief review of the album. She said that the album is suitable for any age group which is the "unique feature of the album". Leah also extended her gratitude to all those who have contributed to make her debut album a success, especially to her parents and her mentor, Director of Kids Worship Centre, Rev. Robert Longchar.

Another interesting thing about the album is well-known artists like Asha Suga and Ato Wasith have contributed lyrics and compositions. Interested persons can get a copy of "Beautiful Love" at High Praise Music Centre, Industrial Operation: Mobilisation Bookstore, Demapur @ Rs 120 only.

About Leah Longchar...

- Leah Longchar is a VIII standard student of Gender International School, Bangalore.
- She has been singing since she was 5 years old.
- She is a worship leader at Kids Worship Centre.
- Plays piano, guitar and drums.
- Wants to pursue further in music.



On December 3, 2011 our Middle School girls participated in a Christmas Concert at the Spencer Auditorium, hosted by the Advent chorus. Their dance choreographed by our Dance teacher Ms. Simi Vinod was very well received and appreciated. It was their first public performance and it was a very laudable effort.

Promotional Activities and Admissions



We organize Inter-Apartment Talent Search Events to promote Candor and on November 27th we held the final Talent Search Event at the school. 18 finalists and their families attended the event and we plan to organise such programmes in other apartments.

We are encouraged that many prospective parents are visiting the school and some of them have decided to enroll their children. On December 16th, the Students, Staff and Parents of Arunodhaya Montessori School visited Candor.

Christmas Celebration

Our first semester ended with Christmas Celebrations.

We want to thank our parents and well-wishers for their presence. We were also happy to have Rev. George Koover, the Chaplain to the Queen of England and Principal of Trinity College, Bristol.

Mr. Krishna Bhupathi the founder Chairman of Mahesh Bhupathi Tennis Village and Mrs. M. Kutty from Delhi visited the school.

We were delighted that all our children took part in the Christmas Play and performed effortlessly.





Chairman Mr. Suresh Reddy with Mr. Krishna Bhupathi and Mrs. M. Kutty

Finally, as we come to end of 2011 and look forward to another year, I take this opportunity to wish you all the blessings of the season and best wishes for a wonderful 2012

Warm regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pradipt K. Das". The signature is stylized and cursive.

*Pradipt K. Das
Principal*

