

CEDARS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF ANGOLA







CISA NEWSLETTER

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TOP NEWS IN THIS ISSUE

November has passed with a buzz of activity at CISA. Classes took center stage with lively presentations, showcasing the diverse talents of our students! Enjoy discovering the pages filled with our students' photographs, capturing the essence of our vibrant community through the fun, the learning, and the shared moments, highlighting the dynamic spirit of CISA.

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DID YOU KNOW ?

MILANK
CATERING

CISA has enhanced our student dining experience with the partnership **MILANK Catering**! Offering a diverse food schedule filled with healthy meals and tasty snacks! Check the complete menu at www.cisaedu.com



DIRECTOR'S WORD

Dear CISA Community,

Education, it has never been merely an investment of money or a profession to earn a salary. Education is an investment in humanity and a commitment from a cohesive team of trained and qualified specialists to prepare new generations for leading a better future. This is what we believe in at CISA, and we believe that educational tools should leverage the latest technological innovations. We believe in the power of a strong partnership between parents and the school, working hand in hand to provide the best possible environment for our students, an environment of TRUST. I would like to express my gratitude to each one of you for entrusting us with your most precious resource - your children. Together, as a community, we will continue to build global citizens who are not only ready to lead the future but also to shape it for the better. Thank you for being a part of the CISA family.

Warm regards,
Imad TAHA
Head of School



CULTURAL DIVERSIFICATION

In our captivating class project on cultural diversification, our young learners embarked on a global journey of discovery. Each student enthusiastically presented a unique country and culture, painting a vivid mosaic of our diverse world. From colorful traditions and delectable cuisines to mesmerizing customs and languages, their presentations

showcased the rich tapestry of human heritage. It was a heartwarming testament to the power of education in fostering understanding, tolerance, and a profound appreciation for the beauty of cultural differences.

This project also underscored the significance of diversity within the International Baccalaureate (IB)

curriculum, which our students are applying for. The IB program places a strong emphasis on embracing cultural diversity, promoting global perspectives, and nurturing open-mindedness. Our young scholars are not only learning about the world but also how to thrive in it, making them well-prepared global citizens who value the importance of cultural diversity in our interconnected world.



"IB promotes a culture of respect for diverse perspectives, fostering an inclusive learning community where differences are celebrated and embraced."

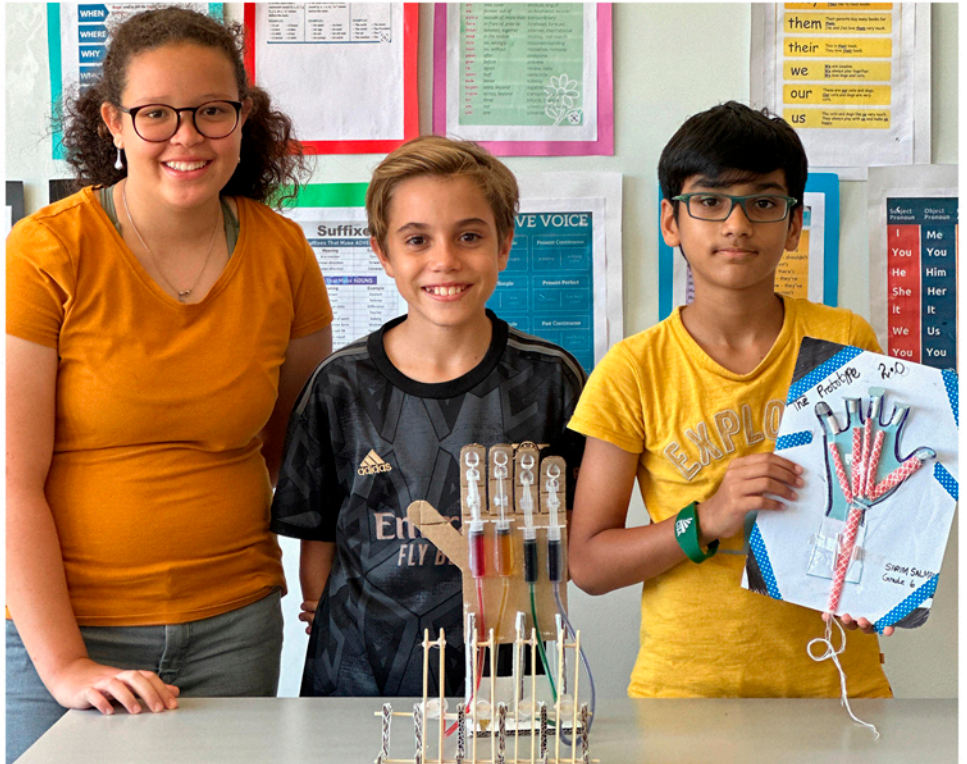
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GRADE 6 PROSTHETIC HANDS DESIGN

In Design class, our Grade 6 students took on a challenge that showcased their creativity and craft skills by creating prosthetic hands with movement. This project highlighted their innovation and problem-solving skills and exemplified the core principles of the International Baccalaureate (IB) program, fostering a holistic approach to learning that integrates creativity and practical application.

Various techniques were employed by groups to bring their creations to life. Cardboard and liquid-filled syringes were used to introduce hydraulics, and others explored string manipulation through pull-and-relax techniques. These diverse approaches showcased versatility through collaboration and peer learning.

The hands-on nature of this endeavor emphasizes the importance of providing practical activities in classes, moving beyond theoretical concepts. This approach allows students to explore design and engineering at a basic level, encouraging critical thinking and the application of knowledge in practical ways.





GRADE 6 WATER PRESENTATION

Our students delved into the wonders of the water cycle through engaging group projects. Using different materials, these creative minds crafted intricate models that visually portrayed the different stage through which water goes. From condensation to precipitation, their presentations and efforts showcased not only artistic flair but also a deep understanding of natural processes. In addition to their impressive cardboard models, students also accompanied their presentations with insightful explanations, demonstrating a thorough grasp of the scientific concepts behind the water cycle. The cardboard creations served as a testament to the power of hands-on learning, making the water cycle an exciting and tangible experience for all involved. Kudos to our talented scientists and artists for their outstanding contributions!





INTERACTIVE GAMES!

Unlocking the power of learning through play! At CISA, we believe in providing our younger students with interactive problem-solving games that are not only mentally stimulating but also physically engaging. These games foster critical thinking, creativity, and teamwork skills. We encourage activities that stimulate both the mind and body.

By incorporating such games into our curriculum, we aim to cultivate well-rounded individuals who thrive on challenges, developing essential life skills through the joy of play.



MILANK CATERING: THE JUTE STEW (MOLOKHIA)

Indulge in our mouthwatering Molokhia dish, a flavorful fusion of tender chicken, aromatic rice, and the nutritional powerhouse known as jute leaves. Molokhia, often called the "Egyptian spinach," is packed with vitamins, minerals and proteins, offering health benefits like improved digestion and immunity. Savor the goodness of this deliciously wholesome meal, where taste meets nutrition in every bite.

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IB STUDENT WINS THE DIANA AWARD

Diploma Programme (DP) student Shloka Ashok, a senior student at Greenwood High International School in Bangalore, India, has won The Diana Award 2022. The award is considered the most prestigious accolade a young person aged 9 to 25 years can receive for their social action or humanitarian efforts. Shloka Ashok has earned this recognition for going above and beyond in her daily life to create and sustain positive change not only in her community but around the globe. Through a rigorous nomination process, nominators must know the candidates in a

professional capacity and demonstrate the nominee’s impact in five key areas: vision, social impact, inspiring others, youth leadership and service journey. Among the initiatives and other social projects that made Shloka stand out in her candidacy is ‘InterMee,’ a platform that provides internship, volunteering, and leadership opportunities to high schoolers free of charge. To date ‘InterMee’ has helped over 35,000 students from over 85 countries and was featured in the top 10 internship search websites by the Telegraph’s Edugraph programme.

“I am immensely grateful to receive The Diana Award and be part of a global community of young, inspirational changemakers. This international award cements my belief that young people have the power to change the world. This recognition not only provides the validation that every young changemaker needs, but also acts as a driving force to do more,”



WHAT IS THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAURATE ?



And is it right for my child?
No two students are alike and different approaches suit different learners. However, it can be tricky knowing exactly what’s on offer so you can make the best decision for your child’s education. The International Baccalaureate (IB) is becoming a popular alternative to the mainstream curriculum in Australian schools. You might have heard the term IB bandied about the school gate or in the media. Maybe the school you’re considering offers an IB program. But what is the IB and is it right for your child?

The IB in a nutshell
The IB is a non-profit educational foundation offering four programs for children aged three to 19. The programs are geared towards university preparation, culminating in the IB Diploma – a globally recognized educational qualification.

The IB focuses on developing international-mindedness and critical thinking in students. To offer IB programs, schools must be authorized as IB World Schools. Originating in 1968 in Geneva, Switzerland, the IB now operates in more than 5,600 schools across 159 countries.

The differences between IB and mainstream education frameworks

The most obvious difference is the IB enables students to move seamlessly between its programs in other states, territories and countries, while state and territory-based frameworks don’t. Another distinctive feature of the IB is its emphasis on developing the whole child – cultivating personal and academic growth.



FRAMES OF NOVEMBER





NOVEMBER BROADCASTS

KG Teacher/Parents Meeting Postponing

Dear parents, due to the heavy rain and the inability of all teachers to arrive, we have been forced to postpone the meeting with the teachers of the KGs classes, which was scheduled today, Saturday, 18/11/2023, to a date to be determined later.

Considering the high traffic on our school's WhatsApp number, we are making improvements to enhance your experience. CISA's WhatsApp will only be available for Broadcasts / General Information and won't be available for direct communication.

We encourage you to reach out via our call center +244 923 700 900 where you will be directly assisted or appointed with the suitable department for any assistance or support you may require.

We believe this change will facilitate communication and provide more efficient service to all.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

KG Teacher/Parents Meeting

Dear parents of our KG1, KG2, KG3 students, we have the pleasure to invite you this Saturday (18/11/2023), from 10:00 to 13:00, for the parents-teachers meeting to discuss the academic progress of your children.

Please make sure to arrive on time.

Thank you.

Birthdays Notice

Dear Parents,

To ensure smooth coordination for your child's birthday celebration at school, please note the following guidelines:

Notification in Advance: Kindly inform the administration of your plan to celebrate your child's birthday by calling at least one week ahead to book the date. **Timing:** The Birthday celebrations are scheduled at 13:30 for optimal coordination.

Classmates Only:

For the enjoyment of all and to minimize disruptions, only classmates are allowed to participate.

We kindly request that no other students or relatives from different grades attend.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to creating joyful and memorable moments for your child and their classmates.

Best regards.

Thank you.

CISA Digital Library

Quick reminder!

Dear Parents, our free CISA Digital Library is waiting for your Primary Years Programme (PYP) students to dive into captivating stories and e-books over the weekend.

You can access the digital library here:

<https://www.cisaedu.com/stories>

Encourage your child to explore the diverse collection, fostering a love for reading during their free time. It's a fantastic way to make weekends extra enjoyable and educational.

Happy reading!

Flu Season: Temperature Checks

As we enter the flu, malaria, and cold season, we want to ensure the well-being of all our students. Beginning immediately, we will be conducting temperature checks upon arrival and periodically during class hours.

Please refrain from sending your children to school if they exhibit flu symptoms, cough, and/or fever. In the event of any symptoms, students will be directed to the school nurse's office for further examination.

Our top priority is the safety of your children and their classmates. Should any student display symptoms during the school day, we will contact you promptly to arrange for their pickup.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in maintaining a safe and healthy environment for everyone.

Thank you.