

### G.D. GOENKA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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#### **NOV-DEC 2023 | MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**



In vibrant crescendo of cultural exuberance, the corridors of G.D. Goenka International School have reverberated with and the echoes of joy celebration throughout the months of November and December 2023. As we bid farewell to this dynamic period, our school newsletter unfolds, chronicling the lively tapestry of events that defined academic our landscape.

The spirit of togetherness and camaraderie was palpable during our festival observances, fostering an environment of mutual respect and understanding among students and staff. With the same spirit, we transitioned into 2024 by ending the year gracefully with **Sérénité Partagée**, Annual Function 2023.

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# **HIGHER • STRONGER • BRIGHTER**



# **Pre-Primary Fancy Dress Competition**

In the spirit of fostering creativity and celebrating the unique interests of our youngest learners, G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, organized a vibrant Pre-Primary Fancy Dress Competition. The theme, ingeniously curated as "Favorite Food," encouraged our budding scholars to embody their gastronomic delights through imaginative costumes.

Tiny tots from different classes participated with infectious enthusiasm, transforming into adorable representations of their most cherished foods. From mini Bananas, Strawberries, and Grapes to Pizzas, Popcorn, and Vegetables, the young chaps of GDGIS Fancy Raipur transformed the Competition into a visual feast for one and all present.

This event not only showcased creativity but also emphasized the importance of selfexpression and confidence in our young learners.





# Jungle Safari: Picnic

In a delightful escapade into the heart of nature, our Pre-Primary students embarked on a thrilling Jungle Safari picnic. The young explorers spent an entire day immersed in the wonders of the wild, discovering the beauty and diversity of flora and fauna.

With radiant smiles and uncontainable enthusiasm, our little adventurers embraced the sunshine and freedom of the outdoors. The Jungle Safari provided them with an unparalleled opportunity to observe various animals in their natural habitat, fostering a sense of curiosity and appreciation for the world around them.

Engaging in playful activities and educational sessions, the students not only enjoyed the day but also gained valuable insights into the importance of conservation and environmental awareness. Witnessing their joyous faces amidst the natural surroundings reaffirms the significance of such experiential learning opportunities in shaping their holistic development.









# The Spirit of Boo!

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#### **Childhood Reloaded**

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, embraced a heartwarming and joyous initiative, **Childhood Reloaded**, an event that brought parents and their little ones from Preprimary classes together for an unforgettable day of shared laughter, play, and bonding.

The **Childhood Reloaded** was a delightful fusion of reminiscing about the carefree days of childhood and creating new memories. Parents actively participated in various games and activities alongside their children, embracing the opportunity to relive the joy of their youth. From Dog in the Bone to tug-ofwar, the school grounds echoed with laughter and cheers as families competed and collaborated in the spirit of camaraderie.

It not only added a sprinkle of merriment to the lives of parents and students but also served as a reminder of the timeless bond between generations. G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, continues to pioneer initiatives that go beyond the ordinary, ensuring a vibrant and enriching school experience for its students and their families.





























# **Chattisgarh Foundation Day**

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, takes immense pride in announcing the vibrant and successful celebration of the 23rd Chhattisgarh Foundation Day by the Primary Section students.

the young minds of our Primary Section undertook the responsibility of presenting various aspects of Chhattisgarh – its geography, history, and unique cultural features. The presentations were not only informative but also reflected the dedication and research conducted by our students.

The cultural extravaganza continued with captivating performances of Chhattisgarhi Folk Songs, showcasing the vibrant traditions and rhythmic beats of the region. The enthusiasm displayed by the students left the audience spellbound, creating an atmosphere filled with pride and joy.

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, remains committed to nurturing holistic development and cultural appreciation among its students.































#### **Brown Day!**

The Primary section students at G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, added a burst of color to their learning experience as they joyously celebrated **Brown Day**.

The celebration of Brown Day is a part of our school's ongoing efforts to make learning both informative and enjoyable for our students. Colors play a significant role in a child's cognitive development, and such themed days provide a delightful platform for them to explore and comprehend the nuances of different shades.

On Brown Day, our primary section students showcased their creativity by coming to school dressed in various shades of brown. The corridors echoed with laughter and excitement as each student brought their favorite white-colored toy to school. In a heartwarming show-and-tell session, the children enthusiastically spoke about their beloved toys, sharing stories and experiences with their peers. This interactive activity not only encouraged public speaking skills but also fostered a sense of camaraderie among the students.





#### **Hindi Poem Recitation**

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, witnessed a delightful display of talent and creativity as the Primary Section students participated in a **Hindi Poem Recitation Competition**.

The young poets from **Grades 1 & and 2** took center stage, delivering an array of Hindi poems with remarkable fluency and confidence. What made the event truly special was the students' incorporation of expressive facial gestures and the strategic use of props to enhance the thematic elements of their recitations.

The Hindi Poem Recitation Competition provided a platform for students to hone their linguistic skills and fostered creativity, self-expression, and confidence. Our Primary Section students' enthusiastic participation and commitment to embracing the nuances of Hindi poetry left an indelible mark on the event. The activity was not just a competition but a celebration of language, culture, and the vibrant spirit of our talented students.









#### **Kerala Quiz**

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, takes immense pride in announcing the successful culmination of an engaging and educational event for our primary section students – **the Kerala Quiz** Extravaganza.

The primary section recently embarked on a captivating journey to explore the cultural richness and geographical wonders of Kerala. The students were immersive treated to an experience through a combination of insightful videos and vibrant slides showcasing the natural beauty, traditions, and historical significance of this South Indian state.

Following this enlightening visual journey, our young scholars enthusiastically participated in a Kerala Quiz designed to test their newfound knowledge. The quiz not only served as a platform to showcase their grasp of Kerala's diverse facets but also encouraged a spirit of healthy competition among the students.





# **Science Experiments**

The young minds of G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, embarked on an exciting scientific journey as they delved into the world of chemicals and gases through captivating experiments. The primary section students, under the guidance of our dedicated educators, conducted hands-on experiments aimed at unraveling the mysteries of chemical reactions and the role of air in combustion.

In **Experiment 1**, the students explored the fascinating realm of chemical transformations. With beakers and test tubes in hand, our budding scientists observed how various chemicals change colors and probed into the scientific reasons behind these mesmerizing transformations.

**Experiment 2** took our young scientists to the realm of combustion as they demonstrated the indispensable role of air in the burning process. With a sense of excitement and curiosity, the students showcased how fire relies on the presence of oxygen, thereby emphasizing the significance of air in supporting combustion.





#### **Memory Game**

G.D. Goenka International School in Raipur organized an engaging and intellectually stimulating **Memory Game** for the students of the Primary section. The activity aimed to enhance cognitive skills and memory retention among young minds through a fun and interactive approach.

The game involved presenting 10-15 different items to the students, challenging them to memorize each item's name within a specified time. Once the items were covered, the students eagerly unveiled their newfound memory prowess by correctly identifying and naming each object. The atmosphere was charged with excitement and joy as the students showcased their impressive memory skills.

Such activities align with G.D. Goenka's commitment to holistic education, ensuring that students not only excel academically but also develop essential life skills that will serve them well in their future endeavors.





#### **Cloud in a Jar!**

The vibrant and curious minds of the Pre-Primary section at G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, embarked on an exciting journey of discovery through a **Cloud In A Jar** workshop.

During the workshop, the students, filled with enthusiasm, actively participated in creating clouds in a jar using a magical combination of soap water, and bubbles. The hands-on activity brought joy to their faces and ignited their curiosity about the wonders of science. Under the guidance of our dedicated teachers, the children marveled at the transformation of everyday materials into mesmerizing clouds, fostering a love for learning through exploration and play.

The students were further taken to our state-of-the-art Integrated Science Lab to deepen their understanding of the Water Cycle. Here, they were introduced to the fascinating journey of water from evaporation to condensation, ultimately forming the clouds they had created earlier. The interactive session reinforced classroom teachings and made the learning experience memorable and enjoyable.





#### Conventional Careers: Challenges and Opportunities



Dr. Shoeb Khan Psychiatrist, District Hospital Government Engineer



Er. Pawan Bhatia



CA Ali Asgar Attar **Charted Accountant** 

#### **Conventional Careers: Panel Discussion**

G.D. Goenka International School in Raipur recently hosted a Conventional Panel Discussion featuring distinguished professionals: Dr. Shoeb Khan, Psychiatrist; CA Ali Asgar Attar, Chartered Accountant; and Er. Pawan Bhatia, Government Engineer. The event aimed to shed light on the challenges faced by professionals during their academic journey, emphasizing the importance of overcoming low days and making informed career choices.

The panelists, each excelling in their respective fields, engaged the students with candid discussions about their personal experiences during the challenging period of exam preparation. The panel discussion was not only an opportunity for students to understand the challenges faced by professionals but also a platform for the speakers to guide the students. The eminent guests encouraged the students to introspect and identify their potential, recognizing both their strengths and weaknesses. The professionals emphasized the importance of choosing a career path that aligns with individual strengths and passions.





#### Circle Time: Grade X

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, took a significant step towards fostering a stronger parent-school partnership with an insightful Circle Time Session conducted by Mr. Daljeet Singh, the esteemed Principal of the school.

The engaging session, tailored for Grade X students and their parents, focused on the pivotal subject of Career Counselling. Mr. Daljeet Singh, in his characteristic affable manner, addressed the parents, emphasizing the critical role they play in guiding their children during the crucial phase of Board examinations.

During the session, he shared valuable insights into each student's strengths and areas that may require additional attention. This personalized approach aimed to provide parents with a deeper understanding of their child's academic profile, enabling a more effective collaboration supportive and between home and school. Mr. Singh's emphasis on the importance of parental involvement in career decision-making resonated with the attending parents.





# College Advisory Board - Sai University

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, continues its commitment to providing exceptional educational opportunities for its students. In a significant stride toward academic excellence, the school's College Advisory Board collaborated with Sai University, Chennai, in a special session aimed at guiding students in aligning their passions with higher education.

The collaborative effort brought together esteemed members of the College Advisory Board and representatives from Sai University to engage in meaningful discussions with our students. The primary focus was on understanding the unique interests and aspirations of each student and exploring the diverse range of courses offered by Sai University.

During the interactive session, students had the invaluable opportunity to gain insights into the various academic programs offered by Sai University and received personalized guidance on choosing the best course according to their individual interests and passions.







#### Ad Mad Show: Grade I to V

In a spectacular showcase of talent and creativity, the students of **Grades I-V** at G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, recently took center stage in an exhilarating **Ad Mad Show competition**.

With their infectious energy, the enthusiastic participants not only recreated iconic commercials but also demonstrated their prowess in creating and performing original advertisements. The stage came alive with vibrant performances as students sang catchy jingles and embraced the roles of characters with remarkable finesse.

The Ad Mad Show competition was a testament to the commitment of our young talents, who fearlessly embraced the spotlight to share their creativity with their fellow students. The event not only provided a platform for entertainment but also served as a learning opportunity for students to understand the art of advertising, creativity in presentation, and effective communication.





















# **Origami by Tiny Champs!**

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, held an enchanting Origami Workshop conducted for students from Nursery to Class 2. Embracing the spirit of creativity and celebrating the Christmas spirit, the workshop focused on crafting unique Christmas trees entirely out of origami.

The young minds at G.D. Goenka enthusiastically participated in the workshop, transforming colorful paper into intricate origami Christmas trees under the guidance of skilled instructors. The event aimed not only to foster creativity but also to instill a sense of teamwork and joy among the students.

G.D. Goenka International School continues to prioritize innovative learning experiences that go beyond the traditional curriculum, nurturing well-rounded individuals with a passion for creativity and collaboration.









#### **Christmas Celebration**

In the spirit of joy and giving, the Primary section students of G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, came together to celebrate Christmas with an enchanting choir performance and heartfelt expressions of the true meaning of the season.

The incredible talents of our young learners as they sang carols and shared the significance of Christmas with their peers. The melodious voices and enthusiastic participation of the primary students created an atmosphere of warmth and unity, embodying the essence of the festive season.

What makes this celebration even more special is the students' commitment to making a positive impact beyond the school walls. As part of the festivities, the young hearts at G.D. Goenka contributed to a heartwarming cause by donating clothes, stationery items, and other necessities through **Joy of Giving Week**. Their thoughtful generosity exemplifies the school's values of empathy and compassion and also reinforces the importance of community service from a young age.











# **White Day Celebration**

G.D. Goenka International School in Raipur, renowned for its commitment to holistic education, recently witnessed a delightful celebration of White Day in the Primary section. The event aimed to engage young minds in a vibrant exploration of color and its significance in a fun and educational manner.

The highlight of the celebration was a unique activity where each student brought their favorite white-colored toy to school. With beaming faces, the young participants took turns expressing their fondness for their cherished toys and sharing anecdotes and stories in front of their peers. This activity not only enhanced their public speaking skills but also allowed them to appreciate the diversity and uniqueness of their individual choices.

Understanding the importance of fostering creativity and embracing diversity, the Primary section organized White Day to encourage students to learn about the color white and its various representations. Students, adorned in beautiful white attire, showcased their enthusiasm for the day, spreading a sense of joy and camaraderie throughout the campus.



















# Message from the Academic Coordinator



"By education, we mean an all-round development of the child, in body, mind, and spirit."

The role of education in today's era is not only to pursue academic excellence but also requires the overall development of a child. That is exactly what we try to achieve at G.D.Goenka International School rated one of the best educational institutes in Raipur, helping students to develop their mental, physical, and social traits. The school organizes scholastic and co-scholastic activities around the year, that promote creativity and innovative thinking in students.

The Inter Class, inter-house, and Inter-school activities help nurture a creative bent of mind, and regular sporting activities bring about physical development in them, while the yoga classes develop spiritual traits in students. The school also promotes positive character traits among students through special assemblies. Our students with so much involvement in co-curricular activities perform equally well in academics.

Our Longview team is working together for the betterment of the society. Hope our devotion, hard work, and sincerity will help in bringing positive change in our coming generations. I also take this opportunity to thank the parents of our school for having their faith and confidence in us. Lastly, I hope and pray that our students scale great heights and keep the G. D. Goenka flag high.

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