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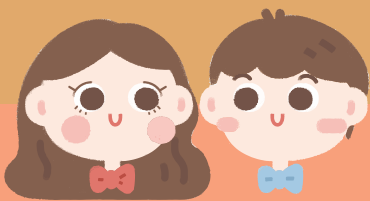
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G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, celebrated the month of September 2023 with utmost regard for an all-round growth of the children. The month of September inculcated spirits of celebration, sportsmanship, innovation, confidence, religion, and gratitude where students not only stepped on the stage to bring out the best of themselves and become victorious upon their fears, but also to requisite their future selves.

GDGIS Raipur saw a tremendous growth in its students with excellence radiating from the corridors, as cheers echoed throughout the month of September. The Students looked upon every opportunity to present themselves with sincerity and a spark in their eyes as they prepared to present themselves and understand the areas of growth. At G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, we aim at the overall growth of your child while ensuring that the necessary social skills and responsibilities are well-understood and carried out by them in the future.



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STRONGER  
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## ■ Solo Dance Competition - Nur. - KG II

the corridors echoed with giggles, excitement, and the rhythmic sound of tiny feet as our youngest stars from Nursery to KG 2 took center stage in a delightful Solo Dance Competition. The event was brimming with enthusiasm as these young talents showcased their dancing prowess, leaving everyone in awe.



The little dancers' eyes sparkled with excitement as they eagerly waited for their turn to shine in the spotlight. It was truly heartwarming to see how they carried themselves with sheer confidence and enthusiasm, showcasing their remarkable talent and fearless spirit.

From Nursery, Sahaj Dhodwar and Evanshi Nileshbhai Soni became victorious followed by Divishi Verma, Divyansh Sonkar, and P Urvansh Ranjan from KG I stood on the podium. From KG II, Atharv S Kapur, Lakshya Sahu, and Kavya Dhiwar were awarded.





## Teacher's Day Celebration

In a heartwarming celebration of gratitude and appreciation, the students of G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, came together to honor their beloved

teachers on the occasion of Teacher's Day. The campus was filled with joy and excitement as our young scholars organized a special function to celebrate the dedicated educators who played an instrumental role in shaping their futures.



One of the highlights of the event was the touching gesture of the students gifting a customized pen to each teacher. These pens were not merely tokens of appreciation but symbols of the knowledge and wisdom that teachers impart to their students. The personalized touch made each gift a unique memento, strengthening the bond between students and teachers.

The day was not just about gifts; it was also about the joy of sharing and celebrating. The students and teachers came together to perform a few songs in the spirit of the day. The air echoed with melodious tunes, laughter, and a strong sense of camaraderie. The performances were a testament to the unity and the strong bonds that thrive within our school community.





# Janmashtami Celebration

Lord Krishna is one of the deities our children love with all their hearts. He resonates with their pure childhood, innocence, and fun-loving spirit, and celebrating his birthday is a ritual never to miss. Following their hearts and spirits, our young champs dressed up as Lord Krishna and Radha on Janmashtami. Principal sir, followed by the Head Boy and the Head girl performed the Pooja before the kids took over the celebration.

The occasion wasn't merely a spectacle but a heartwarming display of the values that Janmashtami symbolizes - love, joy, and unity. It was a day when the entire school community came together to celebrate and revel in the essence of Lord Krishna's teachings. Our little Krishnas and Radhas truly stole the show, reminding us that the spirit of childhood and innocence is an invaluable treasure to be cherished, reminding us of why is it necessary to pass on our traditions to the younger generations in the right way.





## ■ Saffron Day

In a burst of vibrant hues, the Pre-Primary Classes at G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, recently celebrated 'Saffron Day' - a day filled with fun, learning, and color exploration. The day saw our little learners dressed in various shades of saffron. Each child brought a saffron-colored toy from their personal collection, and it was heartwarming to see the excitement and pride on their faces as they shared these treasures with their peers and teachers.

Saffron Day serves a special purpose in our curriculum as it bridges the gap between play and education. It offers a tangible experience for our young students to understand the significance of colors in their lives. Colors play a crucial role in early childhood development by stimulating cognitive and sensory skills.

Incorporating such theme days into our curriculum enhances the learning journey by making it more engaging and fun. It is through these moments of playful exploration and discovery that we lay the groundwork for our students' holistic development.





## ■ Pack Your Bags

In our relentless pursuit of holistic education, G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, organized a unique and empowering workshop for students in Grades 3 to 5. This session, aptly titled "How To Pack Your Bag," was designed with a simple yet essential goal — to teach our young learners the art of efficiently packing their school bags.



A well-organized school bag is not just a convenience; it's a valuable skill. This workshop aimed to impart the knowledge and strategies necessary for our students to create a balanced and lightweight school bag, ensuring they have all the essentials without unnecessary burden.

Led by Ms. Anita Purohit and Ms. Pooja Nandi, the workshop began with an engaging discussion on the importance of packing one's bag correctly. Students were encouraged to share their experiences and challenges they faced with their school bags. Students learned how to plan their daily schedule, prioritize assignments, and ensure they carry only what's required for the day. These life skills are invaluable, teaching them to be organized and responsible.





## ■ Solo Dance Competition - Grade I & II



In a delightful showcase of youthful exuberance and talent, the students of Grades I and II at G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, recently took center stage at the much-anticipated Solo Dance Competition. The event, brimming with energy and enthusiasm, provided a platform for our young stars to express themselves and, above all, to have fun.

The true beauty of the event lay in the support and encouragement extended to every participant. While some students initially harbored reservations, the support and cheerfulness of their fellow students quickly boosted their morale. The essence of teamwork and empathy was unmistakable as the audience, heered for them wholeheartedly. It was a heartwarming testament to the values our school holds dear.

With the musical array soaring high, Atharv Sahu, Ghanistha Sahu, and Rudransh Chowdhury from Grade I took over the stage as winners, followed by Anika Golugiri Reddy, Aaruhi Roy, and Advik Poonam Singh from Grade II. The students cheered on, with their peers on the podium like if one of them won, they all have won.





## Fancy Dress Competition

The students of GDGIS Raipur have taken an oath to leave no stone unturned. Participating with immense zeal and enthusiasm, the students took the stage to participate in a Fancy Dress Competition. With different themes such as Famous Personalities, and Aquatic Life, the students portrayed a whole new angle to the way a Fancy Dress competition is led.



The stage lit up as students embodied a fascinating array of famous personalities, spanning the dynamic world of astronaut Kalpana Chawla to the ever-popular animated character, Shinchan Nohara. The students' performances were nothing short of spectacular, as they seamlessly stepped into the shoes of these celebrated figures, delivering compelling dialogues and speeches that held the audience spellbound.

From Grade III, Vidushi Jhai, Abhigamyia Guru, and Akshay Singh stood on the podium for the theme of Cartoon Characters. From Grade IV, Hardik Sahu, Sayukta Gupta, and Yanish Agrawal became the top three for Space Explorer theme, followed by Vivaan, Mrigank, and Nishika Pandey from Grade V became victorious under the theme of Underwater World.







## ■ Inter-House Volleyball Competition

The Senior students of the School, Grade IX-XII, each brimming with talent and determination, battled in the Inter-House Volleyball Competition with utmost enthusiasm. The competition between the four houses of the school, namely Teresa, Radha Krishna, Vivekananda, and Tagore, brought the entire school community together to witness an impressive display of skill and brotherhood.

While the teams showcased their competitive edge and fervor to win, they also ensured that the spirit of the game remained paramount. It was heartwarming to see them not only vying for victory but also supporting and applauding each other's efforts.

The Senior students truly displayed the importance of staying united while maintaining sportsmanship and competition is a skill to be mastered in School. Out of the four houses, Teresa, the Blue House became victorious and Anvesha Gupta of Grade X won the title of the "Most Promising Player of the Tournament." The zeal and leadership displayed by the students of our Senior classes made us realize that leaders are naturally born, it is their skill that is worked upon during different stages of life and School is where they do so.





# Hindi Diwas

Hindi Diwas, celebrated on 14 September, dedicated to commemorating the magnificence of the Hindi language, was an opportunity for our students to immerse themselves in the beauty and cultural significance of our national language. The Students of Pre-primary came together to celebrate and understand the importance and beauty of Hindi as a language on a global scale.

The students were enlightened about how Hindi, as one of the most widely spoken languages in the world, represents our cultural heritage and serves as a bridge to connect with the global community. Celebrating Hindi Diwas goes beyond just acknowledging a language; it's about honoring our rich heritage, fostering a love for our mother tongue, and encouraging cultural diversity and inclusivity. It's a reminder that languages, including Hindi, are the threads that weave together the diverse tapestry of our nation.



The session was led by Hindi teachers, who performed various skits to entertain the students while inculcating within them the sense and pride the Hindi language carries with it, along with Mrs. Pratibha Mukhopadhyay who performed poems mentioning the importance of Hindi. Mr. Abhijeet Mujhopadhyay then took to the stage to perform a song to help the students understand the gravity of Hindi as a language and how it can move mountains if used properly.

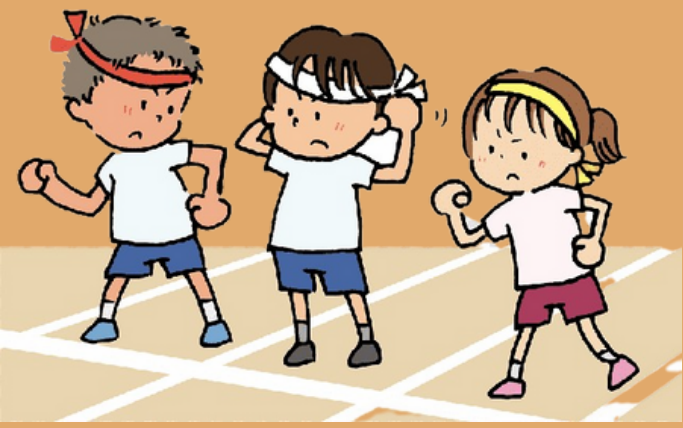




## ■ Sports Competition Grade I-II

With the sun shining bright, our young chaps tied their shoelaces and got ready to run against time. The students of Grades I and II celebrated their sports day with no sportsmanship, cheering, and energy left behind. The young athletes participated in an array of engaging races that not only challenged their physical abilities but also promoted teamwork and laughter.

One of the most entertaining events was the "Balancing Act" race, where the children skillfully maneuvered with a ball balanced on their heads. Another exciting race required the students to collect traffic cones placed in a straight line. The sight of these young racers, with beaming smiles and concentration in their eyes, was a testament to their determination and enthusiasm.





## ■ Fireless Cooking Competition

At G.D. Goenka International School, we constantly encourage our students to explore their creative talents in a multitude of ways. In the past month, our young culinary enthusiasts had the opportunity to showcase their culinary skills uniquely - the Fireless Cooking Competition.

Our budding chefs demonstrated their ingenuity by preparing a range of street-style dishes without using fire or conventional cooking gadgets. Our budding chefs demonstrated their ingenuity by preparing a range of street-style dishes without using fire or conventional cooking gadgets. From tea time snacks to the presentation of a 7-course meal, the students of GDGIS Raipur displayed such great valor, innovation, and enthusiasm to stand out from everyone else.

From Grade VI, Sanvika Santoshwar, Yashinoor, and Aishna Marwaha won the medals followed by Shreya Bothra, Aaradhay Shankar Chaturvedi, and Nityada Guru from Grade VII. Khushi Dhamejani, Vanshika Jethwani, and Aagya Jain stood on the podium from Grade IX and Riddhima Thakar, Nimisha Shankhla, and Purvi Patwa from Grade X stood out. From Grade XI, Supriya, Suman, and Amisha Singh won the medals followed by Paridhi from Grade XII.



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# Gratitude Day

In a heartwarming display of empathy and appreciation, our pre-primary students recently celebrated Gratitude Day, a special occasion that emphasized the importance of acknowledging and valuing the contributions of those who work tirelessly behind the scenes.



The students, with their innocent hearts and radiant smiles, crafted beautiful handmade cards, each filled with heartfelt messages of appreciation and admiration. These cards were then personally presented to the deserving recipients, and the joy shared between our young learners and the school's support staff was truly heartwarming.

Gratitude Day was a remarkable occasion for our pre-primary students, offering them a glimpse into the importance of expressing appreciation for the efforts of those who keep our school functioning smoothly. It's a lesson that extends far beyond the classroom, teaching them the significance of empathy, respect, and the value of every person's contributions, regardless of their role.





## ▪ Launch of College Advisory Board

G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, witnessed a significant event that has left a mark on our students. In a remarkable collaboration with KK Modi University, Raipur, we launched the College Advisory Board for our students from grades IX to XII. They had an interactive session with the distinguished guest, Mr. Shaique Mizah, from K.K. Modi University on the vital topic of "Career Mapping."



The session commenced with Mr. Mizah elucidating the importance of making informed career choices in today's dynamic and ever-evolving world. Students had the opportunity to interact with Mr. Mizah, asking questions and seeking advice on their career aspirations. With his extensive knowledge and expertise, he helped them understand the multitude of career options available and the steps needed to realize those dreams.

Through engaging discussions and practical insights, students gained clarity on how to navigate the intricate pathways of examinations, studies, and other crucial stages that lead to a fulfilling career. The session served as a compass, guiding them towards making informed choices that align with their individual strengths and interests.







## ■ Traffic Quiz



G.D. Goenka International School understands the vital role of road safety education in nurturing responsible and aware citizens of the future. To this end, the school organized an interactive road safety workshop. In a dynamic and engaging atmosphere, students delved into insightful discussions and practical demonstrations, gaining firsthand knowledge of the rules and regulations that underpin safe road usage.

Following the workshop, students were put to the test with a Traffic Quiz. This was not just a mere competition but a platform to reinforce the essential lessons learned during the workshop. The quiz witnessed spirited participation from students who showcased their newfound understanding of road safety regulations.





## Annual Dental Checkup

Oral health is an essential aspect of overall well-being, and we take the dental care of our students very seriously. Dr. Gulshan Katiyara and his team visited our school to conduct thorough dental checkups for our Pre-Primary students. The primary aim was to ensure that our young learners are equipped with the knowledge and habits necessary to maintain good oral hygiene.

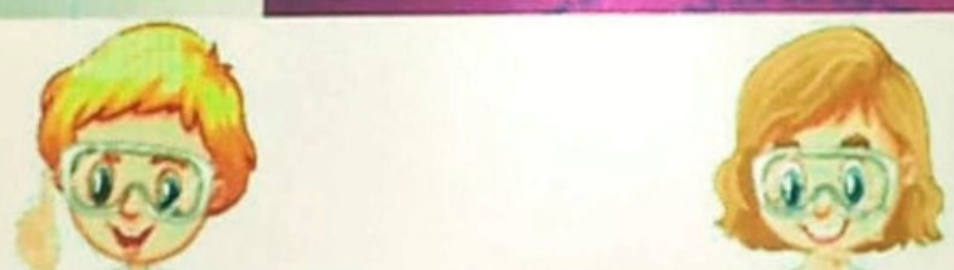


Dr. Katiyara conducted individual checkups for each student, identifying any dental concerns and offering guidance on maintaining a healthy and beautiful smile. With a gentle and friendly approach, he alleviated any apprehensions that our young students may have had about visiting the dentist.

As a result of the checkup, Dr. Katiyara prescribed personalized dental care measures to ensure that our Pre-Primary students' oral health is maintained at its best. These recommendations encompass regular brushing, flossing, and dietary suggestions that will support their overall well-being.



# Soluble and Insoluble Science Experiment



## ▪ Soluble and Insoluble Experiment

At G.D. Goenka International School, Raipur, we believe that learning should not only be informative but also enjoyable, especially for our young learners. To make science exciting for our Pre-Primary students, a hands-on science activity on "Soluble and Insoluble Objects" was organized.



The objective of the activity was to introduce our little scientists to the concept of solubility while having fun. It was a delightful learning experience that allowed the students to explore and understand the difference between soluble and insoluble substances in a playful and engaging manner.

The students were encouraged to actively participate and perform experiments themselves. This hands-on experience not only enriched their understanding of science but also piqued their curiosity and enthusiasm for learning. Learning through play is an integral part of our teaching philosophy, and this activity perfectly encapsulated our commitment to making education an enjoyable journey for our students.



## Message from the Pre-primary Coordinator

GDGIS provides an inclusive environment where students are encouraged to put their best foot forward to achieve academic, sporting, and social excellence. Students are provided with platforms in the form of various inter-class, inter-house, and inter-school competitions where not only the inborn talents of the child are polished to shine but also build self-confidence and help enhance their personality. The student's potential is channelized by teachers cum facilitators with a holistic student-centered approach.



**Ms. Gurpreet Kaur**



We are constantly evolving as we step on one milestone after the other. Our learning journey has just begun as we witness our learners grow into individuals who are committed to the cause of a better tomorrow. We look forward to enriching the future, keeping in mind our precious heritage.

We believe in moving ahead with all our stakeholders and believe that education is a shared commitment between dedicated teachers, motivated students, and responsible parents.

Together, we can and shall make the GDGIS, Raipur, the best place for learning, growth, and development of a child's present & future.

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