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MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM - DIRECTOR



I wish all parents and friends of Chaman Bhartiya School a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

As we reopen the school after the winter break, we enter the 3rd term. We will continue to focus on completing the syllabus in all three curricula: The integrated We Lead curriculum (EY to grade 5), the ICSE, and the MYP curriculum. We will persist in doing so with the CBS leadership edge.

Unfortunately, our principal, Shalini Singh Hamilton, has resigned due to personal reasons. I had hoped she would stay with us for many years. I'm very sorry that she is leaving, as she has contributed significantly to improving our academic delivery and school procedures. Generally, leaders and facilitators should not resign within an academic year, but I respect Shalini's need to be united with her family. I want to thank Shalini for the hard work and great effort she has put into the operational leadership of the school.

I'm happy that we already have an experienced and highly qualified new principal, Geeta Jayanth. Locals will know her from her engagement as a teacher and principal for good schools in Bangalore. While she joined us in late November, she has now assumed the role of principal. Having observed the school's workings and Shalini's leadership, she is well-prepared to take on the responsibilities. I am excited about working closely with her, and I am confident she will continue Shalini's work and bring fresh ideas from her rich experience.

We have a great leadership team: Geeta, principal; Nishita, vice principal; Ranjini, head of admin; Sandhya, head of PD and strategic projects - and me as director. This team can support our excellent staff to deliver on all our promises.

We are pleased to welcome Siddharth Adesara as the new coordinator for the MYP (IB Middle Years Program), an experienced MYP teacher.

As a pilot project, we have started a playgroup for small children below EY age. Feel free to contact our admission team if you are interested and want to know more.

We are currently open for new admissions. We would love to have more children as our school can become even better with more learners in the house. If you appreciate our school, please recommend us to your friends. For our current parents, there is a referral bonus of ₹ 5000 (terms and conditions apply).

**Warm Regards,
Allan Andersen
Director
Chaman Bhartiya School**



LEARN TO LIVE

Happiness, Mindfulness, Perseverance...
Appreciate Life!

EDUCATIONAL SESSION ON PUBERTY AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH

Dr. Divya Venugopalan, a renowned gynecologist, recently conducted an enlightening session at Chaman Bhartiya School to educate learners of all ages on physical and emotional health. For younger learners in grades 1-3, she introduced topics like nutrition, wellbeing and appropriate vs inappropriate touches. With older learners in grades 4-9, she delved into puberty, sexual characteristics, and the social and biological changes teens undergo. She addressed sensitive topics like menstruation, mental health, body image, depression and suicide with care. The session concluded with a thoughtful Q&A, ensuring that the learners had a clear understanding of the topics discussed. This interactive session fostered self-love, empathy and provided practical health advice.





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FIRE DRILL

The Chaman Bhartiya School community recently gained firsthand experience responding to a fire emergency during an interactive drill. Learners and facilitators worked alongside firefighters to learn proper use of fire-safety equipment. Staging an evacuation of the premises, they put their skills into action. The hands-on training equipped the CBS community to administer first aid and react efficiently during an emergency.





LEARN TO LIVE TOGETHER

Respect, Empathy, Gratitude...
Sharing & Caring

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE BY THE CBS CHOIR

The CBS choir brought the Christmas spirit to both, The Leela Palace, Old Airport Road and The Leela, Bhartiya City, with their soulful performances. The enthusiastic young performers entertained the crowds at both events, spreading Christmas cheer with their infectious energy. Their spirited performances made it a memorable night for everyone who attended the events. The CBS choir showcased their extraordinary musical prowess and talents, leaving the attendees captivated and awestruck. Click [here](#) to view the performance.





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ALL HANDS MEET

We organized an All Hands Meet event aimed at boosting the spirit of community among our staff. The event included a vibrant African Hopscotch Dance performance, a partner dance for Christmas, and a celebration for staff members born in December. Additionally, the attendees also discussed the latest developments and shared updates on various school activities. The day presented a perfect opportunity for the entire staff to bond, connect, and get into the holiday spirit.





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Curiosity, Exploration, Experience...
Grow & Evolve!

COMMENCEMENT OF THE PLAY GROUP PROGRAMME

We inaugurated our new Play Group programme with a delightful event. During the event, children immersed themselves in a range of creative and fun activities. Our Principal outlined the nurturing daily routine designed for young minds to explore and learn through play, while the Coordinator explained the engaging curriculum and the activities planned for the learners. The families also created craftworks and participated interactive sessions together. The event helped parents experience firsthand how each school day stimulates growth and development.





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OPEN HOUSE

We hosted an Open House event where prospective parents had the chance to experience our exceptional learning environment and modern facilities. Our enthusiastic learners led the campus tours, while admissions staff shared insights on our curriculum and programs. Additionally, families got the chance to participate in an informative session with the Director and Principal, making it an excellent opportunity to discover what sets our school apart from others.





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MYP PARENT ORIENTATION

CBS recently held an orientation session for parents of learners in the IB Middle Years' Programme. The session covered the IB's vision and mission, subject groups, teaching and learning approaches, assessments, and reporting. The aim was to inform parents about the program's requirements and to share information about the skills students will learn and the projects they may carry out. Parents were also provided with a copy of the presentation after the session.





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MYP LEARNER PROFILES AND ATL SKILLS WORKSHOP

The MYP learners attended an engaging Approaches to Learning (ATL) skills workshop led by Mr Siddharth Adesara. Following a lively discussion of the Learner Profiles with Ms Sandhya Gatti, the students participated in an activity connecting the five ATL skill categories to their own learning processes. The interactive workshop highlighted how skills like Thinking, Research and Communication enable learners to "learn how to learn" across subjects. By relating the ATL framework to their own MYP classes, the learners gained a deeper understanding of these key strategies and skills integral to IB methodology.





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AI LAB VISIT | EY 2 LEARNERS

Our EY 2 learners visited the AI Lab for an interactive session with Mithra, an AI-powered robot. The visit was organized to enhance the learners' understanding of Artificial Intelligence and its applications in various fields.

As part of their ongoing Project-Based Learning on the "Monuments of India," the learners were shown a video showcasing various famous monuments of India. They also interacted with Mithra and asked questions about the monuments. The learners were amazed at how Mithra could answer their questions accurately and with great detail and shook his hands.

The visit to the AI Lab was an enriching experience for the learners. It not only helped them understand the concept of AI but also gave them an opportunity to learn about the history and significance of Indian monuments.





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WINTER BREAK INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

During our winter break, we offered internships to students in Grades 7 to 9 at various offices in Bhartiya City. Our goal was to provide them with a chance to gain hands-on experience in diverse professional fields such as architecture, chartered accountancy, business administration, and engineering. The program allowed them to observe real-world work environments and gain insights into their preferred careers. We will continue the program in subsequent breaks so that every learner can benefit from this experiential learning opportunity.





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Courage, Initiative, Engagement...
Be the Change!

CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATION | RECYCLING CAMPAIGN

Our learners celebrated the festive season in an eco-friendly way. The Spanish class spearheaded the initiative to create a Christmas tree using recycled materials, which included plastic bottles and other discarded items. The tree was collaboratively built by our learners, facilitators and staff. The activity not only spread holiday cheer but also raised awareness about the importance of reducing plastic waste and inspired more sustainable habits throughout our school community.





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STAGE ASSEMBLY | EY 2 LEARNERS

Our learners from the Early Years 2 'B' class organized a stage assembly centered around the theme of positive affirmations. During the assembly, the students narrated "The Dot," a story that revolves around a young girl named Vashti and how she gains self-confidence with the help of her teacher's encouragement. The young performers held up placards that had positive mantras on them, and their cheerful delivery had the audience repeating each phrase with a smile. The students' optimistic spirit radiated throughout their dramatization of Vashti's journey to overcome self-doubt, demonstrating the power of affirmations.





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CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

The Christmas assembly was a wonderful display of the festive season and the students' talents. Learners from all grades collaborated to present a spectacular show filled with lively music, dances, and skits. The program began with a warm welcome speech by our director, Allan Anderson. The learners kicked off the program with a cheerful performance of holiday classics like Jingle bells and the happiest Christmas tree. This was followed by an energetic dance performance and a skit titled "Who is your Santa?". Our French and Spanish students also gave special performances. The choir's performance of carols had everyone singing along and was a highlight of the program. Principal Shalini Singh Hamilton addressed the gathering, while grade 7 student Laksh delivered the vote of thanks. Overall, it was an unforgettable event.





LEARN TO LEAD

Aspire, Achieve, Excel...
Be the Voice, Not the Echo!

INTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING COMPETITION

Our school's young athletes recently competed in the Oakridge International School inter-school competitions. Our swimmers shined by winning two gold, one silver, and one bronze medal. We would like to congratulate our talented swimmers for their outstanding team effort and success at the competition.



FACULTY FEATURES - GEETA JAYANTH

Ms Geeta Jayanth is an experienced educator with 24+ years of expertise. She holds three Master's degrees which include an MBA in Education Leadership from a Finnish University. Her experience includes leadership, school administration, college counseling, and school pedagogy across various curricula such as IB, Cambridge, and ICSE. She has served on the Global Advisory Board of IE Business School, Spain, and the University of St Andrews, Scotland. As an authorized school evaluation leader for IB and the Council of International Schools, she has conducted school authorization visits worldwide.

She has presented at many international forums such as the IB Asia Pacific conference, Cambridge forums, and British Council conference. She was also awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award for her contribution to education and college counseling. Before joining CBS, she headed two International schools in Bangalore.

She is passionate about education and children and believes in 'Teach is to Touch Lives Forever.' She has been an active advocate of sustainable practices and development and has worked closely with the UN office in India to incorporate UN SDGs in school education.

In her free time, Ms Geeta loves to hike in the mountains and has travelled avidly with her family chasing solar eclipses in India and overseas.



HOLIDAYS - JANUARY 2024

15th January | Monday ▶
Makar Sankranti

26th January | Friday ▶
Republic Day

EVENTS - JANUARY 2024

◀ **06th January | Saturday**
Parents Facilitator Meeting - Term 2

◀ **12th January | Friday**
Interschool Chess Competition

◀ **20th January | Saturday**
Open House