



**GCIS**  
GREENFIELD CHENNAI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

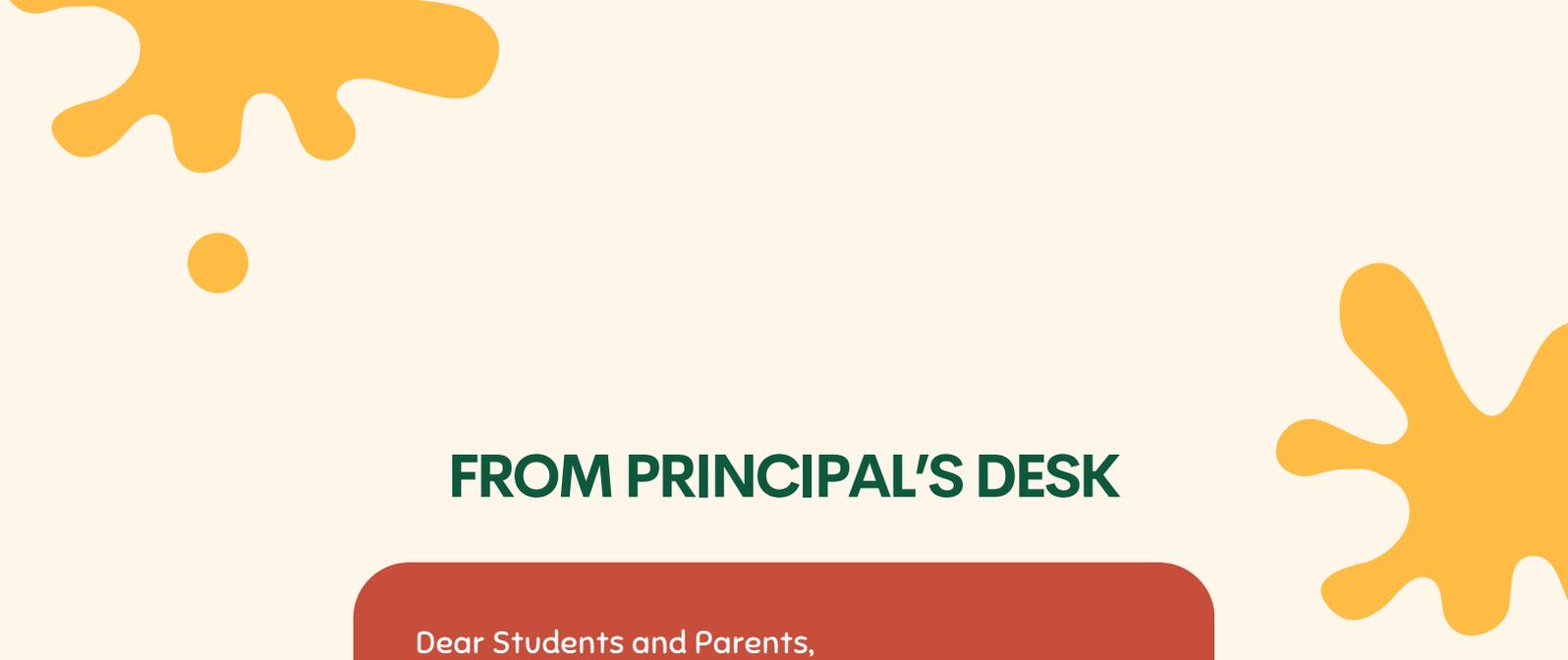
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## FROM PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Students and Parents,

As we come to the close of another academic year, I want to take a moment to thank each one of you students, parents, and teachers—for your unwavering support and commitment. This year has been one of growth, challenges, and accomplishments, and it's been wonderful to see our students push their boundaries and make the most of every opportunity.

With final assessments wrapping up and preparations for the new academic year underway, I encourage our students to take pride in their efforts and reflect on how far they've come. To those moving on to new beginnings, we wish you all the very best.

Thank you for being a part of this journey. Looking forward to another year together!

REGARDS  
SANDHYA PRADEEP  
PRINCIPAL



# Project Based Learning

01st of Mar, 2025



Project Based Learning is an exciting event in schools where students showcase their creativity, teamwork, and knowledge through various projects. It is a day filled with enthusiasm, learning, and hands-on experiences, allowing students to apply what they have learned in the classroom to real-world scenarios. At GCIS, PBL was conducted on 1st March, 2025 for classes from KG to Grade II. The topic was - Life on Land. On the day of the event, classrooms were transformed into exhibition spaces where students set up their projects. Parents, teachers, and fellow students walked around, observing and asking questions about the displays.

At GCIS, we believe that PBL is a valuable learning experience that nurtures curiosity and innovation. It provides students with a platform to express their ideas, develop problem-solving skills, and gain confidence in their abilities. Ultimately, it makes education more interactive and enjoyable.



# Parent Orientation

03rd of Mar, 2025

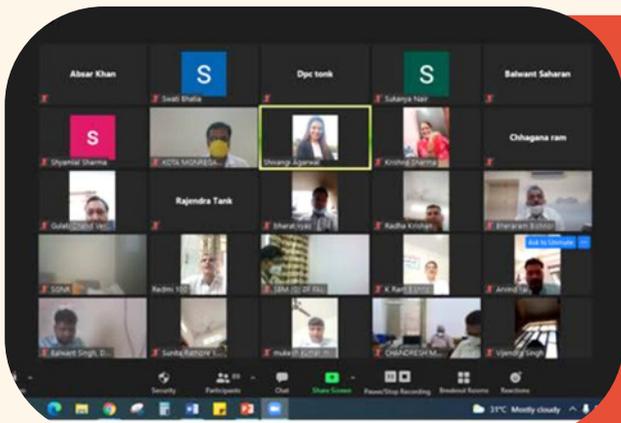


A Parent orientation for the parents of Grade X and XII students was held on 3rd March 2025. The CEO, Principal took the parents through the session and provided valuable insights into the school's ethos, expectations, academic curriculum and the support systems in place to ensure their ward's success. An interactive question and answer session provided an opportunity for the parents to seek clarification on specific concerns. The event facilitated meaningful connections between parents, teachers and management setting the stage for a successful academic year.



## Parent Orientation Online

28th of Mar, 2025



The Parent Orientation Program, a platform to ensure that all stakeholders are informed and aligned with the school's policies, procedures and expectations was held online on 29th of March 2025. The session was exclusively for the parents of the students of Grades 1 to 8. The CEO and the Principal took the parents through

the Principal took the parents through the session and provided valuable insights into the school's ethos, expectations, academic curriculum and the support systems in place to ensure their ward's success. With the commencement of the Academic Year on April 2nd 2025, the session proved to be an excellent opportunity for the parents to familiarize themselves with the school community.

# LOGIQUIDS

03rd of Mar, 2025

On March 3rd 2025, GCIS students from grades 3 to 9 participated in the Logiquids aptitude test, a comprehensive assessment designed to evaluate their logical reasoning, problem-solving skills, and cognitive abilities. The test aimed to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the students, providing valuable insights for teachers and parents to nurture their talents. The students demonstrated enthusiasm and confidence throughout the test, showcasing their critical thinking skills and creativity. The results of the test will provide our teachers with a better understanding of each student's strengths and areas for improvement, enabling them to tailor their instruction to meet individual needs.



# Fancy Dress Competition Incredible India

05th of Mar, 2025

GCIS hosted a Fancy Dress Competition for kindergarten children on the theme "Incredible India" on March 5th, 6th and 7th of 2025. Our tiny tots dazzled in colorful, unique costumes, showcasing various states, national heroes, and cultural icons of India. This event aimed to instill national pride in young minds while celebrating India's vibrant heritage. The parents' invaluable support in helping their children prepare for this fun-filled experience is commendable.



# Passing Out Parade

06th of Mar, 2025



GCIS Students Witness Historic Commissioning Ceremony at OTA Chennai! On March 6, 2025, 45 students from GCIS had the privilege of attending the prestigious commissioning ceremony of officer cadets and women officer cadets at the Officers Training Academy (OTA) in Chennai.



The ceremony marked the culmination of rigorous training for the newly commissioned officers, who will now serve the Indian Army with honor and distinction. The 'Passing Out Parade' was held at the iconic Parameshwaran Drill Square, OTA Chennai, and was a spectacular display of discipline, precision, and patriotism. The students of GCIS were inspired and impressed by the professionalism and dedication of the officer cadets and women officer cadets and had the opportunity to witness the commissioning of the officer cadets into the Indian Army.

The ceremony served as a motivation for them to pursue their own goals and aspirations. The visit to OTA Chennai was a valuable learning experience for the students, and they returned to school with a newfound appreciation for the Indian Army and its officers.



# Brainfeed Exemplary Women in Education Award

09th of Mar, 2025



On the occasion of International Women's Day, Brainfeed hosted a series of conclaves across six major cities to honor the remarkable contributions of women in education. We are thrilled to announce that our Principal, Ms. Sandhya Pradeep, has been conferred the prestigious 'Brainfeed Exemplary Women in Education Award 2025'. This esteemed recognition acknowledges her outstanding dedication, innovation,

and leadership in the field of education. This award is a testament to her tireless efforts to inspire and empower students, educators, and the wider community. We extend our warmest congratulations to her on this well-deserved achievement!

## Annual Examinations

10th of Mar, 2025

From the 10th to the 24th of March, students from all grades took their Annual Examinations, marking the end of another academic year. For younger students (Classes I-V), exams ran for two hours, while their senior counterparts faced three-hour sessions. This was their chance to demonstrate everything they had learned throughout the year. With consistent effort and determination, each student approached these exams as an opportunity to shine and finish the year strong.



# Taekwondo Champions

06th of Mar, 2025

GCIS is thrilled to announce its outstanding performance at the 19th State Taekwondo Championship, held in Chennai on February 23rd. Under the expert guidance of Master M.K. Suresh Kumaran, 5th Dan Black Belt, and Master S.K. Manjula Devi, 5th Dan Black Belt, 16 of our students excelled alongside



participants from over 20 international schools in two events- Individual Sparring and Individual Pattern. Their dedication and hard work paid off, as they proudly brought home Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medals, along with certificates. They were duly honoured by the Principal at GCIS on 6<sup>th</sup> of March 2025. This achievement marks a moment of resounding success for our school.



## MDA Training for Teachers

12, 14, 18, 20, 26 & 27th of Mar, 2025



The Madras Dyslexia Association conducted a training course with six sessions for the teachers of Kindergarten, Primary and Middle school at GCIS. Dyslexia is a common learning difficulty that affects a child's ability to read, write, and spell. Early identification and the right teaching strategies can make a significant difference in a child's learning journey. The training focused on helping teachers

recognize signs of dyslexia and implement effective support techniques in the classroom. During the sessions experts shared insights on identifying common symptoms of dyslexia, such as difficulty with reading fluency, spelling, and letter reversals. Thanks to the Organisers and trainers, Educators at GCIS learned multi-sensory teaching methods, phonics-based approaches, and classroom accommodations to help dyslexic students thrive.



# CELEBRATING WOMEN'S DAY

Mar 12  
2025



On the occasion of International Women's Day, the Management of GCIS organized a special gathering to honor and appreciate the dedication and hard work of our teachers. The event featured a token of appreciation and reward for deserving teachers, recognizing their tireless efforts in shaping young minds.



A special lunch was also hosted to acknowledge the invaluable contributions of the teaching community. This heartfelt gesture celebrated the spirit of womanhood and the pivotal role our teachers play in inspiring and empowering future generations.

## PUPPET SHOW 12th of Mar, 2025

On March 12, 2025, our Kindergarten students were treated to an exciting Puppet Show with an animal-based theme. The children were thrilled to watch popular stories like "The Little Red Hen" and "The Gingerbread Man" come to life through vibrant puppets in our puppet theatre. The fun didn't stop there! The show also featured delightful songs such as "We're Going to the Zoo" and the all-time favorite "Old MacDonald Had a Farm," which had the kids singing and dancing along. This interactive event helped our little ones learn about animals in a playful, creative way while fostering a love for storytelling. They also help children develop emotional connections to characters, encouraging empathy and imagination. The children were captivated and had a fantastic time.



# GCIS @ Festival of Australia

14th of Mar, 2025

Selected students from Grades X and XII embarked on an enriching experience, visiting the 'Festival of Australia' on March 14, 2025, at the Taj Coromandel in Chennai. This exciting event provided a unique glimpse into Australian education, allowing our students to interact with representatives from leading Australian universities, attend masterclasses led by Prof. Bhawna Kumar, Academic Director of the Australian School of Global Studies and witness an inspiring alumni pep talk between Mr. Vik Singh, Trade and Investment Commissioner of Australia, and esteemed alumna Ms. Prabha Dixit. This visit not only broadened our students' perspectives but also helped them explore and redefine their academic aspirations, opening doors to new possibilities.



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# Parent Enrichment Session

15th of Mar, 2025

GCIS hosted a Parent Enrichment Session on March 15, 2025 on the topic "Facilitating the Child's Development through Play," led by renowned child development expert Dr. Murali Krishnan, Director and Therapy Head at SPANDHAN Rehabilitation & Therapy Services. Dr. Krishnan emphasized the importance of play in fostering children's cognitive, social, and emotional growth. Through engaging examples and research-backed insights, he highlighted how play enhances creativity, problem-solving, and communication skills in young learners. Parents were provided with practical tips on how to incorporate meaningful play activities into their daily routines to promote holistic development. The session was highly informative and interactive, leaving parents with valuable strategies to support their child's development.



## Spelling Champions take the Stage!

16th of Mar, 2025



On the 16th of March, the talented Spell Bee students from Classes 1 to 9 gathered for the Level 4 Spell Bee Competition. Having successfully cleared Level 3, these students geared up to take on the next challenge. The event was held at the 'Chennai Institute of Technology' Kundrathur. Now, the anticipation builds as they eagerly await the results of their hard work!



# Best version of Myself

21st of Mar, 2025



We are thrilled to announce that our school hosted a highly successful student Enrichment Session on March 21, 2025. This engaging session, titled "Being the Best We Are," was expertly led by Dr. Murali Krishnan, a distinguished development specialist and Director and Therapy Head at SPANDHAN Rehabilitation & Therapy Services.

Dr. Krishnan's insightful presentation equipped students with practical tools and strategies to cultivate positive behaviors, build confidence, and develop resilient personalities. He emphasized that behavioral inhibitions, such as shyness, fearfulness, or hesitation, are natural and temporary, often stemming from developmental phases. Key takeaways from the session included Understanding and embracing individual strengths and weaknesses, Developing self-awareness and self-acceptance, Building positive relationships and communication skills. By empowering our students with this knowledge, we aim to foster a supportive environment that encourages personal growth, self-expression, and emotional intelligence.



# Mom and Me

28th of Mar, 2025



To celebrate the bond between the mother and the child, GCIS launched the 'MOM AND ME' programme for the children of UKG. This program is designed to strengthen the parent-child bond while allowing mothers to experience the classroom environment firsthand. Through this initiative, mothers engaged themselves in activities such as storytelling, assisting in art and craft projects, singing rhymes, and supporting play-based learning. They connected with their children's educational journey and contributed to the class atmosphere. It was truly a delight seeing the joy and enthusiasm as mothers become part of their child's learning experience.



## Acer Report Reading - GAP Analysis

24th of Mar, 2025

GCIS was privileged to have Ms. Zulekha Lakhani and Mr. Magesh Neelakantan from the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) to address the educators on 24th March 2025. They presented an insightful analysis of our students' performance in the ACER International Benchmark Tests (IBT).



During the session, they highlighted key areas of strength and identified gaps in the students' performance. Their valuable feedback enabled our educators to refine their teaching strategies, addressing the specific needs of the students and enhancing their overall academic performance.



# Parent Enrichment Session 2

22nd of Mar, 2025

GCIS conducted a Parent Enrichment Session on the topic "Understanding Behaviors and How to Positively Influence Desired Behaviors" on March 22, 2025. The session was led by esteemed development expert Dr. Murali Krishnan, Director and Therapy Head at SPANDHAN Rehabilitation & Therapy Services.



Dr. Krishnan provided valuable insights into understanding the underlying causes of children's behaviors, explaining how certain responses are linked to developmental stages. He emphasized that behavioral inhibitions (such as shyness, fearfulness, or hesitation) are natural in children and often stem from developmental phases. He encouraged parents to understand these behaviors rather than misinterpreting them as negative traits. He shared strategies to gently help children overcome inhibitions like shyness or fear. He suggested gradual exposure to social situations and providing reassurance, allowing children to build confidence over time. He shared practical techniques on how to reinforce positive behaviors in a nurturing way, encouraging healthy emotional and social development. Through examples and interactive discussions, parents learned strategies to guide their children toward positive habits while maintaining a supportive environment.



# WRAP UP!

29th of Mar, 2025

The CBSE Examinations which commenced on Feb 15th, successfully concluded on March 29th, 2025. After weeks of diligent preparation and strenuous efforts our Grade X and XII students breathed a collective sigh of relief as they completed their final papers. It is an accomplishment. We wish each and every one of our students a bright, successful and fulfilling future.



## STAFF MEETING

26th of Mar, 2025

On March 26th, a staff meeting was convened in the school auditorium at GCIS, with all teachers in attendance. The meeting was addressed by Principal Ms. Sandhya Pradeep and CEO Ms. Aleyamma Mathew. The gathering commenced with a comprehensive review of recent school activities, followed by an in-depth discussion on students' performance in the Annual examinations. Key areas of focus included Closure of the academic year, Submission of documents, Planning and preparatory work for the upcoming academic year. The meeting provided a valuable opportunity for the staff to align with the school's vision and objectives, ensuring a seamless transition into the new academic year.



# STUDENTS' CORNER



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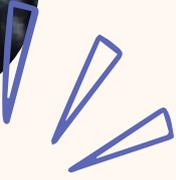
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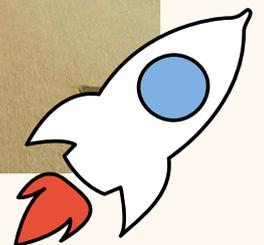
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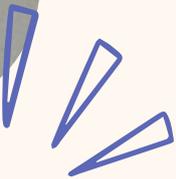
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## Thank You!

Thank you for being part of our vibrant school community. Thankyou for your support in the year 2024-25. Stay tuned for more exciting updates and achievements in the upcoming Academic Year 2025-26. Together, we continue to strive for excellence and foster a nurturing environment for our students to thrive.

Warm Regards,  
Editorial team  
Greenfield Chennai International School.

