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FROM PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Dear Parents and Students,

December has been a month of celebration, reflection, and meaningful learning at our school. As the academic term drew to a close, the calendar was thoughtfully filled with assessments, creative competitions, interactive sessions, and festive events that engaged students from Kindergarten through Grade 12. While academic rigour continued through revision exams, unit tests, and model practicals, equal emphasis was placed on holistic development. Classroom competitions, club activities, talk shows, and interactive programmes provided students with opportunities to express creativity, collaborate with peers, and learn beyond textbooks. The enthusiasm and participation across all age groups truly reflected the vibrant spirit of our school community. The highlight of the month was our Christmas Programme, celebrated in a spirit of joy and togetherness. A total of 605 students from LKG along with Grades 3 to 8 participated, reflecting our school's strong commitment to inclusivity. We firmly believe in providing every child an opportunity to be part of collective celebrations, irrespective of whether they perform on stage or contribute in other meaningful ways. The programme was confidently anchored by our students, whose grace and enthusiasm beautifully captured the essence of the celebration and added a special charm to the event. We were honoured to have Ms. Anuradha Sriram, renowned playback singer, and Sister Stella Mary, Principal of Stella Maris College, grace the occasion as our esteemed guests. Responding warmly to requests from parents and students, Ms. Anuradha Sriram enthralled the audience by rendering melodious songs on stage, creating moments of delight and leaving the gathering deeply moved. The programme was very well received and truly reflected the values of love, gratitude, and unity that the Christmas season represents. As a gesture of appreciation, the Management hosted a Christmas lunch for the entire school staff, including teaching faculty, office staff, attenders, and transport drivers, acknowledging the collective effort that sustains our school community. As we step into the term holidays, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our teachers, students, parents, and support staff for their dedication and cooperation throughout December. May the spirit of the season bring peace, happiness, and renewed strength to all.

Wishing everyone a joyful Christmas and a restful holiday.

REGARDS
PRINCIPAL



SAFAL(Structured Assessment For Analyzing Learning)

4th of Dec, 2025



SAFAL Exam: Assessing Student Learning at GCIS

GCIS conducted the SAFAL (Student Assessment Framework for Assessing Learner Levels) exam from

November 10th to December 4th, 2025. Students from Grades 6–9 participated in this comprehensive assessment, which evaluated their learning levels in key subjects: Language, EVS/Science, and Mathematics. The exam provided an opportunity for our students to demonstrate their knowledge, skills, and competencies in these areas. It also enabled teachers to assess student learning and understanding, informing instruction and guiding future teaching practices. At GCIS, we believe in fostering a culture of continuous assessment and improvement. The SAFAL exam aligns with our commitment to providing a holistic education that prepares students for future success. We are proud of our students' efforts and look forward to using the insights gained from the exam to enhance teaching and learning.



GREETING CARD COMPETITION

5th of Dec, 2025



A celebration of little creativity

To spread the joy and spirit of Christmas, a Greeting Card Making Competition was successfully conducted for Pre-KG, LKG, and UKG students on December 5. The event was filled with excitement, colours, and cheerful smiles as our tiny tots enthusiastically participated in this creative activity. With the theme "Christmas", the children expressed their imagination through vibrant drawings, sparkling stars, Christmas trees, bells, Santa Claus, and snowmen. Using crayons, sketch pens, and decorative materials, each child created a beautiful greeting card that reflected the innocence and creativity of their young minds. The competition aimed to encourage creativity, fine motor skills, colour recognition, and self-expression among children at an early age. Teachers guided and motivated the students while ensuring a joyful and stress-free environment. The classroom atmosphere was festive and lively, echoing with Christmas cheer and laughter. Every child participated with great enthusiasm and confidence, making the event a grand success.



PIM - PARENT INTERACTIVE MEETING

5th to 13th of Dec, 2025

The Parent Interactive Meeting (PIM) for Kindergarten to Grade 2 was conducted seamlessly, providing a valuable platform for constructive dialogue between parents and teachers. These sessions were thoughtfully designed to offer parents a comprehensive understanding of their child's academic progress, behavioural patterns, and social development. By facilitating open and purposeful conversations, the meetings helped establish shared goals and strengthen the partnership essential for each child's overall development.

This year, the PIM was organised in a phased and systematic manner. The series commenced with Grade 1, whose meetings were successfully held on the 5th and 8th of December. This was followed by Grade 2, with their PIM conducted on the 11th and 12th of December 2025. The Kindergarten PIM started with Pre-KG and LKG having their meeting on 09th and 10th of December and PIM for UKG was held on the 13th of December 2025, marking the conclusion of the month's interactive sessions. Across all levels, parents engaged in meaningful discussions focusing on learning milestones, classroom involvement, strengths, and areas for improvement. Teachers provided personalised feedback and shared practical suggestions to support holistic learning at home, ensuring continuity between school and home environments.

The meetings also offered an opportunity to align expectations, celebrate pupils' achievements, and collaboratively plan the next steps in each child's learning journey. The PIMs reaffirmed the school's commitment to fostering transparent communication and nurturing confident, curious, and well-rounded learners. By working in partnership with parents, the school continues to create an encouraging and collaborative learning environment where every child is guided to reach their fullest potential.



CHRISTMAS DECOR

6th of Dec, 2025



A Symphony of Sparkle, Spirit, and Shared Joy

The school was transformed into a radiant wonderland on Saturday, 6th December, as the Christmas Class Decoration activity unfolded in a blaze of colour, creativity, and festive spirit. Every classroom glowed with warmth and imagination, capturing the true essence of Christmas joy, togetherness, and celebration. With hearts full of excitement, pupils came together as teams, bringing materials from home and weaving ideas into beautiful festive expressions. The classrooms echoed with laughter and cheerful conversations as decorations took shape sparkling ornaments, handcrafted displays, twinkling accents, and thoughtful details that reflected both creativity and unity. Each space told its own Christmas story, crafted with care, collaboration, and boundless enthusiasm. What made the day truly magical was the spirit of teamwork that filled the air. Children worked hand in hand, sharing ideas, encouraging one another, and taking pride in creating something meaningful together. Their collective effort transformed ordinary classrooms into enchanting festive spaces brimming with life and cheer. Judges visited each classroom and were deeply impressed by the originality, innovation, and attention to detail displayed. The decorations were praised for their uniqueness and thoughtful presentation, making the event truly memorable.



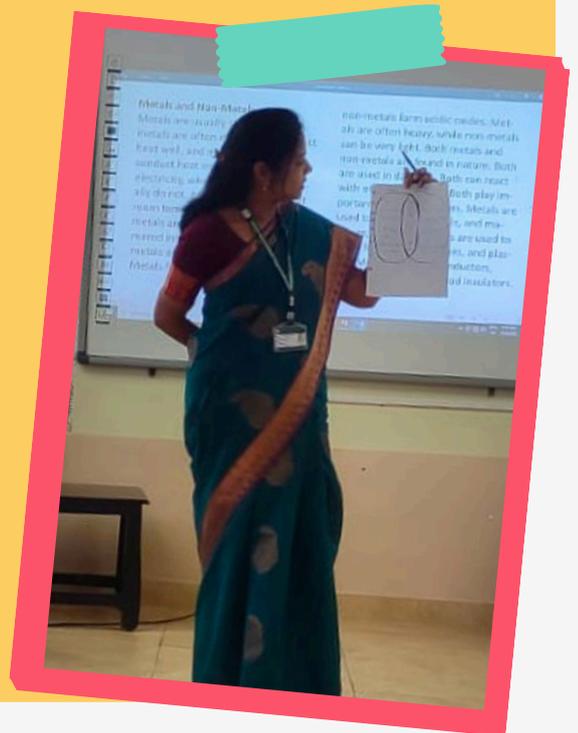
MDA - Effective Strategies for Students to Retain and Retrieve Academic Concepts

06/12/2025

Continuation Session by the Madras Dyslexia Association (MDA)

As a thoughtful continuation of the earlier professional development programme, our school once again had the privilege of hosting Ms Devika from the Madras Dyslexia Association (MDA) for an advanced learning session for teachers of Grades 6 to 8. Building seamlessly on previously introduced foundations, the session deepened educators' understanding of how purposeful strategies can strengthen retention, recall, and independent learning. The programme focused on refining classroom practices that support varied learning profiles. Through reflective dialogue and hands-on engagement, teachers revisited common academic challenges and explored structured approaches to enhance conceptual understanding and long-term memory. A key highlight of the session was the introduction of additional study tools such as Venn Diagrams, the Verb Method, and Linear Charts. These tools enabled teachers to visually organise information, draw meaningful connections, and simplify complex concepts for effective retrieval.

Participants actively practised applying these strategies across subjects, reinforcing their practicality and adaptability within everyday teaching. The session concluded on a powerful and affirming note, underscoring that effective teaching is rooted in insight, intentionality, and empathy. This continuation programme not only enriched professional practice but also reaffirmed the school's unwavering commitment to inclusive, responsive, and intellectually empowering learning environments.



SPELLBEE COMPETITION

6th of Dec, 2025

Greenfield Chennai International School hosted the Spell Bee Level 2 Competition on December 6th, showcasing the linguistic prowess of our students. The event saw enthusiastic participation from students across Grades 1 to 10 who demonstrated exceptional spelling skills and a deep understanding of the English language. The competition was a platform for our young wordsmiths to exhibit their talent, confidence, and hard work. With words ranging from simple to complex, the participants tackled each challenge with ease and poise, making the event a resounding success. The competition not only tested their spelling skills but also instilled in them a love for words and a desire to learn. We commend the participants for their outstanding performance and congratulate them on their achievement.



OLYMPIAD

7th, 11th & 12th of Dec, 2025



GCIS Shines at SilverZone Olympiad!

GCIS is proud to have hosted the prestigious SilverZone Olympiad on December 7th for Commerce, December 11th for Science and 12th December for Mathematics. Students from grades 1-10 participated with

enthusiasm, showcasing their exceptional skills and knowledge in their respective grades. The Olympiad provided a platform for our young scholars to demonstrate their critical thinking, problem-solving abilities, and mastery over the subjects. The event was a testament to the students' hard work, dedication, and passion for learning. We are thrilled to see our students excel in these competitive exams, and we commend their efforts in pushing themselves to achieve academic excellence. The SilverZone Olympiad is a stepping stone for our students to shine on a global platform, and we are confident that they will make their mark. The school applauds the students' efforts and wishes them continued success in their future endeavours.





Picnic to Guindy National Children's Park

"Into the Wild: A Journey of Wonder and Discovery"

10th & 15th of Dec, 2025



The picnic to Guindy National Children's Park unfolded as a magical escape into nature, leaving young hearts brimming with wonder and excitement. Grade II students set out

on 10th December, followed by Grade I on 15th December, and both journeys turned into unforgettable celebrations of exploration and joy. From the very start, the journey itself was filled with eager anticipation, laughter, and cheerful chatter. The destination proved to be an exceptional choice, offering a beautifully maintained landscape where nature revealed itself in its most fascinating form. The park's serene pathways, lush greenery, and thoughtfully designed enclosures created a perfect setting for young learners to observe and connect with the living world around them. Children were captivated by the sight of vibrant birds, curious



animals, and tranquil surroundings. The moment of greatest excitement arrived when they encountered the huge crocodile, whose powerful presence left the pupils astonished and thrilled. Gasps of wonder and wide smiles reflected the magic of seeing such creatures up close. Every step through the park felt like a discovery. The picnic was more than an outing; it was a joyful immersion into nature, learning, and shared happiness, a truly core memory etched in excitement, awe, and delight.



ANTI DRUG AWARENESS DRIVE

12th
DEC 2025

As part of our ongoing efforts to promote a healthy and safe school environment, GCIS organized an Anti-Drug Awareness Drive for its students. On 12.12.25, a video clip on the harmful effects of drugs was screened for students of grades VI to XII. The objective of the drive was to educate students about the dangers of drug abuse, its consequences, and the importance of making informed choices. The presentation covered topics such as:

- Types of drugs and their effects on physical and mental health
- Consequences of drug abuse, including addiction and social problems
- Strategies for resisting peer pressure and making healthy choices

The 20 minutes session was informative and engaging, and helped students understand the risks associated with drug abuse. It is hoped that this awareness drive will empower students to make positive choices and stay away from substance abuse.





TALK SHOW

Learning through fun and expression

12th of Dec, 2025

A lively and engaging Talk Show activity was conducted for Pre-KG, LKG, and UKG students on December 12 as part of an interactive class activity. The objective of this event was to enhance children's speaking skills, confidence, and general awareness in a joyful learning environment. Each class was assigned an age-appropriate topic. Pre-LKG students spoke confidently about Fruits, naming their favourite fruits and sharing their colours and health benefits. LKG students enthusiastically discussed Pet Animals, describing their favourite



pets and the care they need. UKG students showcased their knowledge on

Transport, speaking about different modes of transport and their uses. The children participated with great excitement and confidence, expressing their thoughts in simple words and sentences. Teachers guided and encouraged the students, helping them overcome stage fear and speak boldly in front of their classmates. The classroom atmosphere was vibrant and encouraging, filled with applause and smiles. This activity helped develop communication skills, listening skills, and self-confidence among students. The Talk Show was a wonderful learning experience and a great

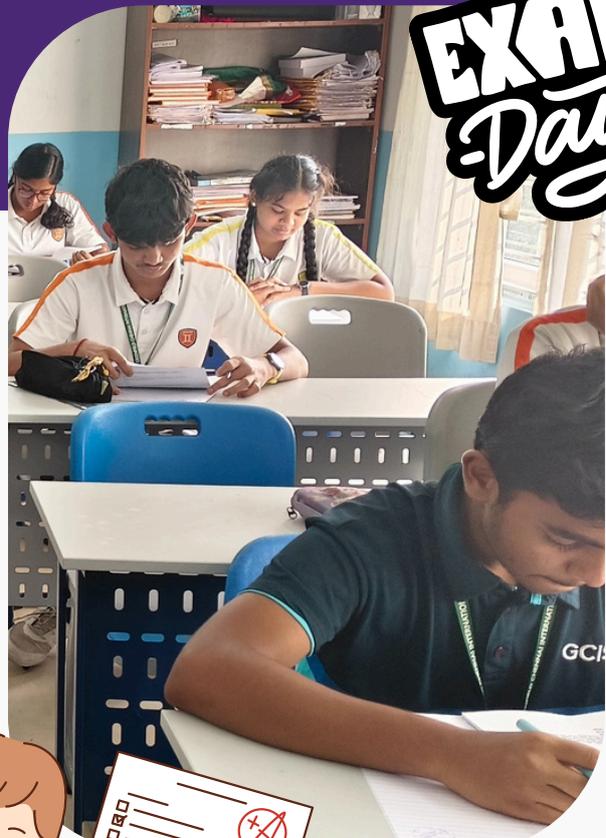
success, highlighting the talents and enthusiasm of our young learners.



EXAM TIME

2nd to 11th & 13th to 22nd of Dec, 2025

The Grade X and XII students at Greenfield Chennai International School (GCIS) undertook Revision 2 examination and the Chennai Sahodaya Schools Complex Exam, a crucial milestone in their preparation for the upcoming Board examinations. The back to back exams are designed to assess their understanding, identify areas of improvement, and fine-tune their exam strategies. The exams simulated the actual board exam experience, allowing students to familiarize themselves with the exam format, time management, and question patterns. This exercise enabled them to gauge their strengths and weaknesses, focus on areas that require improvement, and build confidence in tackling the board exams. The exams were conducted with utmost seriousness and adherence to the prescribed guidelines, ensuring a fair and transparent evaluation process. The students demonstrated their commitment to academic excellence, displaying diligence and determination in their approach.



APPRECIATION CERTIFICATES

15th of Dec, 2025



On 15 December 2025, a heart-warming appreciation initiative was carried out for students from Kindergarten to Grade 2 within their respective classrooms. The purpose of this activity was to recognise and encourage the positive qualities, efforts, and attitudes displayed by the children in their day-to-day school life. The Principal, Ms Vidya Louis, personally visited the KG classrooms and distributed appreciation certificates to the Kindergarten students and Appreciation certificates for the Grade 1 and Grade 2 students were distributed by our Director, Ms Leema Jacob, and our CEO, Ms Aleyamma Mathew.



Each certificate was carefully designed to highlight the individual characteristics of every child. Words such as “hardworking and honest,” “kind and diligent,” and “smart and cheerful” were used to acknowledge the unique strengths and positive behaviour of the students in the classroom. This thoughtful gesture made each child feel valued and recognised for who they were.



The classroom environment was filled with excitement and joy as the students received their certificates. The children were extremely happy and proud, and their smiling faces reflected the encouragement they felt. This recognition served as a strong motivation for them to continue showing good behaviour, kindness, sincerity, and enthusiasm towards learning. Teachers supported the initiative by reinforcing positive words and appreciating the children’s efforts, making the experience even more meaningful. The activity helped build confidence among the students and instilled a sense of responsibility and self-belief at an early age.



Overall, the distribution of appreciation certificates was a simple yet impactful initiative. It successfully motivated the students, strengthened positive values, and created a joyful learning atmosphere within the classrooms.





CHRISTMAS CLASS PARTY

The Christmas Class Party for Kindergarten to Grade 2 was joyfully celebrated on 19 December 2025, filling the school with festive cheer and excitement. The classrooms were beautifully decorated, creating a warm and cheerful atmosphere that reflected the spirit of Christmas. The children arrived dressed in colorful outfits and were full of enthusiasm for the celebrations planned for the day. One of the highlights of the celebration was the preparation of Christmas takeaways. The children enthusiastically participated in making these special items, which encouraged creativity and fine motor skills. With guidance from their class teachers, the students carefully completed their takeaways and were delighted to carry them home as a memorable token of the celebration. As part of the festivities, the children were asked to bring snacks from home. These snacks were shared among classmates, promoting the values of sharing, caring, and togetherness. The classrooms were filled with laughter as the children enjoyed tasting different snacks and interacting happily with one another. This activity helped strengthen friendships and created a sense of unity among the students. The class teachers actively took part in the celebrations, engaging with the children and ensuring that everyone felt included and comfortable. Fun-filled moments, cheerful conversations, and joyful expressions made the celebration truly special. The children thoroughly enjoyed spending time with their friends and teachers in a relaxed and festive setting. Overall, the Christmas Class Party was a memorable experience for all. It successfully created a joyful environment where the children celebrated the season of love, sharing, and happiness, making the day a truly meaningful and delightful one.





CHRISTMAS BEYOND BORDERS

20th of Dec, 2025

A Joyous Celebration of Christmas Beyond Borders at GCIS!

The GCIS family came together on December 20, 2025, to celebrate the spirit of Christmas in all its glory. The Spectacular Christmas Programme, themed "Christmas Beyond Borders," was a grand affair that saw students from Grades UKG and III-VIII participate with great enthusiasm.

The event was graced by the presence of esteemed guests, Dr. Sr. Stella Mary K, Principal of Stella Maris College, Chennai and the renowned playback singer, Ms. Anuradha Sriram. Our dignitaries, including our Chairman, Mr. Jacob George, and Mrs. Jacob George, along with our Directors, Mr. George Jacob and Ms. Leema Jacob, CEO Ms. Aleyamma Mathew, and Principal Ms. Vidya Louis, added to the grandeur of the occasion by joining them on the dais.

The KG kids stole the show with their melodious Christmas carols and the Nativity scene, filling the atmosphere with festive cheer. The students of Grades III-VIII showcased their talents through a captivating play that highlighted the true essence of Christmas. The audience was mesmerized by the performances, and the evening was filled with laughter, joy, and applause.

The highlight of the evening was the soulful performances by Ms. Anuradha Sriram, which left the audience spellbound. Her melodious voice and choice of songs added to the festive spirit, making the celebration truly unforgettable. The GCIS family extends heartfelt gratitude to the dignitaries, esteemed guests, parents and all those who contributed to the success of this event. We appreciate the efforts of the students, teachers, and staff who worked tirelessly to make this celebration a memorable one.



C2C Children to Children

20th of Dec, 2025



This Christmas, GCIS organised a Christmas Donation Drive in collaboration with Metro Mission, an organisation dedicated to supporting elderly individuals and underprivileged children. The donation items collected for a week long time under the banner

C2C were shared with old-age homes and children's care centres. The PTA members Mr. Dhanasekar and Ms.Andrina were instrumental in coordinating. On 20.12.25 Saturday, Students of Grades 9 and 11, along with their teachers and Co ordinator personally visited the respective organisations in Elephant Gate, Chennai to distribute the donations.This heartwarming experience allowed them to witness firsthand, the joy of giving and cultivate gratitude for their own blessings. We sincerely appreciate the generosity and cooperation of the students community for bringing warmth and happiness to those who need it the most. The day unfolded beautiful moments for our children to understand that giving is one of the greatest gifts of all.





Young Champs Rule the Pickleball Court

21st of Dec, 2025 (Sunday)

Greenfield Chennai International School successfully conducted the Under-16 Boys Pickleball Tournament (Singles) on 21st December 2025 at the GCIS campus. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation and high-energy matches, showcasing the growing interest and talent in pickleball among students.



GCIS players delivered outstanding performances and dominated the tournament with skill, agility, and strategic play.

Abdul Kashif A of grade 11 secured First Position, winning his match with a convincing score of 11-4 against Lady Andal School, displaying excellent control and consistency throughout the game.



Adding to the school's success, Reo Nikhil of grade 8C also clinched first Position, registering impressive wins with scores of 11-8 and 11-4. He defeated Bhavan Rajaji Vidyashram and Lady Andal School respectively, reflecting his strong competitive spirit and match awareness. The tournament highlighted the students' dedication to sports and the effective training provided by the Physical Education department. GCIS congratulates the winners for their remarkable achievement and applauds their commitment to excellence in sports.



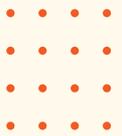
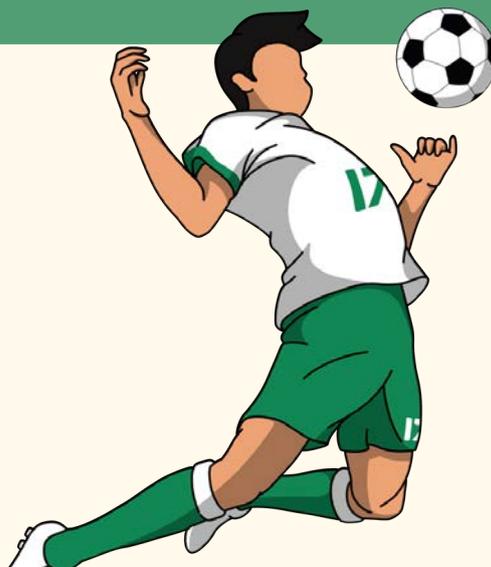
GCIS Clinches Victory in Under-14 Football Tournament

21st of Dec, 2025 (Sunday)



Greenfield Chennai International School hosted an exciting Under-14 Boys Football Tournament on 21st December 2025 at the GCIS campus, where young footballers showcased exceptional skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship. The much-anticipated match saw GCIS take on Flair Touch Football Academy, Ambattur, in a closely contested encounter. Demonstrating determination and strategic play, the GCIS team emerged victorious with a thrilling 4-3 win, keeping the spectators engaged until the final whistle. The players displayed commendable coordination, agility, and resilience throughout the match, reflecting their rigorous training and dedication to the sport. This hard-fought victory stands as a testament to the team's perseverance and competitive spirit.

The tournament provided an excellent platform for students to develop athletic skills while reinforcing values of discipline, teamwork, and fair play. GCIS congratulates the Under-14 football team for their remarkable performance and looks forward to many more sporting achievements in the future.



CUSTODIAN MEETING

22nd of Dec, 2025

Greenfield Chennai International School conducted a Custodian Meeting for Grade 10 parents to strengthen academic readiness and reinforce collaboration between the school and parents as students prepare for their CBSE Board Examinations. The meeting began with an address by Principal Ms. Vidya Louis, who reflected on the revision process, discussed students' performance in Revision Test 1 and Revision Test 2, and highlighted common errors identified across subjects. She clearly outlined expectations from students, emphasizing the importance of attending all revision tests, pre-board examinations, and revision classes without fail. Parents were also encouraged to actively support their children by ensuring regular study habits and emotional encouragement during this crucial phase. Subsequently, CEO Ms. Aleyamma Mathew addressed the gathering and provided detailed guidance on the CBSE Board Examinations, including information on the two-board examination system and the subjects eligible for improvement examinations. She offered essential instructions on answer script presentation, especially for Science and Social Science papers, explaining section-wise answering techniques, appropriate use of keywords, neat underlining, and effective presentation. The session concluded with an interactive question-and-answer segment, during which parents' queries were addressed and clarified by the CEO, instilling confidence and clarity. The meeting reaffirmed GCIS's commitment to guiding students towards a confident and successful Board examination journey.



STAFF MEETING

22nd of Dec, 2025

The staff meeting held on 22 December 2025 was a purposeful and engaging session chaired by the Principal, Ms. Vidya Louis. The meeting commenced with a detailed review of the activities conducted throughout December, during which the Principal shared constructive feedback on the successes achieved and the challenges encountered. This reflective discussion enabled the team to identify areas of strength and opportunities for improvement. The agenda also included an overview of the forthcoming activities planned for January. With events such as the Pongal assembly, academic revision sessions, graduation day arrangements and co-curricular engagements, the month ahead promises to be both enriching and dynamic. The Principal highlighted the importance of maintaining strong connections with students and fostering a supportive, inclusive, and positive learning environment. The CEO addressed the staff with thoughtful and encouraging words. She extended her heartfelt wishes to all the staff members for a Merry Christmas, a Prosperous New Year, and joyful holidays. The meeting concluded on a cheerful note with a cake-cutting ceremony to celebrate the birthdays of staff members born in December. The Christmas lunch arranged by the Management added more warmth and camaraderie to the gathering.



STUDENTS' CORNER

IMPACT OF C2C

Visiting the underprivileged children was honestly a bittersweet experience. 'Cause visiting them made me realise how blessed I am and also made me feel sad for them. I'm glad that the children there are given education and proper tuition. I feel proud of GCIS for giving me and others the opportunity to provide and donate gifts for them during this Christmas season. Seeing their joyful faces and innocent smiles made my day. It also made me realise that we should be grateful for whatever we have in life. I'm also happy that we got to spread love and joy to these children through the gifts. I pray that these children become the highest version of themselves in future.

- HAASIKA
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STUDENTS' CORNER



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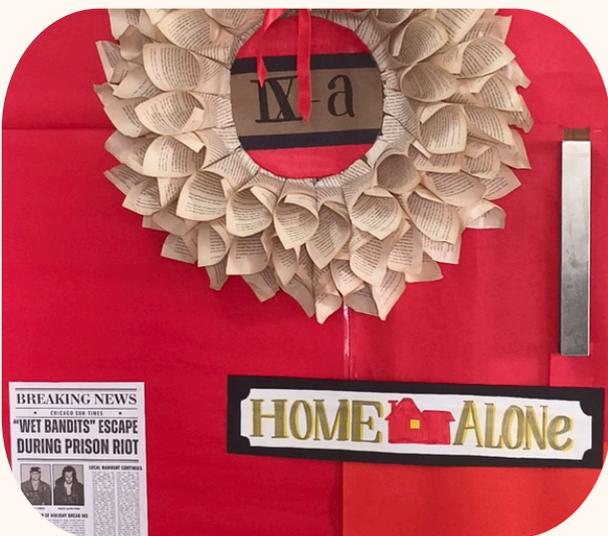


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Thank You!

Stay tuned for more exciting updates, achievements, and milestones of GCIS in the coming months. We look forward to sharing our students' continued progress and accomplishments with you. Together, let's continue to strive for excellence and empower our students to reach their full potential.

Warm Regards,
Editorial team
Greenfield Chennai International School.

