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# École Mondiale World School

## Newsletter

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## From the Principal's Desk....

Dear parents,

In response to the often voiced point raised by you regarding how to keep students occupied during the long summer vacation period, I am alerting you to a letter I am emailing to the parent body in connection with online courses from Stanford University's **Education Program for Gifted Youth** (EPGY). In addition, we are in discussion on the possibility of organising a summer school at Ecole. The latter will depend on the number of students who will show interest in registering. Please be alert to messages received by email from Ecole regarding the programmes.

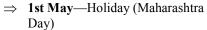
Last week I referred to the departure of our G12 students on study leave; this week the Grade 10 students will join them. I urge you to ensure that time is used wisely. Students will need to draw up a timetable in order to ensure that all priorities are dealt with appropriately and that there is a sound balance between study, rest and recreation achieved. Staying up all night is not good practice! The Grade 12 IBD Visual Arts exhibition took place this week and as I write the students' work is being assessed by the IB examiner. Over the years our art department has managed to achieve excellent results and the creativity of the students has been consistently praised. I wish this year's batch much success. All those who visited the exhibition were very impressed. Well done!

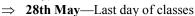
## Finbarr O'Regan



The students of Kindergarten Two visited the Juhu Post Office on April 21, 2010, in connection with their new UOI – Journey of a letter.

## **Dates to Remember**







## PROM '10 AT École



PROM '10— Once upon a time there lived princes and princesses in the kingdom of Ecole Mondiale. They successfully ruled over the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, in the presence of his royal highness, Mr.Finbarr from the year 2008 to 2010. The exhilarating reign came to an end on the 16th of April, with a tear in every prince and princess's eye. They say that every story has a happy ending, if the ending is not happy it's not the end.

So the princesses and princes of the batch 2009-2010 got together on the night of the 16th of April to mark the happiest ending of their entire journey in their kingdom.

From royal gowns to starry towns, from a pumpkin carriage to the ambience of a marriage, it was all perfect... Yes, it was a fairy tale! Prom '10, was inspired by the magical fairytales.

It was a spectacular night, with our little princess, **Trisha Vohra**, being crowned the **'PROM QUEEN'**, and our little prince, **Ritvij Gautam**, being crowned **'PROM KING'**.

We, your successors, will dearly miss you'll!

Last, but not the least, a special thanks to Mr. Finbar, Mr Patterson, Mr. Nitin, and Mr. Francis, for all their support in organizing this event.

We'd like to wish all the possible luck to our princes and princesses for the battle (exams) they'll be fighting on the battle field (examination hall, MPH). May you all return as winners, and make our kingdom proud and you live happily ever after...

Agrima Batra, Grade 11 (student)

The Invoices for the Academic year 2010-2011 have been dispatched. Please contact the Admissions office, if you have not received the invoice. Kindly make the payment of fees on or before 1st June 2010.

## **Education First Global Citizen Scholarship** programme 2010

It is indeed an honour to announce that Devika Luniya from Grade 11 has been nominated to represent India along with 9 other students from this country for this programme. The aim of the programme is to help high school students to flourish in our extremely globalized world, by crossing the barriers of culture, language and geography through cross-cultural interactions with people of different ideologies and perspectives.



Devika Luniva

Devika will get the opportunity to experience Chinese culture alongside likeminded students from India while engaging in discussions with host students from the Chinese schools that they will be visiting. The selection process involved:

An essay on- "As the world becomes increasingly interconnected, skills such as communication, innovation, leadership and critical thinking are more important than ever before. How could spending 14,000 minutes of your life on a tour to China equip you with the aptitude to compete in a world with no borders? What future opportunities could become available to you as a result of refining skills such as these?"

A telephonic interview wherein questions ranged from- "What curriculum are you following at this point of time and what aspects of the schooling programme attracted you towards it?" to "If you were to ask a high school student from USA and China one question, what would it be?"

Devika's answer to the 2<sup>nd</sup> question was very pithy-

For the American high school student: "In your opinion, what are the advantages of a private high school as opposed to a public high school and what is the real difference in the quality of education?"

For the Chinese student: "Apart from Mandarin and other local dialects which are the popular choices for a second language among students? are students showing a higher interest in other foreign

languages?"

Indeed Devika has done her parents and the school proud. We look forward to her meaningful participation in the Beijing conference in the summer and valuable feedback on her return.

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

## CAS makes life complete in the DP

Open bottles of glass paints lay haphazardly on the ground while smiley faces, flowers, kites and buses were circumspectly kept on the table to dry. Beautiful bookmarks littered the floor while colorfully embellished files were carefully kept away. Popular hindi music blared in the background, drowned by the happy excited childish voices that filled the room. It was just another day at Ecole Mondiale with just another group of eleven year olds from Bal Jeevan (an NGO which supports municipal school children with academic support) who were celebrating their success at accomplishing several outstanding feats in math, drama, dance and art.

Ecole has always been serious about its service activities and the ones conducted on the 30th of March were no different. This time, our guests, our newest friends, were from Bal Jeevan, and the eager looks on their faces when we entered assured us that this would be a two-way learning process. They seemed captivated by the activities allotted to them and their creative inputs enlightened us to a whole new perspective on dance, drama and art. This was a great learning experience for both parties and after each CAS activity I can see the eyes of all my peers open wider and wider to take in a whole new look of the world, The less fortunate circumstances of our new friends did nothing to dampen their ferocious passion and their talent. We just provided a medium to let it shine.

I hope that the children enjoyed themselves as much as we did and eagerly await learning with them sometime soon!







## Canteen Menu

#### **MONDAY**

Snacks: Peas Upma, Sabudana Wada, Cereals With Hot & Cold Milk Early Years: Peas Upma, Fresh Fruit, Milk Shake Lunch : Boondi Raita, Veg Biryani, Green Moong Masala, Chapati, Papad, Fruit Jelly OR ITALIAN MEAL - Spagethi Barbeque, Garlic Bread, Fruit Jellato Early Years: Boondi Raita, Veg Biryani, Green Moong Curry, Chapati, Spageti Barbeque, Fruit Jelly

Snacks: Idli Sambar, Nachos Cheese Sauce, Cereals with Hot & Cold Milk Early Years: Idli Sambar, Fresh Fruit, Milk Shake Lunch: Toss Salad, Plain Rice, Dal Tadka, Paneer Makhanwala, Baigan Bharta, Paratha, Sheera OR SOUTHINDIAN MEAL - Masala Dosa, Mix Veg Pakoda, Sambar/Chutney, Sheera Early Years: Plain Rice, Dal Tadka, Paneer Makhanwala, Chapati, Sheera

#### WEDNESDAY

Snacks: Jumbo Vada Pav, Bhel Puri, Cereals with Hot & Cold Milk Early Years: Bhel Puri, Fresh Fruit, Milk Shake Lunch: Aloo chat, Pudina Rice, Masoori Dal, Kofta Curry, Veg Kolhapuri, Chapati, Caramel Custard OR MEXICAN MEAL - Mexican Pasta, Gazpacho Soup, Caramel Custard Early Years: Pudina Rice, Masoori Dal, Kofta Curry, Chapati, Caramel Custard

## THURSDAY

Snacks: Mini Cocktail Uttapam, Maggi, Cereals with Hot & Cold Milk Early Years: Mini Cocktail Uttapam, Fresh Fruit, Fresh Juice Lunch: Beet Root Salad, Steam Rice, Tomato Rasam, Rajma Masala, Aloo Methi, Pudina Chapati, Sevaya Kheer OR CHINESE MEAL - Veg Hakka Noodles, Shezwan Fried Rice, Hot Garlic Sauce, Veg Clear Soup Early Years: Veg Haka Noodles, Shezwan Fried Rice, Hot Garlic Sauce, Sevaya Kheer

## **FRIDAY**

Snacks: Ragda Pattice, Ghobi Paratha, Cereals with Hot & Cold Milk Early Years: Ghobi Paratha, Fresh Fruit, Milkshake Lunch: Green Salad, Chole Puri, Plain Rice, Masala Dal, Kala Jamun OR AMERICAN MEAL - Hot Dog Roll, French Fries, Chocolate Brownie Early Years: Chole Puri, Plain Rice, Masala Dal, Kala Jamun

