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# WINTER ACTIVITIES AT LOWER



Students took advantage of the wonderful weather with a series of class specific outings to various locations, a visit to the Zoo is pictured above.

#### **CGS** LOWER ANNUAL ATHLETICS

This year's Annual Athletics had a wonderful PT display with students showing their bouncing skills. This was followed by age specific races.



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#### VICTORY DAY MUFTI



Lower students looked splendid in their green and red mufti for Victory Day.

#### **GRANDPARENTS DAY AT LOWER**

Lower School grandparents were celebrated at a wonderful day at the newly refurbished campus.



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Martyrs' Intellectual Day, was observed, where our students paid heartfelt tribute to the lives tragically lost on December 14th, 1971.

A fire drill was held to prepare for any emergency as well as a Victory Day mufti pictured below.





NAZNIN CHOWDJURY In December we lost a beloved Colleague, Naznin Chowdhury, who succumbed to her 3 year battle with cancer.

Naznin joined CGS Middle School in August 2003 and served for over 21 years as a Literature teacher and later as Coordinator of class 7. She was devoted to CGS and remains in the hearts of both colleagues and her students. Naznin leaves behind, her husband, a son and daughter. May Allah grant her the highest Jannat. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family members.

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#### MENTAL MATH WORLD CUP '24



**Suprobha Dey** (8M) was declared country topper in school grandmaster category in the Grand Finale of the Mental Math World Cup 2024.

## CGS Brain Buzz

An Inter-School General Knowledge Competition took place recently, featuring questions on Bangladesh. The event aimed to inspire students to deepen their understanding of their nation, aligning with the significance of December, a momentous month for all Bangladeshis as it commemorates the nation's historic victory. Some of the participants pictured below.



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1<sup>st</sup> place - **Saba Masani** (10M) for Singing 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - **Agnidipa Sen** (10K) for Singing 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - **Shayanti Chowdhury** (10S) for Dance Peoples Choice Award: **Rodela Rudmila** (10G) and group, in Dance.



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#### MICROBIOLOGY OLYMPIAD



The Microbiology Olympiad organized by Notre Dame University Bangladesh (NDUB) and Bangladesh Society of Microbiology (BSM) was held recently. **Nabonita** (12G), left was 1st Runner up.

#### **UNIVERSITY SEMINARS**

A series of university recruitment events took place at Upper School, including a visit from **Bruno Lacrampe**, the Director of Alliance Française, for a seminar on higher studies in France.

As well as a team from Macquarie University came to discuss details regarding higher studies at Macquarie University in Sydney, Australia, below.



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