# C.G.S. Newsletter

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#### Dear Parents,

We hope this message finds you well and your family is enjoying a wonderful start to the year. We are delighted to share details about two upcoming events that promise to enrich our school community with learning and celebration.

In February, Upper School will continue hosting its In-House Round Square Conference, a unique platform for our students to engage in meaningful discussions and activities centered around the Round Square IDEALS—Internationalism, Democracy, Environment, Adventure, Leadership, and Service. This conference will provide students an opportunity to develop critical thinking, teamwork, and leadership skills in a supportive environment. Further details regarding dates and schedules have already been shared with students, and we encourage your support to make this event a resounding success.

Looking ahead, we are thrilled to announce the return of our Spring Festival, which last year was a phenomenal success, thanks to your participation and enthusiasm. This year's festival promises to be even more exciting, with a variety of food stalls, live musical entertainment, and engaging activities for all ages. The Spring Festival will take place in February, and we are currently inviting ideas and contributions to make the event truly memorable.

Both these events reflect our commitment to providing students with a holistic education that extends beyond the classroom. We look forward to your continued support and active participation in these initiatives. As March mock examinations are approaching, these events will be like a breath of fresh air for the students before they gear up for the gruelling exams. Faiza Chowdhury



**DUKE OF EDINBURGH ACTIVITES** The Duke of Edinburgh Awards are a mandatory part of the CGS experience. During December both the Adventure trip (pictured above) and the Silver Award Residential Trip to Balukhali, Ukhiya, Cox's Bazar were held (below). Hosted at a primary school for Rohingya orphans, this 5- day journey proved to be a transformative experience. Students engaged in meaningful activities, including insightful visits to a Rohingya Refugee Camp and developed life survival skills. This trip strengthened friendships and encouraged personal growth while highlighting the significance of community service.





Food is such an important aspect of our culture and Pithas stand out amongst the most delicious. Our recent festival pictured above.

	CALENDAR OF EVENTS	DATE
1. A.	Sarawasti Puja	3.2.2025
	CGS Upper RS Conference	7/8.2.2025
	Shab-e-Barat*	14.2.2025
	Ekushey Mufti	20.2.2025
	Ekushey	21.2.2025
	Last Day of Winter Term	27.2.2025



## ANNUAL ATHLETICS 2024/25

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As we approach the much-anticipated Annual Cultural Programme 2024-25, I am thrilled to share this year's captivating theme: 'AI: Threats and Opportunities.' This thought-provoking concept will be brought to life by the extraordinary efforts and dedication of our Lower students, teachers, and staff.

The journey to this event has been a remarkable one. Our teachers and support staff have worked tirelessly to plan and coordinate every aspect, ensuring a seamless experience. A special mention goes to our talented art team, who have meticulously crafted stunning, handmade props to enrich the performance and bring the theme to life.

Our students, as always, have displayed immense enthusiasm and commitment during rehearsals, channelling their creativity and energy into showcasing their talents. Their excitement to present this event is palpable, and I am certain they will leave us all inspired. We warmly invite you to join us and celebrate their hard work and passion. Your presence will undoubtedly make this event even more special for our young performers.

On another note, with Ramadan approaching, we would like to inform you that Lower School will follow shortened class timings during this period. While the adjusted schedule accommodates the needs of the holy month, we emphasize the importance of maintaining regular attendance. Assessments will be ongoing, and missing even a single day of school can disrupt the flow of learning and understanding.

We sincerely appreciate your support in encouraging regular attendance during Ramadan.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Annual Cultural Programme!

Rasha Tariq

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Lower School ACP	26/27.2.2025
Last Day of Winter Term	27.2.2025



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#### WINTER MAGIC



A fun filled 'Winter Magic' day was held during the wonderful winter season for students in Lower School, some participants pictured above.



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As we move into February, we bid farewell to the crisp chill of winter and welcome the fresh blooms of spring. This transitional month marks new beginnings and new challenges. The upcoming Winter Exams will test not only knowledge but also dedication and remind us that success is a result of consistent effort and focus.

International Mother Language Day observed on 21<sup>st</sup> February, holds a profound significance, particularly for us as it marks the historic struggle for linguistic and cultural recognition. This day serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made for the Bengali language and inspires renewed commitment to preserving and promoting our linguistic heritage. It urges us to recognize the value of our mother tongue in shaping our uniqueness, fostering a sense of belonging and preserving our cultural history.

This day should inspire us to prioritize learning and understanding our language better. It reminds us that our language is not just a communication tool but also our identity. So, let this day be a call to action to protect and promote our languages, ensuring they thrive for future generations. Hector Fernandez

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### **GRANDPARENTS DAY**



This year we celebrated grandparents day to honour the special role they play in our lives. A grandfather pictured above with his grandchildren.





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