



We braved it!

Dear Students, Staff, Parents and Well Wishers!

Greetings!

Year 2020 is passing by. Through our Christmas celebration video we have already bid a thankful goodbye to 2020 and why not! Didn't it make us view life from a different perspective? Didn't 2020 show us our innate strength to adapt to changes quickly? The answer is a definite –YES!

I would like to believe, when I stand at the threshold of 2021, that I am much stronger because I have been able to encourage my staff to explore their potential

more than before, and through them my dear students are now capable of assimilating lessons from different modes. We, the staff and the students, have made CNIS stronger.

One may not realise the depth of knowledge that was gained in the past few months but I urge you to take time and understand it. Let us take time to write down the little, invisible achievements that we have got and also to celebrate the bigger, obvious accomplishments. When we do that, be assured that increased blessings are going to be poured on us.

Move ahead with gratitude in your heart and smile on your face,



and find a fresh beginning of promises and possibilities. With renewed hopes and optimism of the New Year, I wish you all a very happy, healthy, successful and a prosperous 2021!

God Bless You!
God Bless CNIS!



Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI
Principal

A 100% & The World Topper!

Meghana Anil with her hard work and conscientiousness brought glory to CNIS.

She received the Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award for gaining the highest marks in the world for Cambridge AS Level Mathematics in the November 2019 Cambridge Examination Series.

Meghana's name was mentioned in the recently held Cambridge International Kerala Community Virtual Meet. Mr Dilip Kottapadath, Manager, South India, Cambridge Assessment International Education, congratulated CNIS Community for Meghana's achievement.



It was literally impossible and if it has happened then that is because of the proper guidance from Fr. Principal, and all my teachers especially Vinod Sir. I remember my class mates also for we have been for each other always. My parents have been the greatest supporters throughout.

- Meghana Anil



While I taught Meghana's batch, I have observed Meghana grasping mathematical concepts and strategies very quickly. I have seen her good retention ability too. She could easily relate mathematical concepts within and across the content areas, and also with real- life situations. She is highly skilled in variety of topics. Above all I was fascinated with her hard work and the will to do better every time while she did her AS Level & A Level. This great achievement that she has gained comes as no surprise to me.

Mr. Vinod R
Head, Department of Mathematics, CNIS
and Meghana's Mathematics Teacher



Thank you CNIS for giving all encouragement and support to Meghana. Without the passion and the dedication of the teachers at CNIS she wouldn't have achieved this milestone.

We are happy to have chosen CNIS for our daughters. The bonding of teachers with the students is very strong here. It is a blessing for our kids to have studied here.

- Mr Anil Sreedhar & Ms Preetha G Pillai
Meghana's Parents





Humility, kindness, sincerity, dedication, commitment...the words that come to my mind when I am asked to describe Meghana Anil. Sounds a bit clichéd, right? These are a few oft quoted qualities of an ideal student. In a world where the definition of a model student has attained various other dimensions too, I would like to designate Meghana as one of the most 'approachable' students that I ever had. We wax eloquent about approachable teachers, but being approachable as a student is a feat in itself. Multi-talented and unswerving as she is, her readiness to be available for anything that the school demands, even within the tight schedule of the Cambridge curriculum, is something that I have always admired and still do. She is on top of the world now for her outstanding academic achievement which has given the entire CNIS family something to boast about. Her humility etched in her million dollar smile will definitely take her a long way. May she be able to scale even greater heights and make us proud again!

- Dr. Sabitha P R
Section Head – Senior School



Meghana has always motivated everyone around her to excel academically, and as an individual. She lights a spark of wonder in everyone she interacts with. She has the spirit to inspire, through her hard work, dedication and passion. As a sibling, she has always encouraged me to do my best and push my limits. I have seen the humble and compassionate human being she has grown into, and could not be prouder.

- Meenakshi Anil
Meghana's sibling & CNIS Alumna



Meghana has always been an amazing friend, who I have felt like I could count on and usually the first person on board for all our hang out plans. Besides being a great friend, she is also someone who tries to give her best at everything and one of the few in our class who always takes the initiative for all the activities. When it comes to academics, she isn't someone who studies 24/7, but she enjoyed and understood whatever she did and thus it wasn't really surprising when she achieved 100% in AS Level Maths, also considering her love for math. We, as a class are very proud that she was one of us while she attained such a recognition. We wish her all the best for her future endeavors.

- Ninav M Biju
Ex- CNIS Girls' Ambassador & Meghana's classmate



Meghana has always been a great friend and is a perfect definition of a "Teachers' pet". Even being as crazy as she is... She was always there to help us when we needed and together we conjured a lot of wonderful memories. As a class we were fairly active in various events of our school and Meghana made sure she played her hand in the best way she could. She was always a calm and jovial figure but at the same time brought in this wonderful surge of energy to the class that helped us all. Although the title of World Topper might have come as a pleasant surprise, she has indeed worked hard enough to carry the weight of The Title on her shoulders. As one of her close friends I am very proud of what she has achieved and I wish her the best of luck for all her future endeavours.

- Melvin Chacko Dennies
Ex- CNIS School Leader & Meghana's classmate

Achievements



Adithyan S Neelamana of Grade XI won the Best Delegate Award at the Christ Junior College Model United Nations Conference organised by Christ University, Bangalore. The Conference was held online this year on 2 and 3 October.



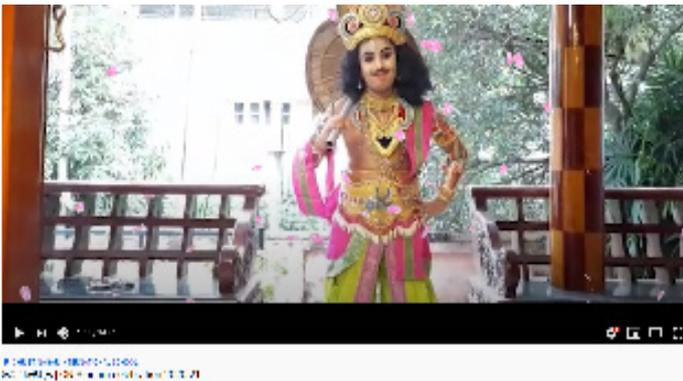
CNItE Diya V S of Grade VII secured the Fourth Position in Wild Wisdom Quiz, Middle School Category (Grades VI - VIII), conducted by World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF). Being amongst the top ten out of more than 30,000 participants across India, CNItE Diya grabbed the opportunity of interacting with Renowned Grand Master Vishwanathan Anand who is also Environment Education Ambassador of WWF.

Honoured!



Mr Vinod R, Head, Department of Mathematics, was honoured with a memento, presented to him by Rev. Fr. Paul Mangad CMI, Manager, Christ Nagar Group of Schools, on 19 December 2020 in the presence of School Principal Rev. Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI and the staff members. He was honoured for his contribution towards World Topper Meghana Anil's achievement.

Onam



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P2Gx5uZWzkU>

A good number of students came together in a delightful video that spread the aura of Onam festivity. The video came out on 31 August 2020, the *Thiruvonam* Day when Kerala wears a decorative look. The fun and fervour of the season was brought in by the students act. King *Mahabali* enacted by CNItE Rigved of Grade VI was an attraction that symbolised the visit of *Maveli Thamburan*

to CNIS. Principal Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI in his message conveyed to be good and kind. He urged that the true meaning of Onam is revealed only when each one attempts to spread one's goodness all around. Cine artist Mr Nandhu and playback singer Manakkadu Gopan were the guest speakers. Both the celebrities wished CNIS Family a great Onam.

Grand Parents Day



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pe660B7XEm4>

Teacher's Day



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1EAN2J3He7Q>

A surprise video of gratitude was presented to the teachers by the CNIS Student Council on 5 September 2020. The video consisted of appreciation, honour and thanks for all the teachers of the school. The hard work and

collaborative work of the students was very much seen in the video. This unexpected pleasant gesture which also exhibited the management skill of the students elevated the teachers on the day set aside for the teachers of India.

CNItes presented a spectacular video tribute to the grandparents on 13 September 2020. The small token of appreciation was to show how much the grandparents mean to the children. An inspiring message on the role of grandparents in the lives of young ones was shared by Former Chief Minister Shri Oommen Chandy who is the grandparent of one of the CNItes. Eminent cardiologist Dr. Ramakrishna Pillai and his wife Dr. Susheela, also the grandparents of CNItes,

emphasised the involvement of school outside of the curriculum in the lives of children. Retired IAS Shri Babu Joseph talked about the better days which was very promising to hear during this time. Former MP Dr. Anirudhan Sampath highlighted how precious grandparents are and the joy they bring in. The video was enriched throughout with clippings from CNItes and their grandparents engaged in different chores and games.

Thrill CNIS



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Thrill CNIS continued in the month of September with CNItes participating in events conducted exclusively for each category. The students were more than ready to showcase their talents, and their enthusiasm spurred to make Thrill CNIS a spectacular event. The

competitions were either conducted live, using Zoom as a platform, or participants sent in pre-recorded videos. New events were introduced to blend with the new mode. The results were announced later and the Merit Certificates were mailed to the winners.

A video from Grade XI



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With the guidance of the teachers a motivating video was brought out by the students of Grade XI on 8 October 2020. It was also to pay homage to the Father of our Nation. The life of Gandhi was presented by CNItE Rohit as CNItE Sarah brought out the portrait of Mahatma through her pencil drawing skill. The awareness of sound mental

health and tips for it also was presented through the video. The message of working together for a mentally healthy society was given out too. It was an honour for all at CNIS to have Rev. Fr. Paul Mangad CMI, Manager, Christ Nagar Group of Schools featured in the video with a few inspiring words.

Talents Day



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In commemoration of the 26th International Teacher's Day celebration, Christ Nagar International School unveiled yet another fabulous Talents Day Programme on 5 October 2020. CNItes Nivedhya Sanju and Sibi Alosious were designated as the Student Principal and Student

Vice Principal respectively. The students of Grades VI – IX were lavished with interactive lessons and the student teachers experienced the trials and tribulations of being an educator. The recipients of the best student teacher awards were announced on 9 October 2020.

Children's Day



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A video presentation exclusively by the little hearts of Grades KG to II was released on 14 November 2020 as a celebration of Children's Day. CNItes Jagannadh S Nair of Grade 1 presented himself as Chacha Nehru. The video consisted of various cultural

programmes and inspirational messages by the parents. An attempt to show the Children's Day Carnival, involving activities like baking, nails painting, face painting etc, was the delight of the video.

A Gathering of Hope!



A video from Grade IX



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1EAN2J3He7Q>

The students of Grade IX with the support of their teachers premiered a video on October 24, 2020. The themes selected were the United Nations Day and highlighting the school's Girls Guild. School Principal, Rev. Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI with his gracious presence in the video encouraged CNItes to make the best use of their time. The highlight of the video was the Model United Nations, a simulation of the proceedings of a UN council, where Grade

IX students represented various countries and delivered powerful speeches on the Economic Impact of COVID-19, giving the audience a deeper look into the global impact of the pandemic. The latter half of the video featured CNItes Nandini Nair, the Girls Representative who highlighted the importance of gender equality, pushing both boys and girls to strive for equal representation in society. Speeches on strong women were presented by the students.

Show & Tell



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The Annual Education Fair, 'Show & Tell' was held from 16 – 20 November 2020. The event was conducted with parents and fellow students in the live virtual audience, a first for an online event in CNIS, watching on as the CNItes showcased their learning this year before the

judges. 'Star Performer of the Day' was revealed from each class to add a competitive element to the fair. 'Show and Tell' provided a platform for all students to exhibit their learning, while also acquiring essential presentation skills.

With hope and prayers for a cheerful 2021 of togetherness, all the staff members gathered in the school premises on 19 December 2020. The gathering was to create positive vibes and negate away the effects of the situation that is prevailing. Symbolic Christmas Candles were lighted by Fr. Manager, Fr Principal and

Academic Coordinator. A cake also was cut by them which was followed by the exchange of Christmas cards amongst the staff.

Annual Day with the Joy of Christmas!



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Coming face to face with an unrealistic situation and then changing the unrealistic situation into the new normal, CNIS and CNites moved on and have almost reached near the end of the

academic year 2020-'21. As videos were the new norm of celebration and engaging the students, the school decided to create a video to celebrate the Annual Day with the Joy of Christmas.

All efforts went into making the video as it would have been in the school premises. School Principal Rev. Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI proudly announced the academic year 2020-21 as a successful year through the Annual Day video released on 23 December 2020

Honourable Guest Speaker Rev. Fr. Dr. Thomas Chathamparambil CMI, Prior General, CMI Congregation, congratulated the School Principal and his team for bringing the spirit of Christmas. In his message he said that Christmas is a time of

joy and happiness, which is in humility and difficulty, and not in plentifulness. He also said that all the students, coming from different backgrounds, being united in the spirit of love and dedication is a big message of Christmas.

The video presented the show 'FAREWELL 2020'. The show was a gesture of gratitude. Through the show Christ Nagar International School thanked Year 2020 while celebrating the birth of the Lord-Jesus Christ.

Christ Nagar International School gave out the Christmas Message of having only prayer, gratitude and acceptance of things happening around us.

News from Kindergarten

The little most of CNIS are learning their way through online. They are engaged in various activities but something they did exclusively needs a mention. The little hands played some magic on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanthi. Their teachers engaged them in a wonderful activity of creating the figure of Gandhiji. It

was a brilliant way to make the blooming buds remember the great personality for life long. Come Christmas and the tiny tots were busy making their own little Christmas Trees. Waiting for Santaclaus, these bundles of joy hardly realise the happiness they spread around.

Magazine Articles

Student Editor Daniel Chacko Jayan in a short video, on 12 December 2020, announced the preparation of the next School Annual – Vivacité – 2021. The themes of each class on which the students have to create their contributions are also given. All

the students are informed to work well and submit their contribution on or before 20 January 2021. The literary work has to be typed and the art work has to be scanned, and mailed to Magazine@cnis.edu.in.

Reviews & Examination

Class Tests for Grades I-IX were held in the last week of October to end in the first week of November. It was in MCQ pattern conducted on Google Forms.

Mid Review –II for Grades X & XI was held in the month of October and for Grades I-IX, it was conducted in the month of December. Kindergarten Section's Mid Review was held in the month of November.

November Series Cambridge Examinations for AS Level/ A Level was held from 1 October -18 November 2020 in the school amidst strict Covid -19 precautionary measures.

IGCSE (Grade X) Mock Exam –I, as preparation for March -2021 Series Cambridge IGCSE Exams, was held in the month of December.

Humble Reminders

Third Term Fee is expected to be paid by 31 January 2021. Parents are requested to remit the previous fees dues, if any.

Upcoming Reviews & Examination

IGCSE (Grade X) Mock Exam –II
AS/ A Levels (Grades XI & XII) Mock Exam – I & II
Class Test for Grades I-IX
Mid Review-III for Grades I-IX
Cambridge Examinations – March 2021 Series
Review for Kindergarten.

