

# IB NEWSLETTER



## SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS & KEY EVENTS

### KEY EVENTS, CELEBRATIONS, AND SHARED EXPERIENCES

#### Thrills, Traditions, and Teamwork at Thanim

Students enjoyed a two-day experiential trip to Thanim, filled with adventure, collaboration, and cultural learning. Day 1 featured aqua games, mud pool, rain dance, kayaking, zip lining, and horse riding, followed by team-building and reflection sessions. On Day 2, students explored museums, an Ayurvedic wellness centre, a heritage village showcasing Indian and Kerala arts, and attended an insightful session on architecture. It was a memorable trip where students collaborated, learned, and had immense fun, a truly enriching experience for all.

#### Serving Smiles and Sharing Hearts – National Food Day at the Old Age Home.

In celebration of National Food Day, our students visited a local old age home to share joy and compassion with the residents. They spent meaningful time interacting with the elders, serving meals, and engaging in heartfelt conversations. The visit fostered a spirit of empathy, gratitude, and community service, reminding students of the value of giving back and spreading kindness through simple acts of care. It was a heartwarming experience that created lasting memories for both students and residents alike.

#### Lights, Laughter, and Togetherness – A Joyous Diwali Celebration!

The school celebrated Diwali with joy, colour, and festive spirit through vibrant house-based dance and music competitions. Students showcased creativity, teamwork, and cultural pride in both traditional and contemporary performances. The energetic teachers' dance added cheer and laughter, perfectly capturing Diwali's essence of light, unity, and togetherness – a celebration of artistic talent and community spirit.

#### Curtains Up! – Intramural Drama Competition.

The Intramural Drama Competition showcased students' creativity and talent through engaging plays rich in expression, teamwork, and stagecraft. The event built confidence, encouraged collaboration, and celebrated the performing arts with captivating storytelling.

#### Spooktacular Halloween Celebration: Creativity, Fun, and Kindness on Campus.

Students celebrated Halloween with creative costumes and a lively ramp walk featuring witches and pop-culture icons. MYP 5 shared healthy treat bags with support staff, adding kindness to the fun-filled event.



**Explosive Creations:** MYP learners creatively explored volcanic eruptions by building model volcanoes to simulate volcanic activity realistically. The task strengthened ATL Information Literacy Skills as they researched and presented their findings. This hands-on project fostered inquiry, collaboration, and conceptual understanding across science and humanities.

**Crunching Numbers, Cutting Waste:** As part of a Service as Action project, MYP community analyzed cafeteria data to identify patterns in food wastage. They applied mathematical concepts while developing ATL Research and Critical Thinking Skills to promote sustainability. This initiative nurtured empathy, reflection, and global citizenship among learners.

**Elocution Excellence:** MYP students showcased outstanding eloquence and confidence at the Inter-School Elocution Competition hosted by Ramakrishna College. Their impactful speeches reflected strong communication skills and global awareness. Special congratulations to Pranavi from MYP 4, who secured First Place at the State Level, bringing immense pride to our school community.

**Emotion Excavations:** Students took part in an engaging Well-being Session titled "Exploring Emotions." Through fun games and creative tasks, they learned to recognize, express, and manage their emotions. The session promoted self-awareness, positive coping strategies, and emotional well-being.



#### **The Two-day TOK Camp:**

Held on 13th and 14th October 2025 was an inspiring and engaging experience for our DP1 and DP2 students, led by Mr. Chetan Arvindbhai Mehta, DP & TOK Coordinator from One World International School, Bangalore, the sessions blended deep inquiry with moments of laughter and light-hearted learning. Students explored Natural Sciences, Human Sciences, the Arts, Mathematics, and History, uncovering how knowledge is constructed and interpreted across disciplines. The session concluded with a detailed unpacking of the May 2026 TOK essay titles, offering students valuable insights and guidance.

Overall, the two-day experience sparked curiosity and critical thinking.

#### **CAS - Awareness Program on Emotional Intelligence**

DP1 and DP2 students – Mokshita, Bhadra, and Dhanya conducted an awareness session for MYP 4 and 5 students on Emotional Intelligence. The interactive program helped participants understand self-awareness, empathy, and effective communication. The session fostered collaboration, leadership, and reflection among the DP students.

#### **Mystery Box Challenge – A Hands-On Science Hit!**

In a hands-on Mystery Box Activity, MYP students explored a sealed box containing a realistic heart model using only their sense of touch. They described its shape, texture, and weight, made predictions, and collaborated to identify the object. This engaging exercise enhanced analytical thinking and communication skills while sparking curiosity about human anatomy through inquiry-based learning.

#### **University Connect**

The World University Fair was a transformative experience for MYP 5 students, sparking informed future planning through meaningful dialogue with global university representatives. It fostered research skills, international-mindedness, and empowered students to make informed academic choices—proving "it's never too early to dream big."

#### **Lighting the Earth, Not the Sky!- Green Diwali**

Amitav and Pranav from MYP 2 celebrated a Green Diwali, encouraging eco-friendly practices and sustainability. They promoted reducing pollution and using natural decorations, reflecting IB values of caring and principled action. Their initiative inspired peers to celebrate with joy, harmony, and environmental awareness.

**Leadership Curriculum Reflections:** Students participated in reflective sessions as part of their Leadership Curriculum, exploring qualities of effective leaders, sharing personal insights, and discussing how leadership can be practiced in daily life. Their reflections demonstrated self-awareness, collaboration, and initiative.

#### **Diwali celebration (CAS Initiative) - Celebrate a green diwali: Plant, Click and Contribute.**

As part of the Diwali celebration, our DP1 students conducted an ESS initiative titled "Celebrate a Green Diwali: Plant, Click, and Contribute." Through this campaign, students encouraged the school community to celebrate Diwali sustainably by selling indoor plant saplings such as peace lilies, spider plants, and other air-purifying plants. The initiative aimed to raise environmental awareness and promote the message of celebrating Diwali in a greener, more responsible manner.

#### **University Fair**

The International University Fair, held on 9th October 2025, in collaboration with IMTP Educational Consultancies, brought together representatives from prestigious universities such as Nottingham University Malaysia, Swinburne University of Technology Malaysia, James Cook University Singapore, Kaplan Singapore, International Medical University Malaysia, and Raffles University Malaysia.

The event provided DP students with valuable insights into global higher education opportunities.

## Key Dates – NOVEMBER 2025

Nov 1, 2025	LEADERSHIP CONCLAVE : WITS, WARMTH AND WILL.
Nov 3, 2025	COMMENCEMENT OF END OF TERM-1 ASSESSMENT - MYP (1-5) & DP2
Nov 13, 2025	WORLD KINDNESS DAY
Nov 17, 2025	LOGIQUIDS FIRST LEVEL OF EXAMINATION
Nov 20, 2025	WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY, ISSO
Nov 28, 2025	IMO

## MOMENTS THAT MATTER

Please scan the QR codes below to view photo highlights from our CAS Service & Action projects and the Thanima Field Trip.



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SERVICE INITIATIVE



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Note: Please Use students' account to access the photos of the Thanima Trip and the Old Age Home visit by scanning the respective QR codes provided above.