



**NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER 2020**



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We cordially invite you to join us for the virtual

**Christmas Celebration**

Date: 19th December 2020.  
Time: 3 PM to 4 PM  
Link: <https://meet.google.com/gcg-ekfq-bre>

**This edition of Newsletter brings to you the events and celebrations for the fabulous month of December 2020**

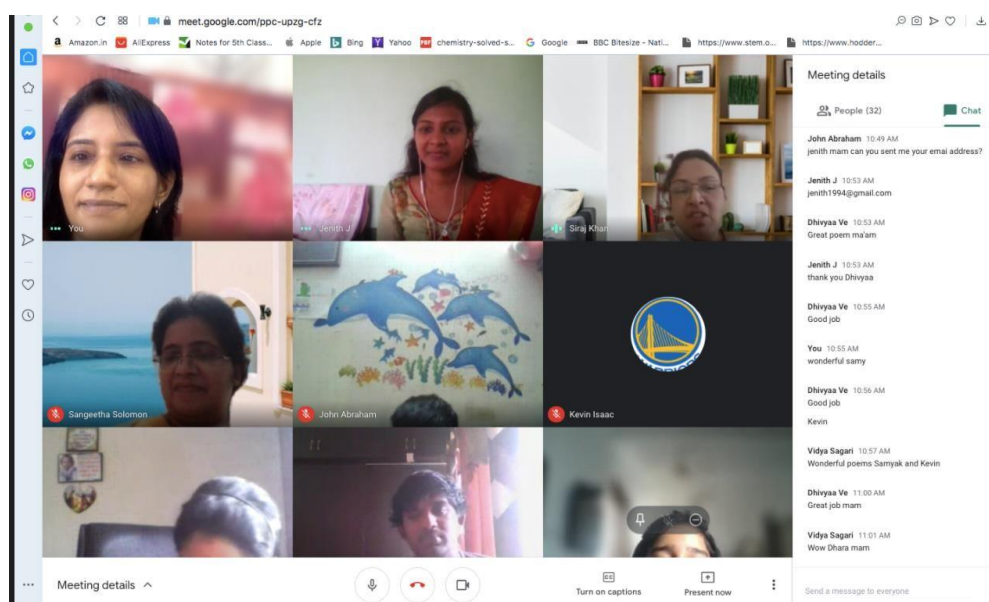
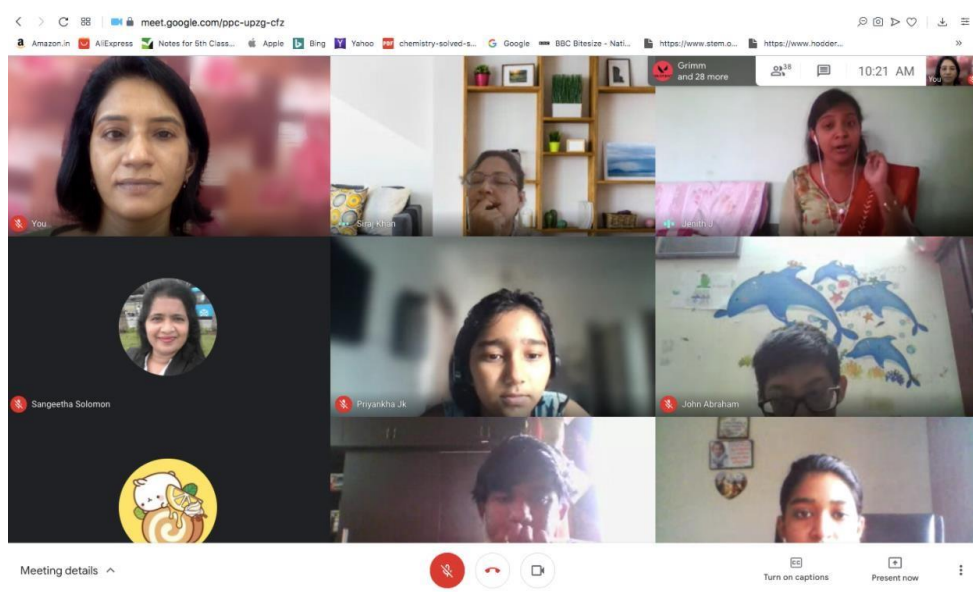
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## Guest Lecture – Art of Poetry – 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2020

A guest lecture on " Art of poetry" was conducted on 1st Dec 2020 for all the MYP and DP students of our school. Ms. Jenith, a young poet, backing up the role of Assistant Professor and online English tutor was the resource person.

The session was quite interesting and the guest person encouraged the young poets of our school to come forward to read their poems. This session was very helpful in bringing out the hidden talents of our school children.



## Kindergarten Activities

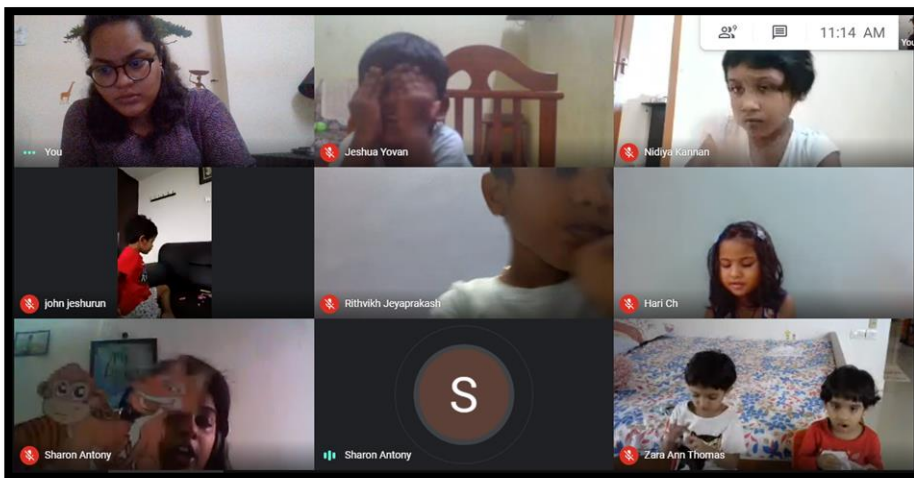
### K1 and K2 Activities – 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 2020

Students of K1 & K2 expressed the excitement towards Christmas by drawing a snow man through step by step drawing process and took pleasure in coloring him.



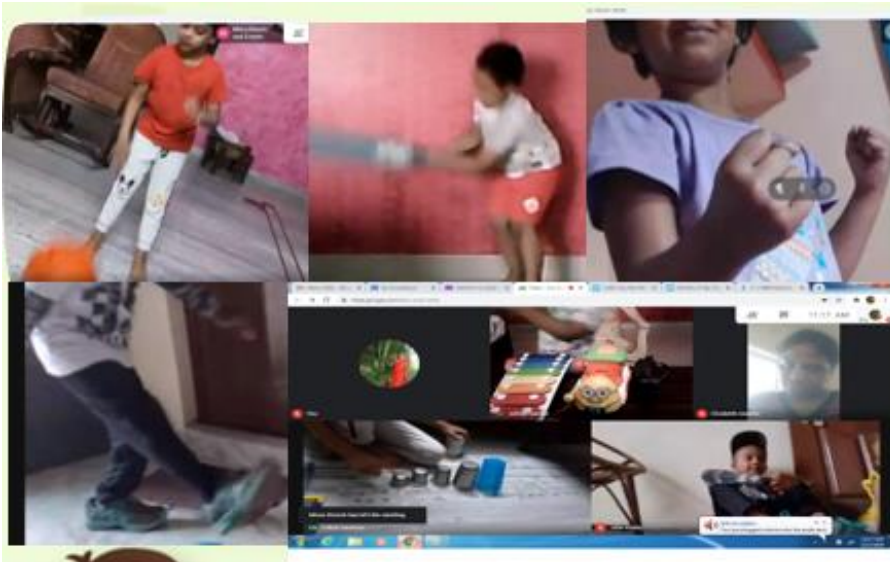
### **Learning Math through Story:**

Learning through stories makes the understanding better and creates strong impact in the minds of younger ones. Our Children were engaged in a fun filled story session with the story” Train in the Jungle” that described them about the measurements such as big-small and boundaries of environment such as up-down and before-after.



### **K3 Activities – 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2020**

Children came dressed up like their favorite sports person and they demonstrated about the player and the game. That was an excellent show and later they were engaged in fun games integrated to their learning about the measurements based on the size of the object.



### **Emergency Helpline Numbers:**

Children experienced a fun filled virtual tour to Vandaloor Zoo through a roleplay they enacted. On the way, they explored the emergency Helpline numbers to be known by every individual and they understood the situations in which those numbers will be of great use to them.



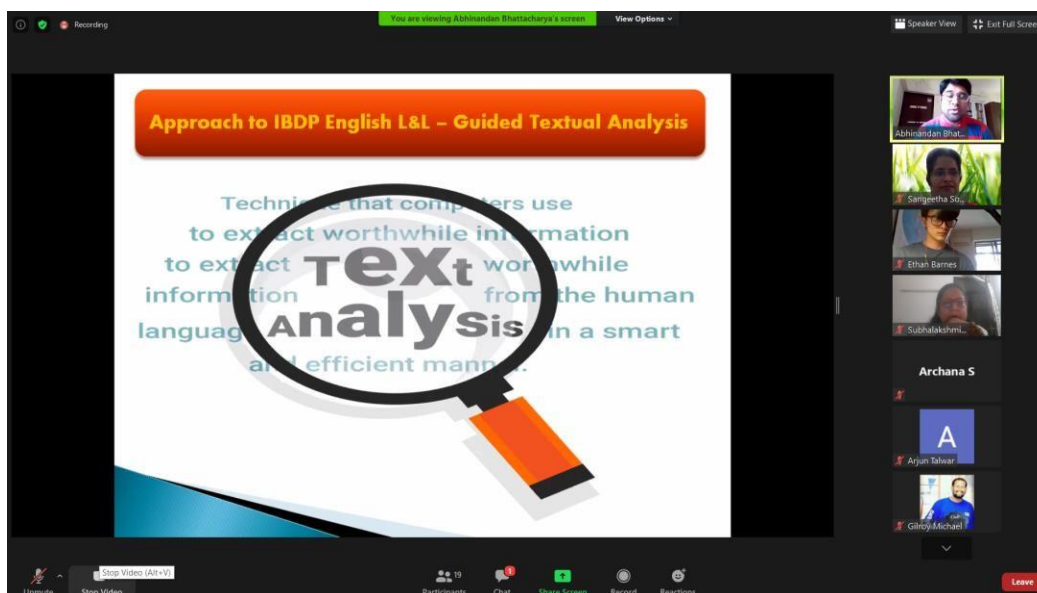
### **GUEST LECTURE**

The students of PYP-4 actively took part in an interactive session, My Body belongs to me. We had 2 resource persons to enlighten the students on Good touch and Bad touch, how to be assertive, Knowing the difference between a good secret from a bad secret, identifying our safety network, understanding early alarming signs and symptoms, and the traffic signal rule to follow. Ms. Joy Christin Johnson, a Child Psychologist, and a Mental Health Advocate joined us from Mangalore, and Ms. Johanna Shirly, a budding young Psychologist joined us from Trichy. The students were encouraged to reflect on their learning by doing a few interactive worksheets. Ms. Johanna from Trichy made the session interesting by singing the song, 'You're in charge of your Body'.



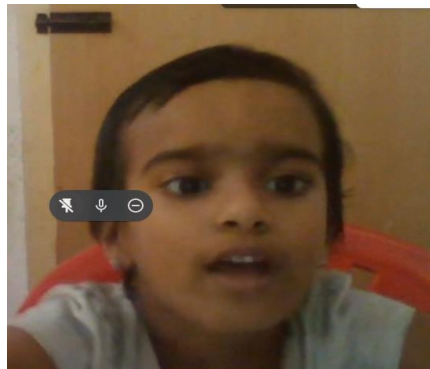
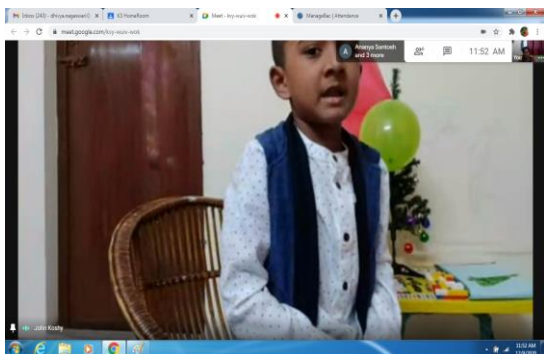
## IBDP Language & Literature Webinar – 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020

DP Coordinator Ms. Sangeetha and Language and Literature facilitator Mr. Michael attended the webinar organised by Ascend. The webinar focussed on Paper 1 guided textual analysis. The in-depth presentation gave a clear insight into the curriculum.



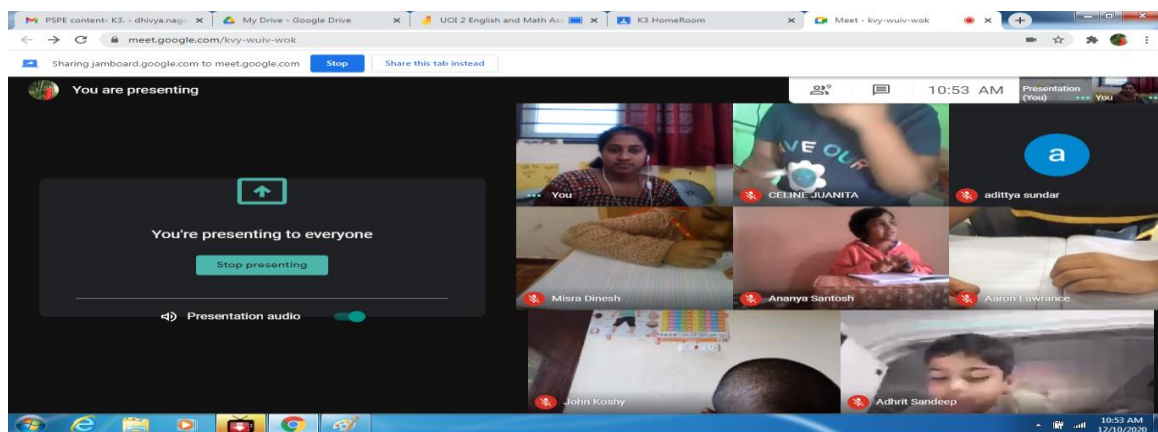
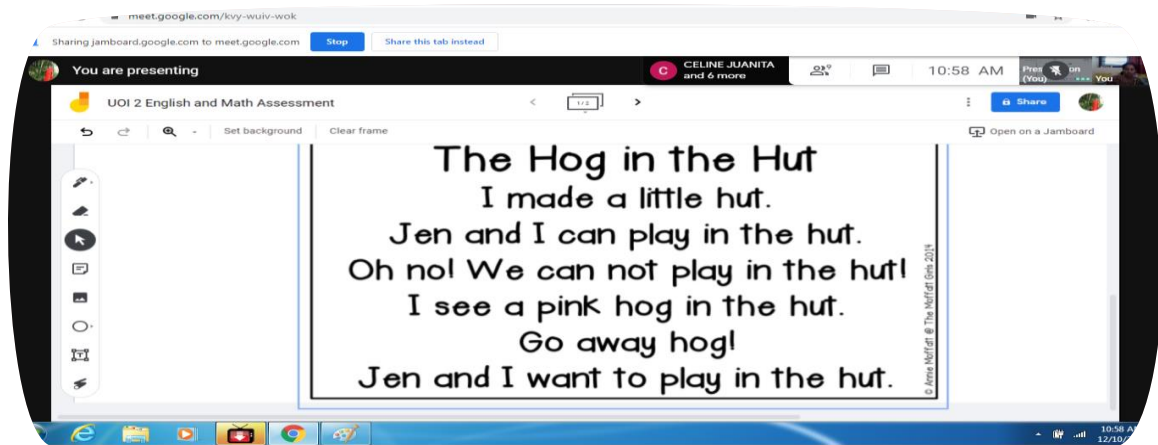
## Summative Task Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020

Children showcased the IB Learner profile “Knowledgeable” and “Communicator” during their presentations in the form of Talk show/ storytelling/Puppet show that demonstrated the facts behind celebrating the festivals selected by them through lot system.



## English Summative:

Children were displayed with a short story “The Hog in the Hut” and they were given opportunity to identify the action words and ink those words through blending in their note.



It was an important day of success milestone in their intellectual journey of Diploma Program. The students of DP 2 made a stunning and smart final presentation assessment of their Theory of Knowledge, the important core subject of the Diploma Program. Cathy and Dheepak of DP 2 made a team and Shatriya and Zach made the other. The students performed an excellent showcase of their critical thinking skills, independent thoughts, TOK insights and thoughtful conclusions. The presentations were focused on well formulated research questions, effectively explored in the context of the real-life situation, using convincing arguments, with investigation of different perspectives.





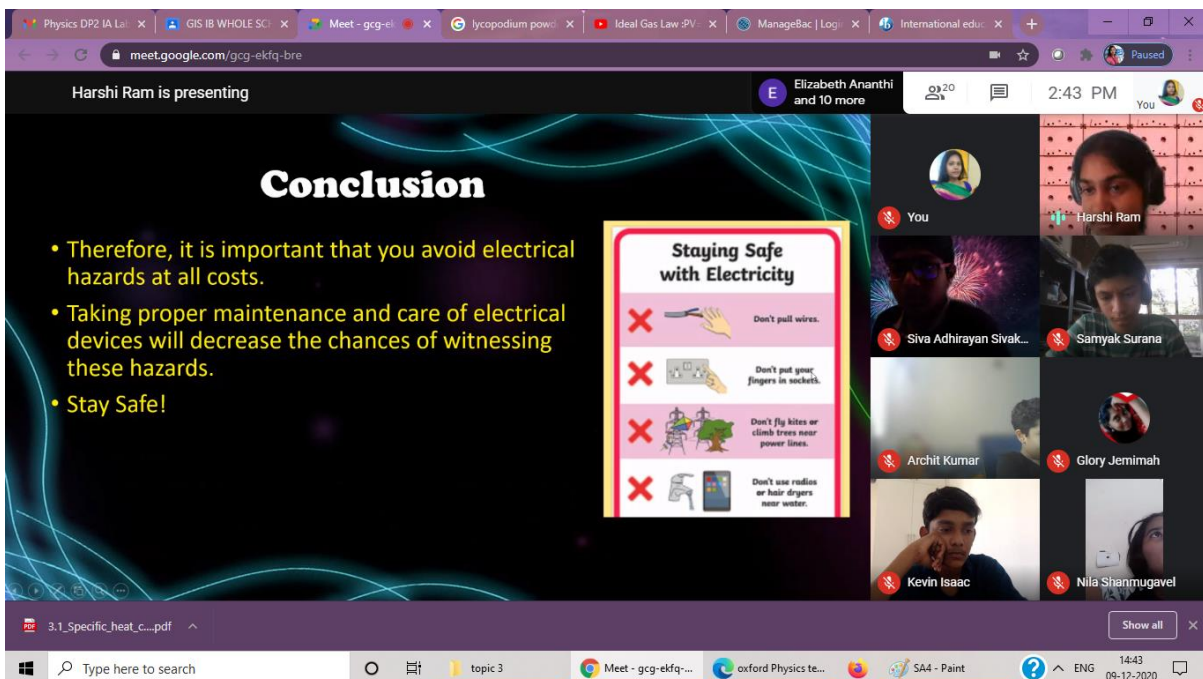
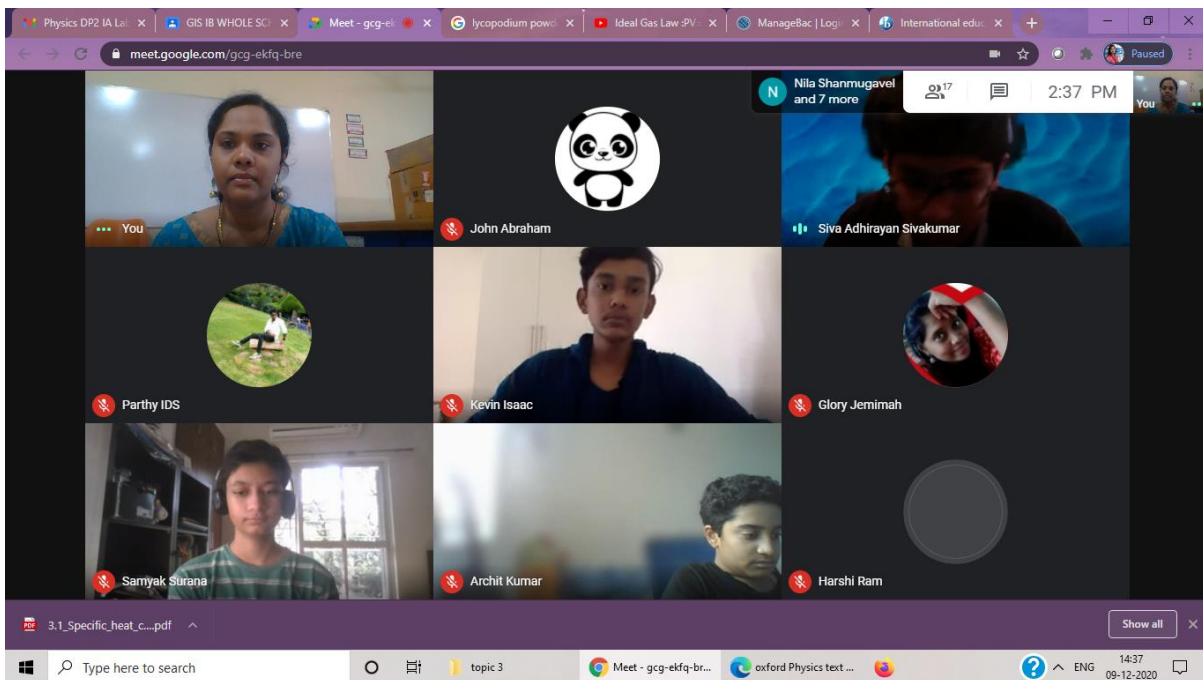
### **Physics MYP5 Service as Action - Electrical Safety**

MYP 5 students transferred their learning's and skills from the Physics unit 'Do you feel electric?' to the school community. Students of MYP5 conducted an awareness program on electrical Safety to the students of MYP1, MYP2 & MYP3. As students handle lot of electrical appliances in their day to day life, MYP 5 students decided to conduct an awareness program based on electrical safety to the students of our school as a part of Service as action. Harshita created and presented a PPT that explains the various electrical Hazards and their scientific causes. Samyak created and presented his own video on ways to prevent and overcome electrical hazards. Jayden and Oveya created the posted on Do's and Don'ts with electrical appliances for kids. Kevin and Shiva Adhirayan presented a virtual interactive

game on electrical safety that allows children to understand the possible electrical that can happen in the living room, bedroom, bathroom, etc.

Students enjoyed the awareness program and they gave correct answers while playing the interactive game.

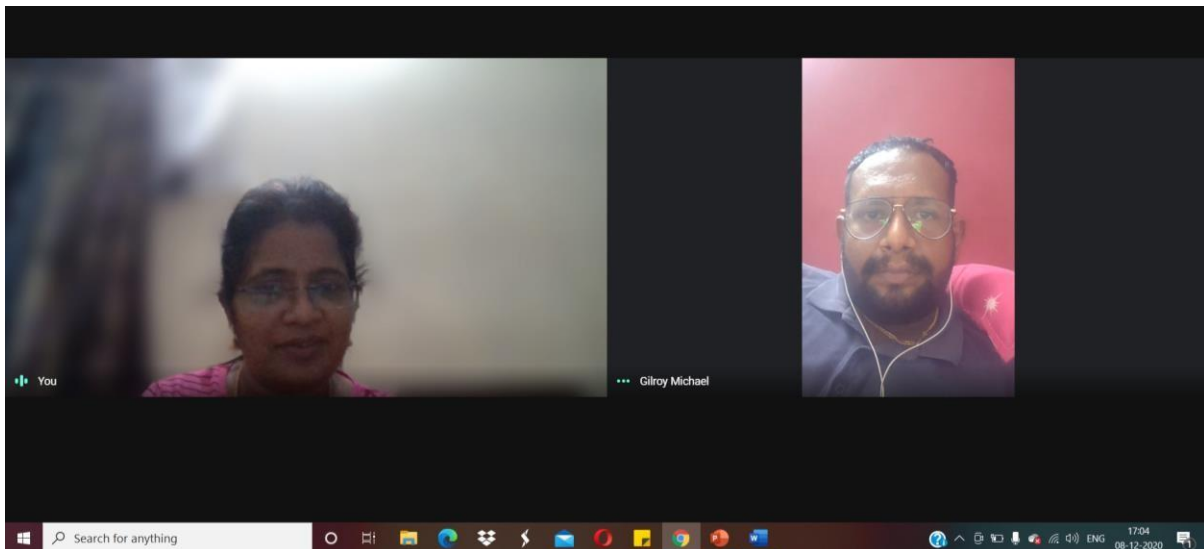
Evidences:



## **New Teacher Orientation Programme – 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020**

Teacher Orientation is important to lay a foundation for the new teachers, mainly to provide them with concise and accurate information about the ‘how things are done here’ to make them more comfortable in their teaching tenure. It contributes to more effective and productive teaching practices. The IB Programme is a challenging framework that encourages both the students and teachers to make practical connections between their studies and the real world.

Mr. Michael, IBDP & MYP Language and Literature facilitator was given orientation programme on 08<sup>th</sup> December to help him to adapt to the teaching environment. Ms. Sangeetha, DP coordinator gave a clear insight into IB curriculum framework structure and Diploma Programme.



## **STUDENT LED CONFERENCE- First Term 2020-21**

PYP Student-Led Conference (SLC) was held on the virtual platform on December 14, 15 & 16, 2020 for the PYP 1-5 students as they proudly showcased all that they learned during the First Term to their parents.

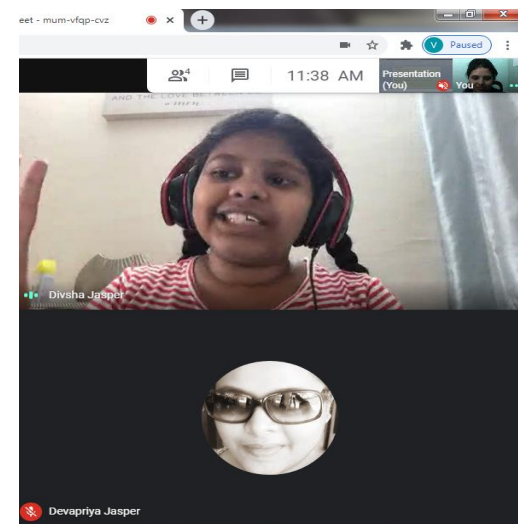
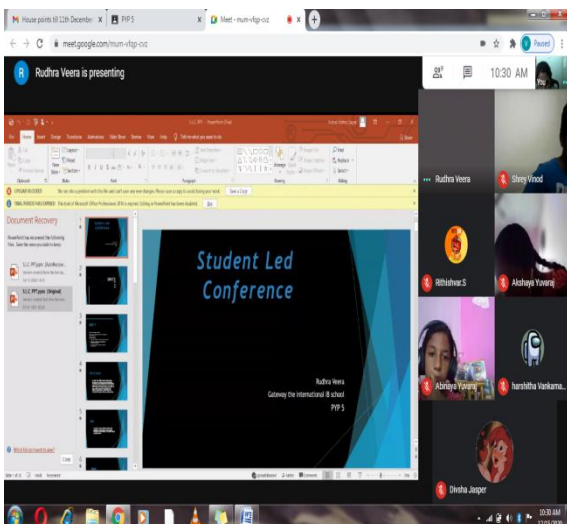
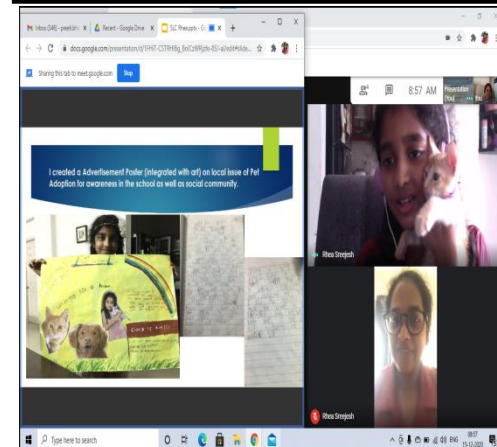
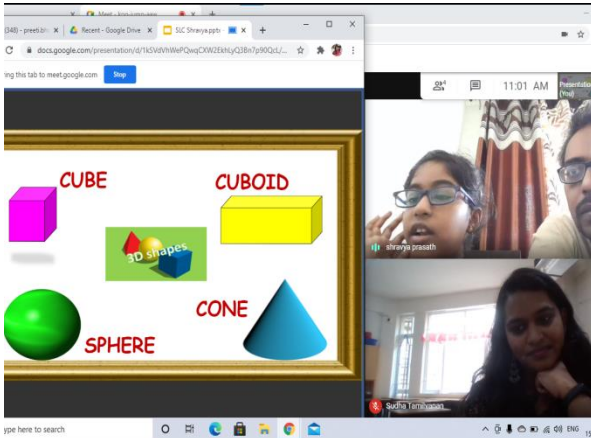
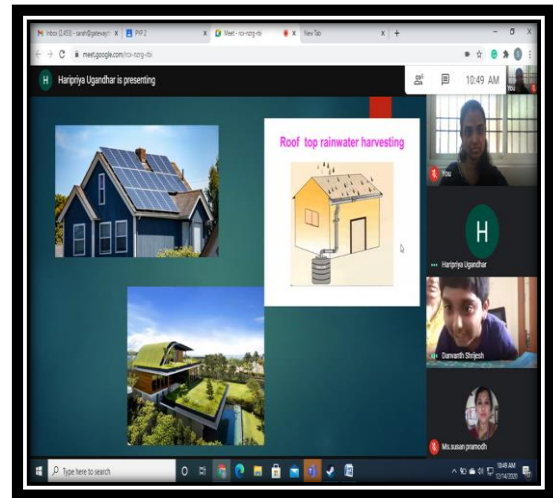
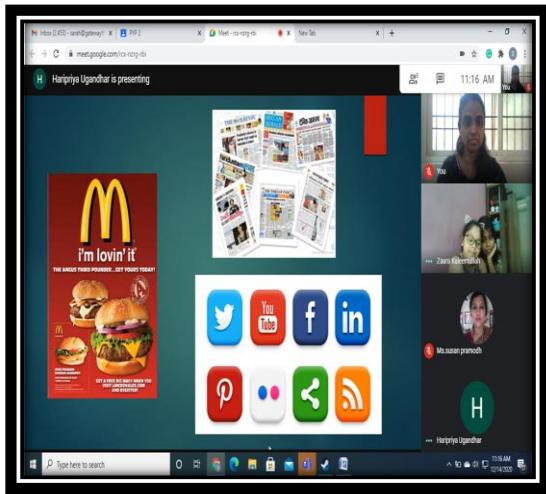
The SLC taught the students the basic principles of accepting responsibility for the work they do at school, to help them learn new concepts and skills, and to offer them opportunities to show their achievement to parents.

During student-led conference, parents became active listeners and learned how they can support their children's learning at home. Parents enjoyed seeing their children succeed, and student-led conferences naturally highlighted student success.

Students explained their conceptual understandings of Unit 1, 2 & 3 and integrated all subjects; Math, English, Science, Social studies, PSPE & Visual Arts. They also exhibited additional language into the Theme.

They were able to explain the contents on the Power point presentation and communicated with great confidence.

The parents were happy with the students work and were highly enthusiastic to see the outcome and recorded their feedback positively, motivating and encouraging the children to continue doing good work, and demonstrate active Agency.



Swechha Bhandari is presenting 9:56 AM

### UNIT-3

- Transdisciplinary theme: sharing the planet
- Central idea: children face challenges, risks and problems all around the world.
- Lines of inquiry:
  1. Different types of challenges that children face
  2. Who are the people helping children?
  3. Rights and laws to save children

Video thumbnails: You, Nishka Bhandari, Swechha Bhandari

## PYP 4 - Service Oriented Action Report on Acts of Kindness – Do a good deed help someone in need

The Acts of Kindness initiative by the students of PYP-4 was a big success. We identified the child welfare organization, *Cephas Foundation* and went forward to contribute our donations online. It gives me great joy to mention that as a team we were able to donate Rs. 9325 towards this good cause. The learners also had an opportunity to interact virtually with the Founder of Cephas Foundation, Mr. Prince Josiah and Co-Founder, Ms. Idaline Prince

Prince Josiah Jeyaraj is presenting 2:01 PM

### Maslow's hierarchy

- Self-actualization**  
desire to become the most that one can be
- Esteem**  
respect, self-esteem, status, recognition, strength, freedom
- Love and belonging**  
friendship, intimacy, family, sense of connection
- Safety needs**  
personal security, employment, resources, health, property
- Physiological needs**  
air, water, food, shelter, sleep, clothing, reproduction

Video thumbnails: Idaline Prince, and several other participants

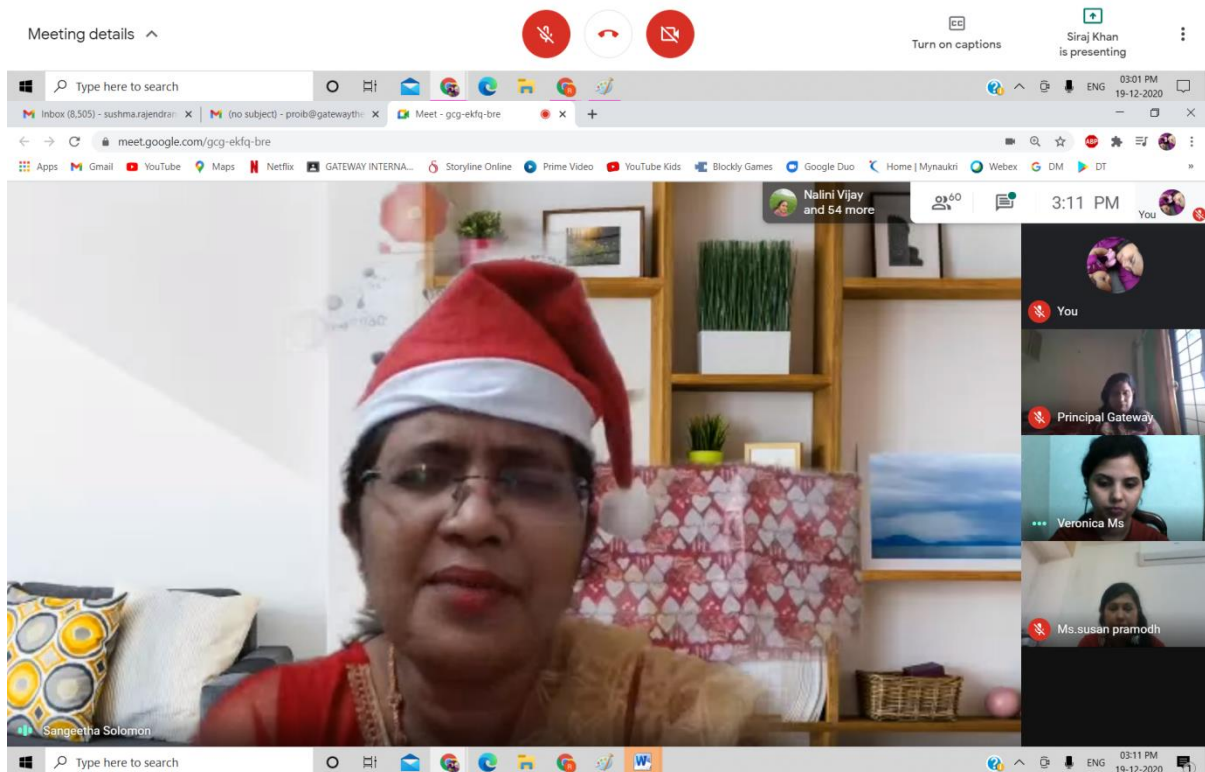
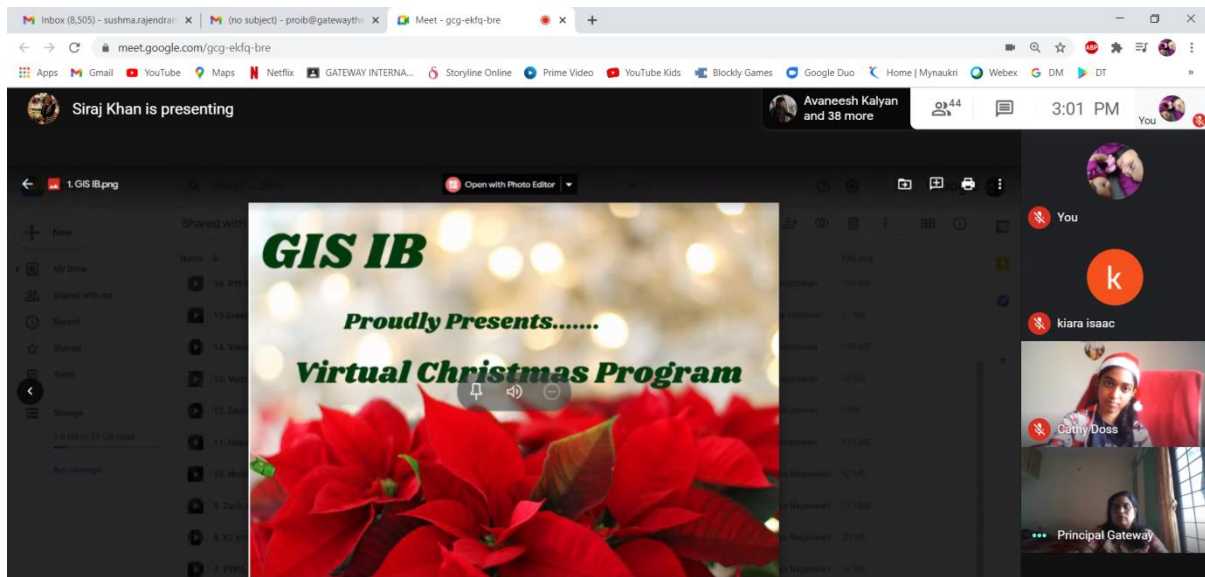
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students submitted their scanned answers scripts immediately after the duration of the examination. Examinations for MYP 4 and 5 students were conducted on exam.net. Language acquisition oral examination was conducted on zoom platform.

## Christmas Day Celebration – 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020


The Christmas Day Celebration was held on the 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020. The students and the teachers conducted a virtual celebration that was none the less a spectacular show that was entertaining. The spirit of Christmas was well understood and a great evening it was.



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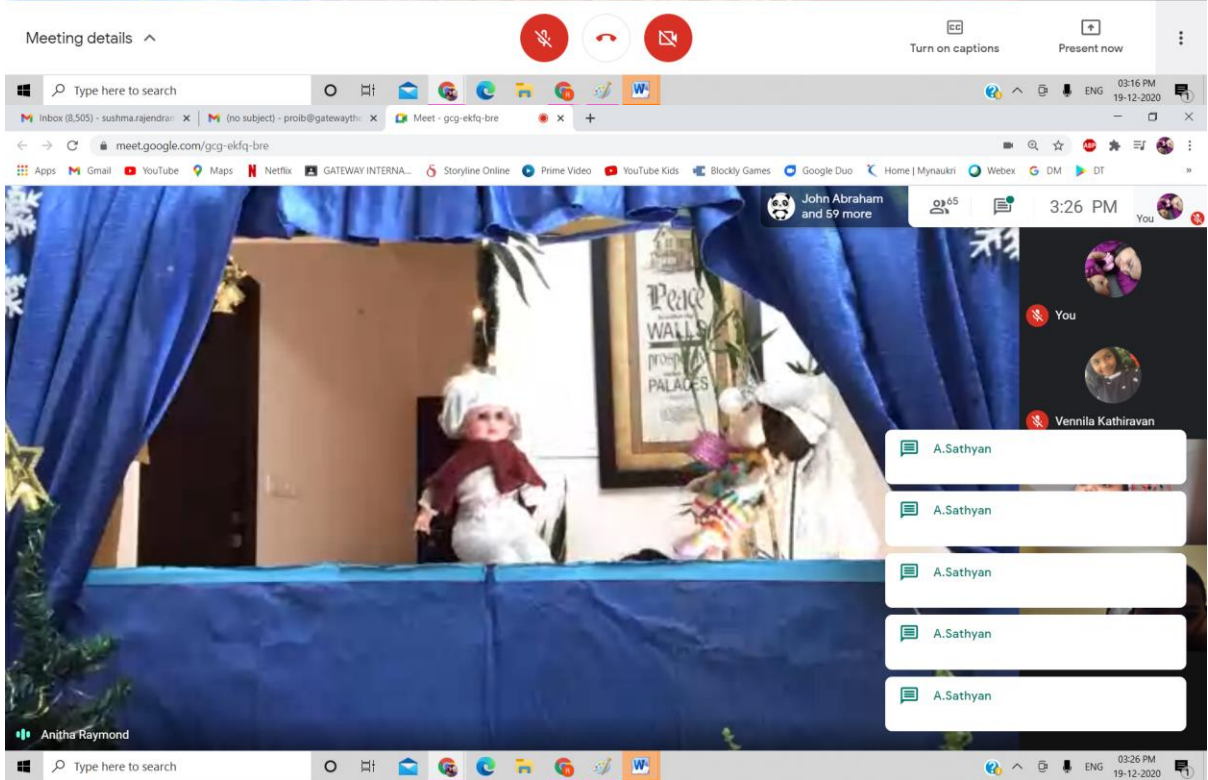
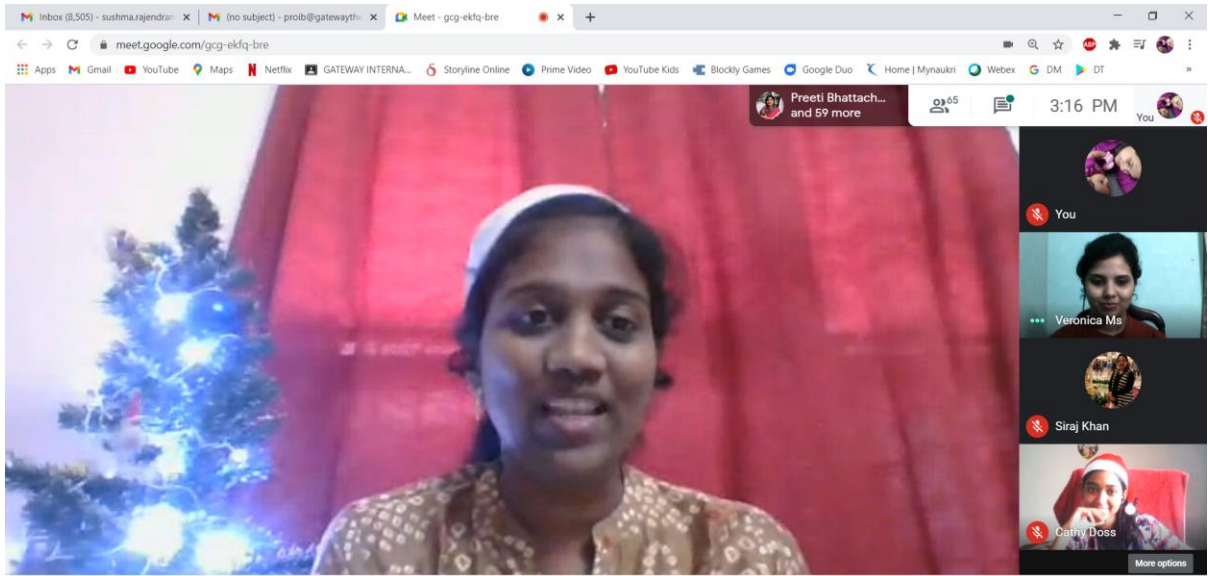
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### Hark the Herald Angels sing



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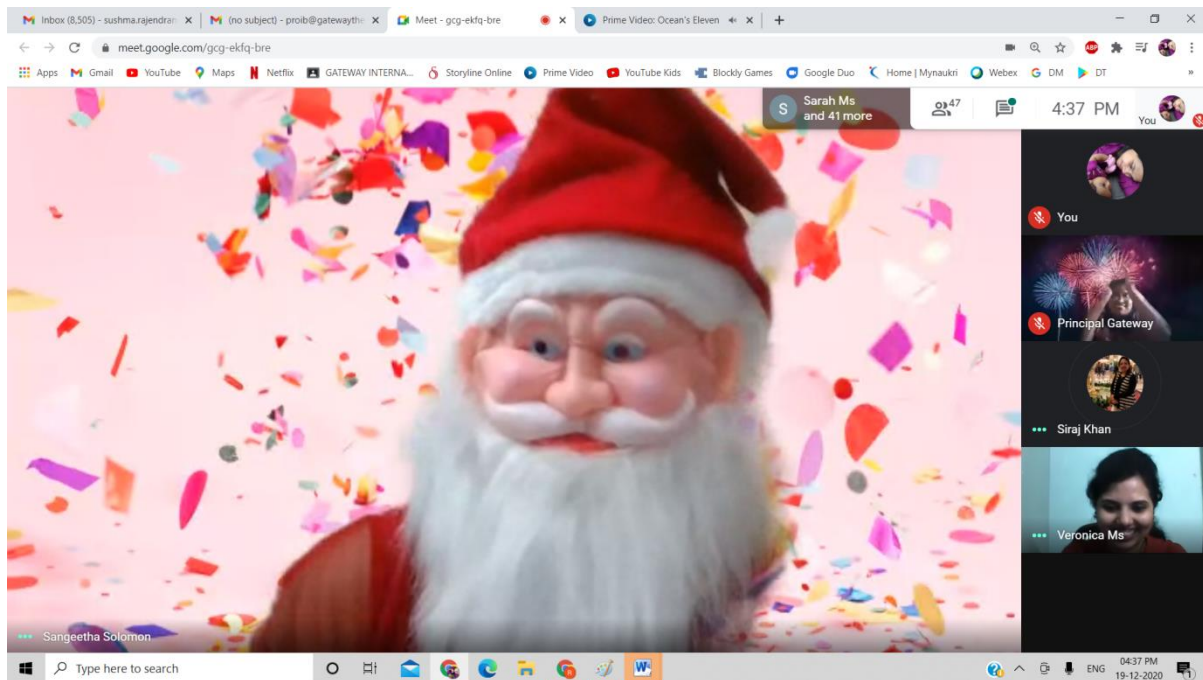
Sangeetha Solomon

Nishanthini Nishanthini  
Merry Christmas and happy new year all

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## **PYP , MYP AND DP Collaboration**

The PYP ,MYP and DP collaboration meetings were held every week and the following were discussed.

### **PYP**

- Meticulous Inquiry in the EYP &PYP
- Learning Engagements and subject integration into the Transdisciplinary Theme.
- Learning: Ensuring effective education
- Discussions on the inquiry in the EYP &PYP virtual classroom, the teachers shared the strategies that they displayed in the classroom
- Discussion with the EYP &PYP teachers on the overall planning of the curriculum
- Integration of subject focus into the theme collaboratively discussed on the relevant topics related to different subjects.
- Teachers discussed on the different strategies which enabled students actively develop thinking, research, communication, social and self-management skills.

### **MYP**

- Question papers to be submitted to the coordinator after receiving approval from the head of department.
- All portions to be completed by 1<sup>st</sup> of December.
- Revision to be given from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020.
- Guideline for revision plan
- Science and I & S teachers to research and submit materials and start teaching IDU for MYP5 class.
- Discussion among science and I&S teachers regarding the IDU term question paper.

DP

- The first term examination question paper must be submitted on or before 4th Dec 2020.
- It was discussed that the question papers should be taken as per the external examination pattern.
- Teachers were asked to discuss the grade boundaries to the students in the forthcoming week.
- Once approved by the Principal and Coordinator the question papers should be uploaded in the respective drives along with the grade boundary report and necessary formulae sheets.
- Revision worksheets should be sent to the Principal and should be mentioned in the weekly planner.
- Teachers duty list with responsibilities for next week was also briefed.

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**EYP – Adhrit Sandeep, K3**

It has been a pleasure to award the best student to " Adhrit Sandeep" from K3 for December 2020. Adhrit has demonstrated strong academic excellence in all subject areas. He gives his best in everything every day and he displays the learner profile attribute of being "Principled" and "Inquirer.". He loves sharing his learning with his peers.

**PYP – Danvanth Shrijesh, PYP 2**

Danvanth has attributed the IB learner profile as being Knowledgeable and an inquirer, he was curious in acquiring knowledge on the concepts of the different subjects during the unit. He had shown his creativity and innovation while exhibiting and demonstrating his understanding and the purpose of having organizers to his peers and during the whole school assembly.

**MYP – Iniya Baskaran , MYP 4**

**Iniya Baskaran of MYP 4** has been selected as the "**Student of the month - December**" she has displayed the attribute of being a "**Risk-taker**". Iniya is appreciated for performing the given task with full commitment and completing the task within a limited time frame. She is always polite to her friends and collaborates well during the class.

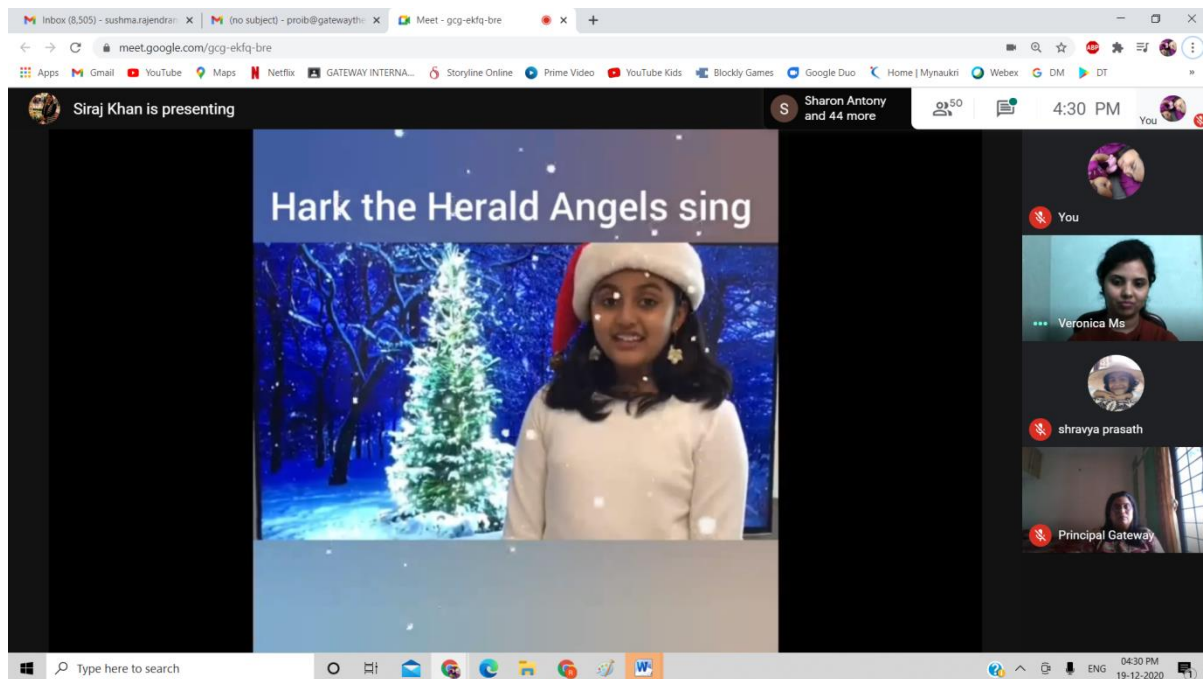
**DP – Deepak, DP 2**

I am happy to inform that Dheepak has been selected as the student of the December month from DP2. He has done a fantastic job of turning his work in on time, being respectful of both her peers and his teachers. He is compassionate and kind and he attributes the Ib learner profile 'Balanced'.



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