



# THE DAILY WATCH



As we continue with our semester, November has been an inspiring and dynamic month for our IBDP community. From participating in enriching field trips to engaging in CAS activities that foster creativity, service, and global citizenship, to thought-provoking projects and experiments that ignite curiosity, our students have embraced every opportunity to learn and grow. Join us as we reflect on the exciting milestones and achievements that have made this month remarkable. Here's to a November filled with innovation, collaboration, and the excitement of discovery!

# Halloween: A Spooky Celebration

This year's Halloween celebration at our school was a testament to the creativity and collaboration of the DP 1 students. Transforming the space in front of the music room into a haunted house, they brought chills and thrills to everyone who dared to enter. From a terrifying zombie crawl to a deranged doctor wielding a sinister injection, the haunted house was a carefully crafted nightmare. Visitors encountered Medusa, a blood-soaked butcher, a spine-chilling mime, and even Slenderman's piercing screams echoing through the air.

Rituals were staged, creepy music played in the background, and the atmosphere was downright terrifying—in the best way possible! While some DP 1 students collected entrance fees, others fully embraced their roles, scaring the wits out of their peers. The experience was equal parts fun and fright, leaving everyone with unforgettable memories.



Teachers and students waiting for the haunted house experience



The haunted house crew



The fashion show



## Interdisciplinary Learning at BRACNet

The DP 1 students went on a field trip to the BracNet data center. BracNet is an ISP that tries to reach the part of Bangladesh where there is a lack of internet through radio signals and fiber cables. The students of DP 1 went there to learn what a data center is and how it works. This field trip helped the students understand the logistics of a data center and how it works. The students also visited their server room to see how they keep all the data of the people in their data center. The trip helped the DP 1 students broaden their understanding of a data center and helped them understand it better. This was a fun and exciting way of learning outside of the classroom.



Token of appreciation from DP 1 students

The DP 1 students also had the opportunity to interact with experts from the BracNet team, who provided detailed explanations about the importance of data centers in supporting internet connectivity and how they ensure data security and uptime. The visit highlighted the critical role of backup systems, cooling mechanisms, and energy management in maintaining a reliable data infrastructure. Students were fascinated by the scale and complexity of the server room and gained valuable insights into the challenges of managing large-scale data operations. This hands-on learning experience not only deepened their theoretical understanding but also inspired discussions about potential career paths in technology and data management.



Victorious group of DP 1 students at BRACNet

## STEM Learning at EMK Center



Curious minds learning new things

The DP 2 students also explored the various programs offered by the EMK Center, including innovation labs, maker spaces, and digital learning platforms. They engaged in interactive workshops and activities designed to foster creativity and problem-solving skills. This visit not only enriched their understanding of STEM fields but also highlighted the importance of collaboration between countries in advancing education and innovation. The trip provided students with a deeper appreciation for cross-cultural initiatives and the role of technology in shaping the future.

The DP 2 student went on a field trip to the Edward M. Kennedy (EMK) Center, which is the flagship American Space in the South Asia region, established in September 2012. It is a significant platform for Bangladeshi youth promoting educational, cultural, and public exchanges between Bangladesh and the United States in collaboration with the JAAGO Foundation. In there, students got to experience the technologies and activities they provide, like STEM. The students got to learn more about STEM and get first-hand experience at the EMK Center.



Focused in learning the fundamentals of 3D modeling



## Celebrating Our Principal's Birthday

A sense of warmth and camaraderie filled the air as DP students, guided by our beloved teachers and Vice Principal, Ms. Chacko, came together to celebrate Principal Kamal's birthday. The highlight of the event was a massive cake, which everyone enjoyed after taking turns snapping pictures with the principal—students first, then teachers. The joyous occasion extended to our support staff, ensuring everyone felt included in the celebration. Principal Kamal shared stories and photos from his younger days, including his time in the Bangladesh Army, which brought a touch of nostalgia and admiration. The event was a heartfelt expression of gratitude and unity, leaving both students and staff with cherished memories of a wonderful day.



DP students wishing Principal



DP students giving flowers to Principal

## Future Showcase Project



Presenting future plans

The DP 2 students presented their future plans ahead of school as they get closer to their DP graduation. The students presented their school portfolio which includes their interests, strengths and achievements. Moreover, they presented their preferred universities where they would like to get admitted to. And lastly, they showed how the preferred universities align with their career goal.

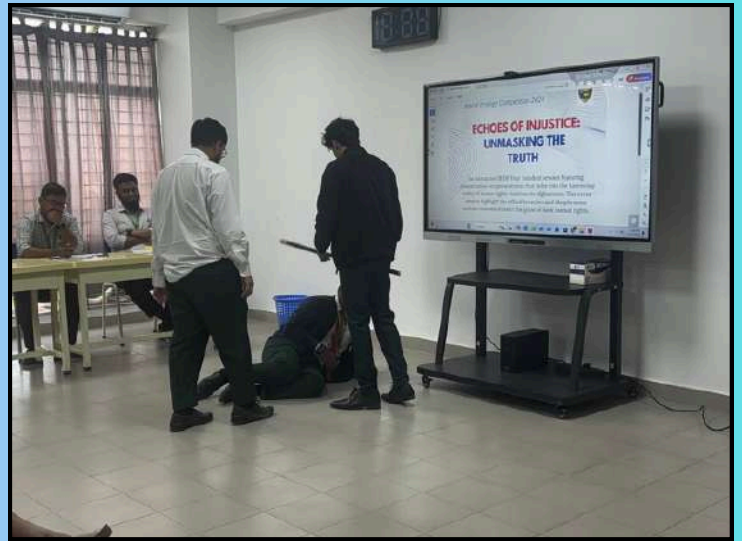
The DP 2 students also reflected on the skills they have developed during the IBDP, emphasizing how these skills will support their university and career aspirations. This presentation served as a platform for students to articulate their personal growth and goals, while receiving valuable feedback and encouragement from peers and faculty. It was an inspiring showcase of ambition and preparation for life beyond school.



Sharing future plans with peers

## Moral Prodigy

Human rights are neglected in various countries around the world. The DP 1 students had an opportunity to showcase the basic human rights of women being absent in Afghanistan. The students came in small groups and presented the issues along with its root cause in unique ways. Thrilling and intense role plays performed along with video edits presented really showed the exploration into the depths of this severe issue which the students have done. The performances were marked and in result, a winner along with a runner-up was decided. This moral prodigy project served as a CAS activity for the students which promoted international mindedness among the students.



DP 1 acting out the situation in Afghanistan



DP 1 showing the life of people in Afghanistan



## Mathematical Twist with Dr. Elsie Grosjean



DP1 students with Dr. Elise

Our school had the pleasure of hosting Dr. Elise, a French professor of mathematics with a PhD and an artistic flair. She captivated DP 1, DP 2, and MYP 5 students with her lecture on the fascinating intersection of mathematics and art, focusing on tiling and geometric patterns. Dr. Elise's passion for the subject shone through as she explained complex concepts with ease and enthusiasm. Accompanied by her loving mother, the duo encouraged students to express their creativity through a collaborative art project.

Using two large poster papers, students combined their understanding of math and visual arts to create intricate designs that blended precision and imagination. The session was not only intellectually enriching but also a refreshing way to explore the beauty of interdisciplinary learning. Dr. Elise's visit reminded us that mathematics is not just about numbers—it's an art form in its own right.



Students learning math in art and art in math



## Health Campaign at AusIS

The biology students of DP 1 and DP 2 collaborated with the school doctor to do a health checkup on the DP students. This checkup included basic tests like blood pressure, oxygen saturation, color blind test, and more. Doing a health checkup is necessary to check the well-being of the students. This campaign also helped the biology students get hands-on experience by testing the DP students. The campaign was very informative for the DP students, and this helped them better understand the importance of health.



Pulse testing



Biology students presenting the importance of health checkups

The health checkup campaign also served as a reminder of the importance of maintaining good physical health, especially during a demanding academic year. By participating in the process, the biology students not only applied their theoretical knowledge but also developed practical skills related to health assessments. For the DP students, it was an opportunity to learn more about their own well-being and raise awareness about maintaining a balanced lifestyle. The collaboration between the students and the school doctor made the event both educational and impactful for everyone involved.

## International Children's Day



Aniket Paul and his daughters

The celebration of Children's Day was a memorable event that highlighted the importance of child safety and cultural awareness. The performance by Aniket Paul and his daughter not only showcased the beauty of Bengali traditional dance but also created a space for students to engage with and appreciate their cultural heritage. The teachers' song, combined with the dance, made the assembly both educational and enjoyable, fostering a deeper sense of community and cultural pride among the students.

AusIS celebrated children's day in the whole school assembly in the auditorium. Our teachers sang a beautiful song that raises awareness about child safety and laws. Also an esteemed playwright, director, actor, set designer, and choreographer, Aniket Paul and his daughters did a dance routine that was a Bengali traditional dance. This helped enrich the minds of the younger students to understand the culture of Bangladesh and also helped the other students reconnect with the Bengali culture.



AusIS teachers singing for AusIS students



## CAS Fair

The DP 2 students did a CAS fair on Halloween day. Their stalls were decorated with Halloween-themed decor to fit the occasion. CAS Fair is an event that allows students to showcase their Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS) and to learn about the CAS component of the IB Diploma. In the CAS fair, the DP 2 sold foods like tacos and drinks like boba tea. They also had the PlayStation stall, which has been one of the most popular stalls in the CAS fairs so far. The CAS fair was enjoyed by the whole school, and it made the day more memorable.

The CAS fair was a vibrant and fun-filled event that highlighted the creativity and entrepreneurial spirit of the DP 2 students. By incorporating Halloween-themed decorations and offering popular food and entertainment options, they were able to create a lively atmosphere that resonated with the entire school community. Beyond just a fun experience, the fair also allowed students to reflect on and demonstrate their CAS learning in a tangible way, showcasing how their individual projects and initiatives contribute to their growth and development within the IB program.



The fortune teller

## Visit to Alliance Francaise

On Friday, 1st November, the students of Mathematics Analysis and Approaches visited the Alliance Francaise Dhaka to attend the exhibition of Dr. Elise Grosjean. She is a Mathematics professor from France with a passion for painting. She investigates the relationship between maths and art and uses this link to create mesmerizing art pieces that intrigued all audiences present. Elise began the session with a brief explanation of mathematical concepts used in art such as tessellations, tiling and infinity. Her session was very interactive and fun as she related popular games with the concepts. Afterwards, the guests were led to the exhibition hall where the paintings were displayed.



Exhibition Hall



Math Analysis and Approaches students

The students were delighted by this experience since it will help them while working on their Maths Internal Assessment (IA) and found the entire session engaging and fun. The students hope to attend more such exhibitions to broaden their understanding on the interlink of various subjects.



## Business Summit at IHSB



DP 2 students at the Business Summit

The DP students attended the Business Summit hosted by International Hope School Bangladesh (IHSB) from the 15th-17th November 2024. The summit aimed to foster business and entrepreneurial skills within the students. The 3-day summit included various competitions such as “Friedman’s Fallacy” which addressed economic barriers, “Pitch Perfect” where students pitched their own creative business ideas and “Marketing Mania” which tested the strategic skills of students.



Students receiving feedback from the judges

The carnival also featured an exhibition with student run stalls and had a celebration calling for innovation and the fostering of creative minds. The students enjoyed the celebrations and took part in the competitions learning new skills and collaborating with students from all over the country. The students look forward to other such events.



DP2 students with one of the judges!

## Edtour University Fair



Focused on university selection

The university fair was hosted again this month to encourage future graduates to directly interact with representatives from various universities from the United States. This interaction helped the students gain important knowledge on the application requirements and process for universities. Furthermore, the students clarified their queries about facilities and courses provided by the universities. This event helped the students develop a strengthened future plan after graduation.



Learning more about universities



Interacting with the representatives