

## COLOMBO INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



## **Senior Section Newsletter – February 2023**

Once again, we have had a busy start to the new term in the Senior Section with students and staff working hard in and out of the classroom.

A particular highlight was the Senior Art Exhibition, which was organised by the Art Society and held on



26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> January. This spectacular display of paintings, digital art, collages and photography was opened with great fanfare, including performances by our wonderful student drummers and

brass horn players, speeches and the lighting of the oil lamp. We then had an opportunity to walk through the gallery

admiring the pieces on display, which were genuinely breathtaking. Students had worked with so much passion and dedication - it was such a pleasure to see their creative talents!



Our Art Society President, Pinindi Weeraratne, should be particularly commended for the work she put in to make this exhibit such a wonderful success.

Our students' creativity has been on display on the stage, as well as on the canvas, as showcased in our



magnificent annual Musical Evening, which took place on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February. The glamorous 1980s



themed show included powerful renditions of Guns N Roses, Bon Jovi, Madonna and Richard Marx

among others, as well as special performances from our Choir and Orchestra. It was a star-studded night, with some truly spectacular costumes!

Once again, we also celebrated Independence Day in style with a thoughtful assembly with the theme of 'Unity' on 3<sup>rd</sup> February. As usual, our performers excelled and we all enjoyed coming together to celebrate this special day for the country.



Away from the school site, Year 13 Geography students travelled with their teachers to Sigiriya Village. The trip focused on collecting primary data to use in the Unit 4 research paper, visiting various cultural landscapes, including Sigiriya, Dambulla's Golden Temple, Kandalama Hotel, and their subsidiary eco-park and proved to be extremely enjoyable as well as highly educational. Year 10 Geographers also carried out field work at the Meteorological Department and the

Sport continues to be an important part of the majority of our students'

Disaster Management Centre this month, which hugely benefitted their understanding of the important work carried out by these institutions.



days and, with ISAC training under way, it is a busy time of the year to be a sportsman or woman. Congratulations to all students who took part in the recent International Schools Tennis

Tournament (pictured): our boys emerged champions and our girls second runners up. CIS under 20 girls also triumphed in the



Football Big Match against Gateway, as did our under 19 boys in the International Schools Basketball Tournament, beating Lyceum International School, Panadura in the final match – congratulations to both teams who played brilliantly. Our Inter-House events are continuing to be hugely successful, with some exciting contested battles on the pitch and in the pool. It is wonderful to see the commitment and enthusiasm of all students involved – we definitely encourage all our pupils to join at least one sporting activity, to help achieve a healthy body and mind!

We are thrilled to see so many university offers coming in from across the globe for our Year 13 students, who are now eagerly preparing for this exciting next stage. Our University Coordinators continue to work very hard to guide and support them through this process.

The Year 11 Mock Exams began on 20<sup>th</sup> February and we know our students are working hard both in and out of school. Similarly, our Year 12s and 13s are working hard to prepare for their forthcoming Unit Tests and our Year 10s are looking ahead to their Assessment Weeks next month. We wish all our students the very best of luck!