## CIS MAKES A SPLASH WITH A LUCKY 13!



The much anticipated twenty-seventh International Swimming Championship was held at the Sugathadasa Swimming Pool Complex on the 5th and 6th November 2022. The opening ceremony began with all twenty one schools flying their respective flags high and, as always, the atmosphere was electrifying. Music was pumping and an array of delicious snacks added to the uplifting ambience.

There was a fantastic competitor turn out of from CIS, ranging from under 10 to under 20. The Senior Swimming Captain, Aizah Shakir (12), effortlessly secured two silver medals coming 2nd in both 50m Backstroke and 100m Butterfly, along with a bronze in

the 50m Butterfly. Neoma Kahandawa (9) swam a spectacular 200M winning a much-coveted gold medal. She also secured two silver medals in the 50m and 100m Breaststroke girls' under 16 category. Anithra Johnpillai (10), the intermediate girl swimming captain, secured one silver medal in the 50m Backstroke and two bronze medals in the 50m Freestyle and 50m Butterfly in the same age category. Lakmith Karunaratne (13) did us proud as he represented



the under 20 boys and got two bronze medals in 100m Butterfly and 200m Freestyle. Last but not least, the girls' under 16 relay team comprising of Neoma Kahandawa (9),



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Senuri Cooray (9), Aanya Samarasinhe (11) and Anithra Johnpillai (10) won silvers in both the 50m Freestyle and 50m Medley Relays. That brought us a total medal count of 13.

Congratulations to all the students who achieved the required qualifying times and were placed in the top eight. It was a fantastic event and we look forward to coming back even stronger next year!