



# CGS Dhaka Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Students,

Happy New Year! We welcome you to 2026 with renewed energy and purpose.

At CGSD, we firmly believe that a great education happens both inside and outside the classroom walls. Our commitment goes beyond high academic performance; we are dedicated to developing every student holistically, nurturing their cultural understanding, athleticism, community service, and leadership skills.

The last few weeks have been a testament to this philosophy, packed with experiences designed to challenge and inspire:

**Duke of Edinburgh Awards:** We are incredibly proud of the dedication shown across all levels (Bronze, Silver, and Gold). The rigour of the outdoor experience at Matita in Chattogram was a particularly memorable and enriching experience for all participants.

**Round Square Conference:** Our students successfully participated in this annual event in the port city, exploring the powerful theme, 'Together We Rise.' Through challenging debates, engaging discussions, and hands-on activities, students built essential confidence, practical skills, and a strong sense of the power of working together for a great purpose.

**Royal Commonwealth Society Essay:** Our strong academic rigour was evident when results were announced. A record-breaking 256 students across CGS and CGSD attained Gold, Silver and Bronze awards, a significant jump from 141 last year! This achievement is a testimony to their academic competence and strong foundation. CGSD winners pictured below right. These combined experiences are what set CGSD apart, helping students grow into individuals who are globally conscious yet fiercely patriotic Bangladeshi citizens. We aim to ensure young people are continually inspired and challenged to become positive change-makers. We know that each student is much more than the sum of their awards; they are future leaders who can and will make this world a better place.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support and for entrusting us with the education of your child. We value our partnership immensely.

Wishing you all a joyful holiday season filled with cheer: Happy Victory Day, Merry Christmas, and a have a wonderful New Year, 2026!

Farhat Khan and Shereen Ispahani



## CGSD RECENT ACTIVITIES

The last few weeks have been hectic at CGSD, here are some of the highlights.

**RS Conference in Chittagong:** The annual Round Square Conference had eager participation from students of Classes 5 to 11. The theme 'Together we Rise' was explored through keynote presentations, discussion groups, team challenges and creative and outdoor activities.

**DEA at Matita:** The Duke of Edinburgh Awards (DEA) adventure trip at Matita (pictured above) was aligned to run immediately after the conference, making for a fun start to the winter term.

**Digital Footprint Session:** Classes 3 and 4 (below) participated in sessions with two guest speakers from Grameenphone, who shared valuable insights on responsible digital behaviour, online safety, and the importance of maintaining a positive digital presence. The interactive discussions and examples helped students understand how to navigate the digital world more safely and responsibly.



**Writing Workshop:** The Daily Star and AHZ held a workshop for O' and A' Level students on essential skills needed to craft authentic, compelling SOPs for university applications, particularly to leading institutions in the UK.

**Earthquake Drill:** An earthquake drill was successfully conducted at CGSD in late November to train students from PG to Class 11 on safety actions and evacuation procedures.

## CAMBRIDGE HIGHEST IN WORLD

Tamim (10G) achieved the Highest Mark in the World in Cambridge O' Level Additional Mathematics, which is truly a remarkable accomplishment and a moment of pride for our school community. We are immensely proud of his achievement!



## ZIA JOINS RS BOARD

Zia Mohiuddin, of CGS Upper has elevated our institution's standing within the Round Square community by securing a coveted position on the Board of Trustees. He won this election for RS Representative uncontested.



This honour caps a remarkable 22-year tenure at CGS, 18 of which he served as the dedicated RS Representative. During his service, Zia has personally led an astonishing 43 teams to RS and MUN conferences, across North and South America, Africa, Europe, and Asia. Round Square now has 280 member schools, many of the world's top institutions and the board consists of just 14 members.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	DATE
School reopens	11.1.2026
Shab-e-Meraj*	16.1.2026
Annual Athletics PG to Class 11	17.1.2026
Sarawasti Puja	23.1.2026
ACP & Talent Hunt	31.1.2026

