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## **New Parents' Orientation**

GISU senior management welcomes all new families that have joined us since August 30th 2021.

You are invited for orientation this Saturday 13th November starting at 10:00 AM. The event will take place on the school premises.

For our parents that may not be in the country at the time you can still join us virtually using the ZOOM link shared here below;

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/92374740203

We look forward to hosting you, kindly keep time.

As we come to the end this week, let us take a glance at what lies ahead.

Date (s)	Programme
29 November - 8 December	End of Term I - Exam period
09 December	Casual Activities day
10 December	Parent Teacher Conferences - End of Term I.





















## **Teaching Assistants Training**

On Tuesday, 09 November 2021, all new GISU Teaching Assistants were introduced to a professional development training. The training will skill the TA's through a variety of courses including Working as a TA, Learning Needs, Positive Behavior, Promoting Inclusion, Understanding ADHD, Understanding Autism etc.

GISU is proud to be partnering with The Association of International School Teaching Assistants (AISTA) to make this training possible and effective.





## Early Years favourite Animal Project work

Hi, my name is Isaac Kizito Jjingo. I am 3 years old. My favourite animal is a Panda Bear. Panda Bears live in mountainous places and their favourite food is Bamboo.

My Mum and cousine Maggie helped me do my project work.

























#### International Day for Tolerance

For its fiftieth anniversary on 16 November 1995, UNESCO's Member States adopted a Declaration of Principles on Tolerance. Among other things, the Declaration affirms that tolerance is respect and appreciation of the rich variety of our world's cultures, our forms of expression and ways of being human. Tolerance recognizes the universal human rights and fundamental freedoms of others. People are naturally diverse; only tolerance can ensure the survival of mixed communities in every region of the globe.

Education for tolerance should aim at countering influences that lead to fear and exclusion of others and should help young people develop capacities for independent judgement, critical thinking and ethical reasoning. The diversity of our world's many religions, languages, cultures and ethnicities is not a pretext for conflict, but is a treasure that enriches us all.

#### **Universal Children's Day**

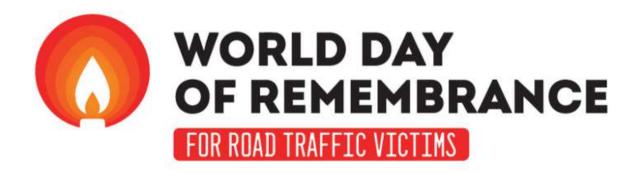
The United Nations' (UN) Universal Children's Day was established in 1954. Investing in our future means investing in our children — which is why the United Nations has designated every November 20 as Universal Children's Day. It's a time to promote togetherness around the world, awareness of the problems children face in every corner of the globe, and improve the welfare for all children.



# World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims

Since the adoption of the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 60/5, the observance has spread to a growing number of countries on every continent.

The Day has become an important tool in global efforts to reduce road casualties. It offers an opportunity for drawing attention to the scale of emotional and economic devastation caused by road crashes and for giving recognition to the suffering of road crash victims and the work of support and rescue services.























## Student's Perspective



## Living and Existing — The difference



The Cambridge English Dictionary defines existence as to be, or to be real. And it defines to live as (to continue) to be alive or have life. You may not realize but these are two very different things.

Living isn't just the state of having life, living is when you are grateful for what you already possess and thankful for what comes next, living is not worrying about what's going to happen tomorrow or dwelling on the past, living is experiencing every emotion in the present. If you are living – really living – you wake up with a purpose more than "I must pay the bills" each day. You have a dream and, for at least some of the time, you chase it.

Then we have existing. Existing lacks the true essence and meaning of life. Someone who exists would stay in the same dead-end job for years despite being unsatisfied and unhappy. Their fears have trapped them and they have no plans of getting out. They've lost hope. People who simply exist do the same boring routine every day even though they don't really like it. They don't take any chances on improving their life. This is because they are unable to take control of their decisions out of the fear of change.

Steve Jobs(Founder of Apple) used to wake up each morning, look at himself in the mirror and ask himself the same question, "If I was to die today, would I do what I am about to do?" If his answer was no for too many days in a row, he would make a change in his existing life, he is trying to live.

In conclusion, keep on doing the things you love, things that really satisfy your soul. Be in control of your life. Keeping in mind the difference between living and existing every day may help you choose and consider what you truly want. In the end you only live once, so stop existing and start living!



Nellie Stephanie Ossiya



















#### Teachers meet the Principal

Since last week, the school principal Dr. Ramazan Bayar, has been meeting and getting closer to teachers in the school over some light refreshments, in order to get to know each other more on a personal level outside the working environment.

This has been informal and more to do with favourite moments at GISU, welcoming new staff members to the team and sharing information.

It was interesting to learn a bit more about Mr Ramazan's background and upbringing in Kazakhstan.





## Wiseful Programme - Parents Consent

The Wiseful Academic Coaching Program (Year 10 -Year 13) is going to kick off officially in GISU.

A letter containing valuable information about the program and its benefits has been sent to you alongside a consent form that must be signed and returned to school.

For parents who would like their child to receive coaching services, the consent form must be signed and returned to the school.



## **Independence Days; Angola**

Galaxy International School Uganda would like to congratulate and wish families and friends from Angola a Happy Independence Day.



Angola 11 November



















#### The International STEM Olympiad 2022



The International STEM Olympiad is an international online competition platform in which students from Year 2 to Year 13 compete.

It aims to teach students computational thinking and concentrates on real world applications through problem solving. S(cience) - T(echnology) - E(ngineering) - M(ath).

Country elimination exams will be held on 06 February 2022 and the deadline for registration is 30 January 2022. The finalists will be announced on 15 February 2022.

Students who receive 60 or more points will be eligible to compete in the International Final Round on 27 February 2022.

#### The Participation fee is 20 € (approximately 82,000= ugx) payable to the school accounts.

All students who participate in the i-STEM Olympiad International Final Round will receive a certificate of participation.

- The top 3 students in each year group are awarded a Medal (Gold + Silver + Bronze). Hard copies will be delivered.
- The top 10% of the participants will receive a Gold Medal Certificate.
- The top 11-25% of the participants will receive a Silver Medal Certificate.
- The top 26-50% of the participants will receive a Bronze Medal Certificate.

#### All participants from Year 2 will receive a digital medal and certificate.

The top 10 students in each group will be awarded a Grand Medal (Gold + Silver + Bronze + Honorable Mention).

- The top 3 students in each group will receive a hard copy of Grand Medals and certificates by mail (Gold + Silver + Bronze).
- In addition, students ranked 4-10 in each category will receive a Grand Honorable Mention Certificate. Hard copies will not be delivered.

For Year 2 to 13, the top 3 students in each year group will be awarded a special STEM BOX by award sponsor CircuitMess. A total of 99 winners will be eligible to receive these awards based on their grade ranking evaluation.

For Groups: (Lower secondary/High school) The top 3 students in each group, who are in Year 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, will receive a discount to attend the i-STEM GRAND FINAL in GERMANY. These discounts and other terms will be announced on the i-STEM GRAND FINAL.

















## The International STEM Olympiad 2022



As GISU, we encourage parents and guardians to support our students in the classes mentioned to participate in this fun competition.

Resources are available on the i-STEM website https://stemolympiad.online/ for students to start preparing early.

We are happy to announce that in the last edition of this competition, one of our students, Samara Noronha, then in Year 8, was awarded a Gold medal for taking the 1st Place in the International Online STEM Olympiad 2021. Congratulations Samara!



For details about this competition, please contact

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## Next week's Snack and Lunch Menu

#### 15.11.2021 MONDAY

SNACK	LUNCH		SALAD BAR	DESSERT
Crispy Chips Cocktail Juice	Lunch  Vegeterians {  Soup	Forest Kebab beef in Oven Bag recipe Plain Rice Green Cowpeas Sauce Baby Corn Masala N/A	<ul> <li>Sliced Tomatoes</li> <li>Sliced Onion</li> <li>Coleslaw salad</li> <li>Pickle</li> </ul>	Pineapple

#### 16.11.2021 TUESDAY

SNACK	LUNCH		SALAD BAR	DESSERT
Coconut Scones  Black Tea  African Tea	Lunch  Vegeterians  Soup	Oven Baked Chicken Carrot Rice Mixed Vegetables Kashmiri Dum Aloo N/A	<ul> <li>Mixed Pasta Salad</li> <li>Apple Tomato Slice</li> <li>Grated Carrots</li> <li>Sliced Cucumber</li> </ul>	Cocktail Juice

#### 17.11.2021 WEDNESDAY

SNACK	LUNCH		SALAD BAR	DESSERT
Banana Muffins Black Tea	Lunch  Vegeterians  Soup	Beef Stew Oven Baked Brown and Plain Rice Cauliflower Sauce Channa Masala N/A	<ul> <li>Mixed Salads</li> <li>Red Cabbage Salad</li> <li>Onion and Parsley Salad</li> </ul>	Watermelon

#### 18.11.2021 THURSDAY

SNACK	LUNCH		SALAD BAR	DESSERT
Rolex Black Tea	Lunch  Vegeterians   Soup	Fish Fingers Vegetable & Plain Pasta Oven Irish Tomato Sauce Kadai Vegetable Recipe	<ul> <li>Green Mixed Salad</li> <li>Steamed Broccoli</li> <li>Sliced Onion</li> <li>Steamed French Beans</li> </ul>	Pineapple

#### 19.11.2021 FRIDAY

SNACK	LUNCH		SALAD BAR	DESSERT
Cassava and boiled egg	Lunch Vegeterians	Beef and Vegetable Burger Chips Green Cowpeas Sauce	Tuna Salad     Sliced Onion	Passion Juice
Black Tea	Soup	Paneer butter masala	Apple sliced tomatoes     Sliced Cucumber	rassion fuice