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INTER-HOUSE DEBATE COMPETITION

Dear Parents and Students,

Greetings!

We are pleased to announce the **Inter-House Debate Competition** as part of our CCA activities. The competition aims to provide students with a platform to develop **critical thinking, logical reasoning, confident communication and respectful academic discourse**.

Competition Details

Competition: Inter-House Debate Competition

Eligibility: Grades VI–XII

Format: House-wise competition

Participants: Four speakers from each House

Judges: Two judges for each group

Categories & Venues

Group	Classes	Venue	Periods
Group 1	Grades 6 & 7	Room 14 – Grade 6	2nd and 3rd
Group 2	Grades 8 & 9	Room 22 – Grade 9	4th and 5th
Group 3	Grades 10, 11 & 12	Room 33 – Grade 11	6th and 7th



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Competition Format

The competition will be conducted in **two rounds**:

Round 1 – Semi-Finals

The four Houses in each group will be divided into **two pairs**.

Each pair will debate on an allotted motion.

The **winner of each pair** will qualify for the Final.

The side of the motion (**For/Against**) will be allotted by the organisers.

Round 2 – Final

The two winners of the Semi-Finals will compete against each other.

The House securing the **higher total score** will be declared the **Group Debate Champion**.

Topics

Grades 6 & 7

Semi-Final 1: *Artificial Intelligence will make students better learners.*

Books are better than movies.

Homework should be banned on weekends.

Semi-Final 2: *School uniforms should be optional.*

Grades 8 & 9

- Semi-Final 1: *Schools should allow students to use AI tools for academic work.*
- *Should students be allowed to choose all the subjects they study?*
- *School students should be required to perform community service.*
- *Technology is making people less socially connected.*
- Semi-Final 2: *Examinations should be replaced by continuous assessment.*



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Grades 10–12

- Semi-Final 1: *Artificial Intelligence will create more opportunities than unemployment in the long term.*
- *Freedom of speech should have limits.*
 - ***Freedom of expression should take precedence over social sensitivity.***
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- *Technology has made human life better, but not necessarily happier.*
- Semi-Final 2: *India should prioritise economic growth even when environmental protection slows development.*

Rules & Regulations

1. Each House must be represented by **four speakers**, and all four speakers must participate.
2. The motion and the side of the motion (**For/Against**) will be allotted by the organisers.
3. Participants must speak only on the given motion and present **relevant, logical and well-supported arguments**.
4. Students may use facts, statistics, examples and real-life situations to support their arguments.
5. Speakers must listen respectfully to the opposing team. **Personal comments, insults or offensive language are strictly prohibited.**
6. Participants must demonstrate **understanding, reasoning and critical thinking** rather than simply memorising a speech.
7. Participants must strictly adhere to the allotted speaking time.
8. Use of mobile phones or electronic devices during the debate is not permitted unless specifically allowed by the organisers.
9. All participants are expected to maintain proper decorum and demonstrate good sportsmanship.
10. The decision of the judges will be **final and binding**.

Judging Criteria

- **Content & Understanding of the Topic**
- **Arguments & Reasoning**
- **Rebuttal & Teamwork**
- **Communication & Delivery Confidence**



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Each performance will be evaluated independently by **two judges**. The combined scores of both judges will determine the winner of each round.

This competition is an excellent opportunity for students to **think independently, analyse different perspectives, articulate their ideas confidently and engage in respectful debate**.

We encourage all students to participate enthusiastically and make this competition a celebration of **ideas, reasoning and effective communication**.

**Best Regards,
Principal
Ms. Chetna Patel**