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CHRONICLES



APRIL TO JUNE
2026



TERM FOUR

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EVENTS OVERVIEW

April

- Pohela Boishakh Celebration Cultural Program
- CAS Fair
- Curriculum Exhibition

May

- Pre-IBDP and WACE Orientation Session
- Edith Cowan University Session
- TOK Exhibition
- Annual Concert
- Graduation Ceremony

June

- IB meet
- University Session
- Award ceremony
- IBDP Three-way conference
- AUSIS Honours IBDP Teachers

This academic year has been filled with memorable events, achievements, and opportunities that have strengthened our school community. From celebrating the vibrant spirit of Pohela Boishakh and showcasing creativity and service at the CAS Fair, to recognizing the accomplishments of our DPI Award Ceremony and bidding a heartfelt farewell to the DP-2 graduating class, the past three months have been truly eventful.

Students also benefited from university guidance sessions with representatives from leading institutions and participated in the IBDP Three-Way Conference, fostering collaboration between students, teachers, and parents. Together, these experiences have celebrated learning, growth, and the vibrant spirit of our school community.

CURRICULUM EXHIBITION



The Curriculum Exhibition is a magnificent demonstration by the IB DP 1 and WACE students of their understanding of their chosen subjects. The exhibition not only serves as an outlet for the students to show their growth and development but also as a gateway for younger students to look into future prospects and develop their interests.

The unique ideas shown by each subject group were a demonstration of their understanding of their subjects, such as the brilliant demonstration by the physics students on Chladni patterns or the interesting and thought-provoking simulation regarding environmental-urban planning by the ESS students. The Curriculum Exhibition was thoroughly enjoyable and an educational experience for both participants and guests.



POHELA BOISHAKH CELEBRATION



The school welcomed the Bengali New Year with a vibrant Pohela Boishakh celebration organized by the DP1 students as part of their CAS Fair. The event transformed the campus into a lively cultural space, bringing together students, teachers and staff to celebrate one of Bangladesh's most cherished festivals. Guests enjoyed a variety of interactive activities, including face painting, games and entertaining stalls that kept visitors engaged throughout the day. A diverse food court offered an excellent selection of both traditional Bengali dishes and popular Western cuisine, allowing everyone to experience a mix of local and international flavors.

The celebration was further enriched by cultural performances from students across the DP, MYP and PYP sections. Through music, dance and creative presentations, students showcased the spirit and traditions of Pohela Boishakh. A standout performance by the DP students highlighted how Bengali communities celebrate the festival in different countries around the world, demonstrating that the joy and traditions of Pohela Boishakh extend far beyond Bangladesh. More than just a celebration, the event reflected the values of creativity, collaboration and service through the CAS program while strengthening cultural appreciation and school spirit. The fair was a memorable success and left everyone with a deeper appreciation of the rich heritage and unity that Pohela Boishakh represents.



CAS FAIR HIGHLIGHTS

Alongside the commendable performances, there was a CAS Fair organized by the DP-1 and Wace students. Combining the handicrafts, delicious snacks, traditional games and even henna painting into stalls allowed for everyone to enjoy themselves as they celebrated throughout the event, and making the day quite memorable.



SESSION WITH EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY (AUSTRALIA)



Right after school on the 5th of May, all DP 1 and WACE 11 students were all corralled into a university session that had subverted our expectations and delivered a memorable workshop that not only taught us students about the University of Edith Cowan but life skills that would remain useful for the future.

Though being not more than an hour, the entire session was jam packed with diverse information, at first showing off the history and attributes associated with the Australian university, inviting any and all questions, then pairing it off with a brief yet intensive introduction and game with QR codes and their involvement in our modern day.

This fun activity not only taught students about the everyday applications of QR codes and the technology behind them, but also encouraged teamwork and quick thinking through an engaging challenge. To conclude the workshop on a high note, students were divided into groups and tasked with creating an AI-generated song, demonstrating just how far artificial intelligence has come and how it can be used creatively and responsibly. Overall, the session proved to be both entertaining and informative, leaving students with a greater appreciation for emerging technologies while also providing a valuable introduction to the opportunities offered by Edith Cowan University.



TOK EXHIBITION



In response to their prompts, the students chose 3 objects to present to show their TOK understanding. Some chosen objects could be categorised as: objects from their 10th grade personal project, personally read books, school objects, traditional objects, and experiences themselves.

This was an outstanding TOK exhibition in which students expressed their understanding of their world through TOK, an experience that would be difficult for them to forget.

On May 7th, 2026, the DP year ones had their TOK exhibition where, after an entire year of learning TOK, and a month of preparing their TOK exhibition, finally got to exhibit 3 objects that demonstrated their TOK understanding. Even after facing challenges in making a background and a script, they were able to make outstanding displays and in-depth presentations.

Parents, students, and teachers were invited to witness the exhibition and many left with praise.

The most common prompt selected this year was "20. What is the relationship between personal experience and knowledge?". The exhibition also had the opportunity to see many unique prompts presented.



ANNUAL CONCERT



On the 21st of May, 2026, AUSIS had excitedly hosted the annual concert, where students could demonstrate their shining creativity to their academic peers and parents. This year's theme was "Five Elements of Nature." These elements were fire, air, water, earth, and space. MYP displayed these elements through a sweet love story using Pandora's Box.

They had performed a full-length drama with a script written by themselves. The elements of nature were used to truly display the works of love. The DP students had also done a short-length drama called "Court Room Chaos." It was filled with comedic confusion, nonsensical interpretations, and, of course, silly donuts. They also created their own original script. Kudos to both the DP and MYP for pulling off astounding musicals to showcase their creativity.



DP STUDENTS IN FOCUS



GRADUATION CEREMONY



Every graduating student arrived at AUSIS in the morning, dressed in their gowns and caps, ready for the big day ahead. Their parents joined them for the ceremony, and many even brought elderly family members along to witness the moment. It was heartwarming to see the students making their parents proud and happy.

The ceremony began with flowers presented to the chief guests. Then, one by one, students were called onto the stage as their names and the universities they had been admitted to, or were planning to attend, were announced. Each student received their certificate and officially graduated.



GRADUATION CEREMONY



The valedictorian speech was given by Wania Hassan, who delivered a heartfelt message from the podium about what her friends, teachers, and AUSIS as a whole meant to her. After that, the honorable chief guest, Dr. Abdul Hannan Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor of North South University, addressed the graduates.



The WACE valedictorian speech was given by Irfan Chowdhury, he delivered a heartfelt message towards the people accompanying his journey as well. After that, the honorable chief guest, Dr. Abdul Hannan Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor of North South University, addressed the graduates.



IB MEET 2026 AT AUSIS

Australian International School Bangladesh (AUSIS Dhaka) proudly hosted the first day of IB Meet 2026 on 17 June 2026, welcoming an inspiring gathering of IB authorised and candidate schools from across Dhaka. The event, organised under the IB Network Bangladesh and running from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, brought together heads of schools, IB programme coordinators, and career counsellors for a day of rich dialogue, professional sharing, and community building.



DAY 1

The morning began with a warm welcome and arrival session, setting a collaborative tone for the day. Parikshit Sen, Community Partnership and Development Manager for India, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka at the International Baccalaureate, delivered the first keynote presentation in person, offering valuable insights into IB community development and the evolving landscape of international education in the region.

Following a Q and A session led by Suman Sethi, Senior IB World Schools Manager, who joined via video call, participants engaged in a candid discussion on IB programme implementation and school development priorities. A group photo session brought together attendees before a brief break.



IB MEET 2026 AT AUSIS

The afternoon sessions were structured around three parallel streams: an IB Coordinators Meet, a joint session for Career Counsellors and IB Coordinators focusing on university guidance and student transitions, and a session dedicated to PYP Enhancements. A Head of schools' Meeting, running for 90 minutes, provided senior school leadership with a dedicated space for strategic discussion.

Robin Keshaw, Partnerships, Marketing and Communications Lead at Generation Global, presented via video call on the power of global dialogue in education, inspiring participants with possibilities for student-led international engagement. The event concluded with a vote of thanks and a warm lunch, leaving attendees energized and connected.

Schools represented on Day One included Springdale, International School Dhaka, Aga Khan Academy, Pledge Harbor International School, Crans Montana School, Aurora International School, Smart Innovations School, and Abdul Kadir Molla International School.

DAY 2

The second day of IB Meet 2026 extended the spirit of collaboration beyond the IB community, with AUSIS Dhaka hosting an engaging session designed specifically for non-IB schools in Dhaka. The event drew representatives from International Hope School Bangladesh (IHSB), Playpen School, Glenrich International School, Satarkul, and many other institutions, reflecting a growing interest among non-IB schools in exploring internationally benchmarked frameworks of education.

The programme opened with a Welcome and Introduction, warmly setting the stage for cross-sector dialogue. A keynote address by a spokesperson from the Dhaka Education Board provided an important national perspective, offering insights into the regulatory landscape and the evolving recognition of international curricula within Bangladesh's broader education ecosystem.



PRE-IBDP AND WACE ORIENTATION



On May 5, 2026, our MYP Year 5 students and their parents gathered for a pivotal Pre-IBDP and Pre-WACE Orientation Session. The afternoon was filled with insight, ambition, and a powerful sense of shared commitment to our students' future academic journeys.

As our students prepare to take the next major step in their education, this session offered the clarity and inspiration needed to navigate the road ahead.

Navigating Senior Pathways

To help families make informed decisions, our DP and WACE coordinators walked attendees through the unique structures of both senior academic streams:

IBDP

- The IB Diploma Programme (DP): Understanding the core components, rigorous academic expectations, and the holistic nature of the IB continuum

WACE

- The Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE): Exploring the flexible, robust pathways and structural benefits of the Australian curriculum



From demystifying complex subject selections to preparing for the everyday rigours of pre-university life, the orientation provided families with a clear, strategic roadmap for these exciting upcoming years.

SESSION WITH LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY (CANADA)



On the 24th of June, the DP-1 students were introduced to Lakehead University in Canada. A representative representing the university came and gave a memorable, humorous introduction to the university. He also handed out fliers and hosted discussions regarding the students' future goals.

Lakehead University is located in Ontario, Canada, with 3 campuses located in Thunder Bay, Orillia, and Barrie. It promises a good Canadian life, as well as a high-tier education, saying that it's top 5 in Canada in terms of university and number 3 in research.

The university also offers competitive scholarship rates, with the best offer reaching 40 thousand Canadian dollars. The lowest offer being 6000 Canadian dollars, which is still a considerable amount.

On top of that, the university offers assistance to international students, such as advisors for international students and free airport transportation.

By the end of the session, it left students who weren't considering the university before conflicted, saying that they might consider the university for the upcoming university applications.



IBDP YEAR 1 AWARD CEREMONY



The morning of the 25th of June marked a proud occasion for both the IBDP year 1 and WACE year 11 right before their 3-Way-Conference as students, parents, teachers, and staff gathered for the annual Awards Ceremony to celebrate the achievements of those who had demonstrated exceptional dedication and excellence throughout the academic year. Held early in the morning, the ceremony brought together the school community in recognition of students who had distinguished themselves across a variety of subject areas, such as in Creativity, Activity, and Service, as well as in Mathematics to name a few, reminding everyone that consistent effort and passion are always worth celebrating.

Recipients were invited to the stage to receive their certificates from our Acting IBDP Coordinator, Ms. Noufa Sadia, alongside our Acting Vice Principal, Dr Ponny Chacko. As the event transitioned to the WACE awards, the WACE Coordinator joined the ceremony on stage, who presented the awards to the deserving students in recognition of their accomplishments.

Our proud WACE awardee, consisting of:

- Academic Excellence: Laamia Nuzhat Hussain

And our proud DP awardees being:

- Mathematics: Oreen Shah Syeda
- Creativity, Activity, and Service: Aayan Anonnyo Rahman
- Language and Literature: Fardina Raihan
- Group 3, Individuals and Societies: Zereen Shah Syeda
- Theory of Knowledge: Aarshia Ansha Siddiky Bennett
- Language Acquisition: Mohammad Mustaeen
- Academic Excellence: Fatima Islam Neha

CONTINUING THE DAY



While the ceremony celebrated academic excellence, one of its most meaningful messages was that success cannot be measured by grades alone. Throughout the presentations, students were reminded that qualities such as perseverance, kindness, resilience, creativity, leadership, and a willingness to learn are equally important in shaping both personal and academic growth. By recognising these values alongside academic achievement, the ceremony served as an inspiring reminder that every student's journey is unique and that success comes in many different forms.

THREE- WAY CONFERENCE

DP 1 students had their Three-Way Conference with their parents and teachers on the 25th of June, 2026, during which the problems faced, possible improvements, and advice for future exams were discussed. Many students had shown proud improvements from last term, whereas few others had faced more difficulties. Teachers have expressed how proud they are of each and every student's improvements and hard work. We greatly thank the teachers for their words of wisdom and time offered to all the students. The students are expected to work harder and keep up their improvements for DP 2.



AUSIS HONOURS IBDP TEACHERS



The Australian International School Dhaka (AUSIS) celebrated the close of another successful academic year by honouring its IB Diploma Programme teachers with certificates of appreciation, presented by the acting principal.

The ceremony recognised the tireless dedication of educators who worked throughout the year to uphold the rigorous standards of the IB Diploma Programme. Teachers invested countless hours inside and outside the classroom, supporting students through assessments, internal evaluations, and university preparation.

The acting principal commended the team's professionalism and collective commitment, noting that the school's continued success as an IB World School reflects the passion its educators bring to their roles every day.

Colleagues, coordinators, and staff gathered to mark the occasion, with the celebratory atmosphere captured in a group photograph. The recognition serves as both a reflection of the year's achievements and an inspiration heading into the next academic year.

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