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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Mukhammadali Nurullaev:
*"CST has been the perfect
place for me to grow"*

INNOVATION LAB

*A new space for
creativity, collaboration,
and innovation*

STUDENT COUNCIL

*Get ready for the
elections!*

MARCH 2025

**CELEBRATING
EXCELLENCE AND GROWTH**

**WHAT'S NEW ON
CAMPUS?**



Message from the Principal

Welcome to another exciting chapter at the Canadian School of Tashkent! As we are close to completing our third academic year, I reflect on the incredible journey that has brought us here and the goals we have set for the future.

Our first year was a year of building the foundation for what would become a dynamic and forward-thinking institution, bringing world-class Canadian education to Uzbekistan for the first time. In our second year, we focused on assembling an exceptional team of educators and staff. With the support of this amazing team, we have been able to ensure that every student is provided with the right care, attention, and resources they need to succeed in their academic journey.

Now, in our third year as a Nova Scotia licensed international school, we are more committed than ever to expanding our horizons and elevating the educational experience we provide. We aim to foster a learning environment where students are not only academically strong, but also globally-engaged, curious, and proactive in solving real-world problems.

As we look forward to the future, we are eager to see the incredible accomplishments our students will achieve.
Thank you for being part of this journey!

*Warm regards,
Feruza Tuychieva
Principal, Canadian School of Tashkent*



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What's new on campus?

Our upgraded facilities now include science labs, modern spaces designed for collaborative learning, and a newly renovated library. Additionally, we are embracing digital advancements to enrich our curriculum. Each student is now equipped with tablets that allow for interactive learning and immediate access to resources. This is just the beginning. Soon we will have new spaces



Teachers' Lounge

a collaborative, retreat zone for teachers. It is a welcoming space where teachers can relax, collaborate, and recharge.



The Excellence Hall

a versatile venue designed for gatherings, conferences, and school-wide events.



The Retreat Zone

it is a cozy, inviting space where students can unwind, socialize, and collaborate. Designed as a zone for coworking, retreat and connection, this lounge offers a perfect environment for downtime between classes.



The Studio

is built for working on media projects and creating digital materials. Equipped with everything needed for production, this space is ideal for students to engage in visual arts, design, and multi-media projects.



The Happy Corner

Studies should be fun, especially for the little ones! The Happy Corner offers just that! It is a fun space for young students to find thoughtful gifts and souvenirs. Have fun, be active, and engage in fun activities!

The Token System

We are excited to introduce Tokens to recognize and reward positive behaviors, academic excellence, and personal growth at our school. This system offers a fun and engaging way to celebrate students' achievements!



Ways to Earn Tokens:

Students can earn tokens in several categories! Below are the main ways to gain them:

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Resolve conflicts independently.
Correct mistakes without prompting.
Lead inclusive activities.
Perform impactful acts of kindness.
Achieve personal milestones.
Excel academically or show significant growth.



LEADERSHIP AND INITIATIVE

Volunteer for extra roles.
Inspire others to follow rules.
Solve problems or organize tasks.
Suggest improvements for the classroom.



ACADEMIC EFFORT AND ACHIEVEMENT

Improve in a subject or skill.
Excel in challenging tasks.
Participate in discussions.
Show creativity in work.
Win or excel in competitions.
Deliver impressive presentations.



TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION

Participate actively in group work.
Lead group projects.
Encourage everyone to contribute.
Support classmates in reaching goals.



RESPECT FOR OTHERS

Listen when others speak.
Follow directions quickly.
Be polite and use kind words.
Respect others' belongings and school property.



INSTANT TOKEN AWARDS

Complete assignments on time.
Start and finish tasks independently.
Keep your space tidy.
Bring all your needed materials.
Help clean common areas.
Stay focused in class.



KINDNESS AND EMPATHY

Help classmates who struggle.
Include everyone in activities.
Assist teachers and staff.
Give compliments and encouragement.
Resolve conflicts peacefully.



SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL GROWTH

Apologize and make amends.
Manage stress well.
Reflect on and improve your behavior.
Help peers manage emotions.



CITIZENSHIP AND SCHOOL SPIRIT

Participate in school events.
Wear your uniform proudly.
Advocate for school values.
Keep the school clean and safe.



CREATIVITY AND PROBLEM-SOLVING

Innovate during projects.
Create original works.
Solve problems creatively.



Rewards Menu:

Explorer Rewards: 10-20 Tokens | Achiever Rewards: 20-40 Tokens | Champion Rewards: 40-60 Tokens

How It Works:

Students earn tokens by demonstrating positive behaviors and redeem them for exciting rewards and special privileges.

Celebrations!



New Year Concert 2024

CST is a vibrant and inclusive community where students, staff, and families come together to celebrate diversity, culture, and the joy of learning. Our calendar is filled with exciting events that not only showcase the talents and creativity but also bring our school community closer.

International Day

CST is a home for more than 20 nationalities that come from all parts of the world and this is something worth celebrating! On International Day we celebrate the rich cultural diversity of our community, with each class representing a different country. From traditional food and clothes to vibrant performances, this day provides a unique opportunity for us to share our heritage and learn about the world's diverse cultures.

Cultural Events

Whether it's celebrating local festivals or marking global milestones, cultural events at CST create an immersive learning environment where we explore the world through art, music, dance, and cuisine. These celebrations are a chance for us to broaden perspectives and deepen our understanding of the world around them.

New Year Concert

What better way to celebrate the end of the year than a grand New Year concert! CST New Year's concert is the most anticipated tradition that brings us together in a festive mood. With performances by students, and teachers alike, this event is filled with music, dance, and holiday cheer.

CST Bazaar

Get ready for the future! From the very beginning of CST Bazaar day, students are fully immersed in the entrepreneurial process - from brainstorming market ideas to planning product categories and setting prices. They manage finances, negotiate with customers, and employ marketing strategies to promote their goods. The Bazaar is a challenge for teamwork, communication, and problem-solving. Through this experience, students improve their skills that lay the foundation for their future careers.



Robotics class
Grade 9 Students
Alan Mutlu & Mardonbek Rakhimov



Innovation Lab launch and student-led projects

Join the Innovation Lab – a modern space designed for creativity, collaboration, and innovation. It is a center for a variety of student-led projects, where students can experiment with new ideas, and collaborate with peers.

These projects allow students to use their knowledge and challenge their skills.



Robotics Workshop



3D Printing Projects



Coding and AI Mini-Lab



Designing a Robot that can Speak in Uzbek Language

In Robotics Workshop you will have the chance to:

- Build and program simple robots using kits like Arduino
- Participate in school competitions, such as line-following robots or obstacle-avoidance challenges

Participate in 3D Printing Projects where you will:

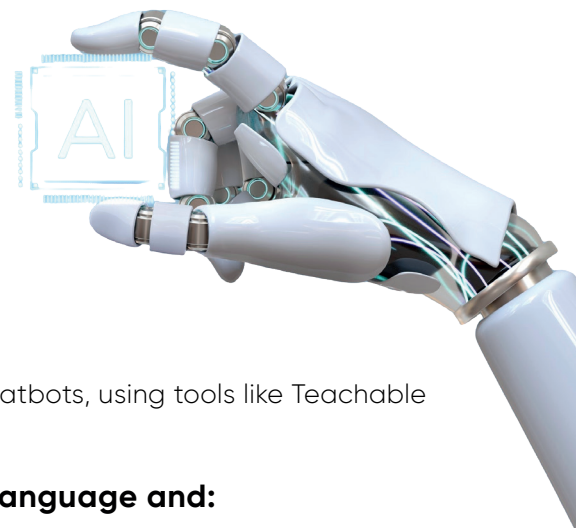
- Learn to design using CAD software like Tinkercad
- Create practical objects or artistic pieces

Learn Coding and AI Mini-Lab through

- Beginner-friendly platforms like Python for coding fundamentals.
- Incorporating AI-based projects, such as image recognition or chatbots, using tools like Teachable Machine or OpenAI APIs.

Take part in Designing a Robot that can speak in Uzbek language and:

- Collaborate with art teachers to design the physical structure of the robot
- Choose an appropriate microcontroller for the robot, such as a Raspberry Pi or Arduino
- Develop software to enable the robot to speak in Uzbek and perform specific tasks effectively



Welcome The New CST Vice Principles

Vice Principle of Secondary



Kalina Dimitrova is our Secondary School Vice Principal. She has over 10 years of experience teaching across KS1 to KS4 in international school settings. Currently pursuing a Master's in Education from the University of Essex, she also holds Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) from the University of Sunderland. Her diverse teaching journey has taken her around the world, from Bulgaria to China, India, and now, Uzbekistan. This international experience has enriched her teaching style, making her adaptable and insightful in the classroom.

Vice Principle of Upper School



Jean-Paul Bhikarry has joined the SCT team as the Vice Principal of Upper School. He has over 18 years of experience internationally, holding multiple advanced degrees: M.Ed. in TEFL and an M.Sc. in curriculum & instruction. His journey from EFL teacher to curriculum specialist and educational leader is marked by continuous professional growth, including CELTA certification, American Teaching License, and UK Quality Teacher Status. As a Google Certified Educator, he embraces technology's potential to transform learning experiences and prepare students for future challenges. Jean-Paul's teaching philosophy centers on fostering critical thinking and problem-solving skills, believing these are fundamental elements of student success in today's rapidly changing world. He consistently leverages innovative teaching methods and digital tools to create engaging, student-centered learning environments.

Heard about the PowerSchool?

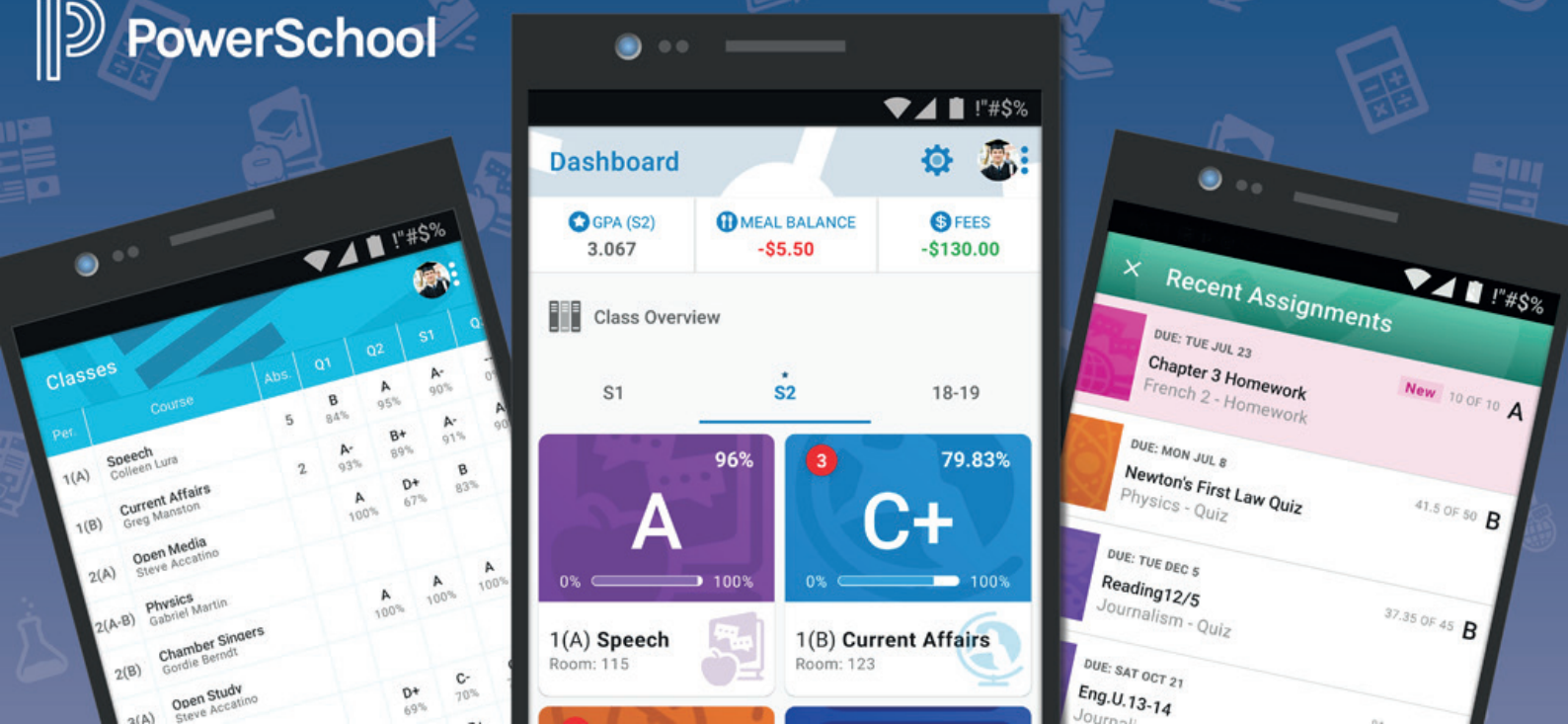


As you know, this year we introduced PowerSchool, a platform that is transforming how we manage and engage with learning. PowerSchool is a globally recognized leader in cloud-based software for K-12 education.

With almost 30 years of experience, the platform supports over 50 million students worldwide. Student registration, attendance, grading and assessments – all streamlined in one user-friendly platform. Teachers can access real-time data, manage assignments, and monitor student progress, while administrators can oversee operations and ensure compliance with regulations.

Seamless integration creates easy communication between all participants – students, teachers, and parents – keeping everyone informed and involved. Parents can now track their child's progress easily – directly through the platform. This news might scare the students or excite the parents.

But one thing for sure: this level of transparency empowers both parents and students to stay actively involved in the learning process.



Teacher Contributions

Abdel Karim, Science Teacher

Mr. Abdel Karim Al Jebeai, favorite Science teacher of our students, transforming how they engage with science. With degrees in biochemistry and drug development research, Mr. Abdel Karim initially pursued pharmaceuticals before shifting to teaching. Starting as a part-time teacher, he quickly advanced, teaching in Lebanon and Saudi Arabia, where he became Head of the Science Department and earned multiple awards for excellence in education despite his young age. Believing in inquiry-based, project-based, and real-world learning, he encourages students to think critically, ask questions, and apply science practically. He fosters freedom of thought and respect, ensuring all students feel valued. His lessons incorporate technology, case studies, virtual labs, and interactive simulations, which makes science engaging and accessible for all. Mr. Abdel Karim has also been recognized for his leadership and teaching methods and was recently chosen as Teacher of the Year for the Kardan Awards at CST. His achievements include organizing a large-scale science fair and mentoring students in competitions like Greenwich, FLL, and STEAM Fair projects. Beyond academics, he supports students in career exploration and university applications. Committed to respect, empathy, and innovation, he inspires students to not only excel in science but develop lifelong skills.

Thank you, Mr. Abdel Karim, for your dedication and passion for educating young minds!

A portrait of Mr. Abdel Karim Al Jebeai, a man with a beard and mustache, wearing a dark blue suit, white shirt, and a red patterned tie. He is smiling and has his arms crossed. The background is a light grey gradient.

“My mission is not just to teach science, but to inspire students to love it, practice it, and succeed in life.”

Football Tournament

October and November were exciting months for our football team. On October 5, CST participated in the football tournament hosted by Tashkent International School where our athletes demonstrated teamwork, dedication, and the competitive spirit. Further on,

- on November 18, the CIS High School football team triumphed in a friendly match against the Japanese International School. We look forward to more achievements and continued success in future competitions and our annual CST Sports Day.



November 14. Football Day at CST!
Congratulations to the team!

CST Values in Action: Student Ambassadors

How about we have student ambassadors at school?

To further implement our CST values: Collaboration, Respect, Commitment, Excellence, and Growth, we are excited to announce the launch of the Student Ambassadors program! The main goal of the Student Ambassadorship is to develop leadership, represent the interests of students and involve them in school life. The Council represents students at all levels, helping them develop not only leadership but also organizational skills, as well as participate in charitable and community initiatives. The student ambassadors will work closely with teachers and staff to organize events, promote school values, and support various initiatives.

Meet The Ambassadors



Turdikulov Behruz,
Grade 10

Behruz is a passionate learner with a love for gaming, especially single-player indie games that inspire creativity and storytelling. He values communication and enjoys exploring new ideas, always seeking personal growth through discovery and experience.

Three interesting facts about him:

- ✓ *He has traveled to 10 different countries, gaining insight into diverse cultures.*
- ✓ *He has explored over 10 different activities but is still searching for the perfect one.*
- ✓ *In 2024, he completed more than five video games, which helped sharpen his focus and creativity.*

Three interesting facts about him:

*"A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new."
– Albert Einstein*





Mukhammadali Nurullaev,
Grade 10

Mukhammadali is passionate about football, volleyball, and robotics, particularly the FLL tournament. He also enjoys MUN debates, which help him sharpen his public speaking skills for the future.

Plan as an ambassador:

Mukhammadali aims to make school feel like a second home for students—a place where they feel comfortable and supported. His goal is to ensure that CIS remains the most welcoming and friendly school among its peers.

Three interesting facts about him:

- ✓ Loves playing football and volleyball.
- ✓ Passionate about robotics and technology.
- ✓ CIS is the second school he has attended.

Quotes that motivate him:

"Paradise is under mothers' feet."

"You have to lose a million to get a billion."

"Education is the movement from darkness to light."



Yasmin Kurbanova,
Grade 10

A dedicated student at the Canadian International School of Tashkent, Yasmin strives for academic success through hard work and perseverance. Beyond the classroom, she's passionate about tennis, photography, and robotics—constantly sharpening her skills in competition, creativity, and problem-solving. Debating has also helped her grow into a confident communicator.

Plan as an ambassador:

As a school ambassador, Yasmin is committed to supporting her peers and fostering a positive school environment. She aims to strengthen connections, encourage collaboration, and ensure every student feels heard and valued.

Three interesting facts about her:

- ✓ She loves meeting new people.
- ✓ She enjoys building LEGO flowers and cars.
- ✓ She finds joy in organizing closets and drawers.

Quotes that motivate him:

"The mind is everything. What you think, you become."



Parent and Community Engagement



We believe that education is a shared journey – one where parents, teachers, and school leadership work together to ensure the success and well-being of every student. When parents are actively involved in their child's education, it fosters a more supportive and engaging learning environment. One of the key ways we strengthen this partnership is through our regular parent-teacher meetings. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity for parents to engage directly with teachers, discuss their child's academic progress and behavior, and collaborate on strategies to support their growth. Let's hear what some of our parents have to say about their experiences!

Together, we can create a strong foundation for student success. Thank you to all our parents for your continuous support and involvement!

"My three kids study in this school. I am very satisfied with the quality of education they provide here, especially, the individual approach teachers have toward each of them. Because each child is different with their unique personalities and perspectives, and the school approaches them based on these qualities. Thanks to this, the overall performance and self-confidence of our kids have been growing by each semester. I am very grateful."

-Malika Abdunazarova

"My daughter is Grade 6 student. As I work on her education and personal behaviour, I find the parent-teacher tradition of CST very useful. It gives an opportunity to collaborate with teachers and school management to keep record on the child's development and has a positive impact on the overall quality."

-Nilufar Sotiboldieva

"We are very happy that we sent our child to this school. It helped us reveal all his hidden talents and capabilities. It is after he started his studies here that I found out that he is interested in math and is linguistically inclined. There have been many positive psychological and intellectual changes, I am happy about it and will send my other children too, once they grow up."

-Nilufar Kadirova

"I have been to the performances at school. My daughter studies here. I think teachers do an exceptional job, kids do great at events and they are really talented and I like the intercultural atmosphere. Since they are doing good at school, I am confident that they become renowned people in the future. CST is a great place for them to come, to grow and to do really well in the future"

-Anvar Abduqodirov

Health and Wellbeing

The health and wellbeing of our students are the main priorities, which we ensure through initiatives designed to keep them safe and healthy. Here are some key measures we've put in place:



Comprehensive Medical Checkups



Quartz Lamp & Regular Disinfection



Full-Day Medical Services



Allergy Monitoring & Communication

Comprehensive Medical Checkups: Every student undergoes a full medical checkup to ensure their health is closely monitored. This includes regular assessments to address any health concerns early on and to keep record on their physical progress and changes.

Quartz Lamp & Regular Disinfection: Each week, we use a quartz lamp in all classrooms to help purify the air. In addition, all rooms are disinfected regularly to maintain a clean and hygienic environment.

Full-Day Medical Services: Our school offers full-day medical services with a professional nurse available to support students throughout the day, addressing any immediate health needs or emergencies.

Allergy Monitoring & Communication: To ensure the safety of all students, we check for specific allergies and maintain an up-to-date list. This list is regularly updated and communicated to the school canteen to avoid any issues with food and ensure that the needs of all students are met.

"As the school nurse, I am here every day to ensure the health and physical wellbeing of our students. I believe that when students feel their best, they can achieve their best – not only in their academics but in all areas of their lives outside school. Health is the foundation for success."

-Dilnoza Khusnitdinova, School Nurse



Extracurricular Activities

One of the key highlights of the Student Success Department is the launch of the After-School Activities (ASA) clubs. The clubs offer opportunities to explore your passions and develop new skills in areas such as art, music, media, sports, and academic enrichment. There is something for each student, regardless of your interests. The new initiative is not just a space for learning, but a hub for creativity, teamwork, and personal growth.

List of ASA Clubs



Gymnastics Club

Sensory Club

Arts and Crafts Club

Fitness and Dance Club

Busy Hands Club

Martial Arts Club

Football Club

IELTS/TOEFL Club

English Stars Club

Arabic Language Hub

Russian Club

Education Minecraft

Karaoke Club

Canvas Painting Club

Fun with Science Club

Board Games Club

Chess Club

Uzbek Language Club

ESL Club

FLL/Robotics Club

Public Speaking Club

Ping-Pong Club

Enhance English Club

French Club

SAT Club

MUN Public Speaking Club

Volleyball Club

Debate Competition

Do you have a talent for debating with your peers? Use it in the tribune.
Do you have a dream of becoming a leader? Build it in the tribune.



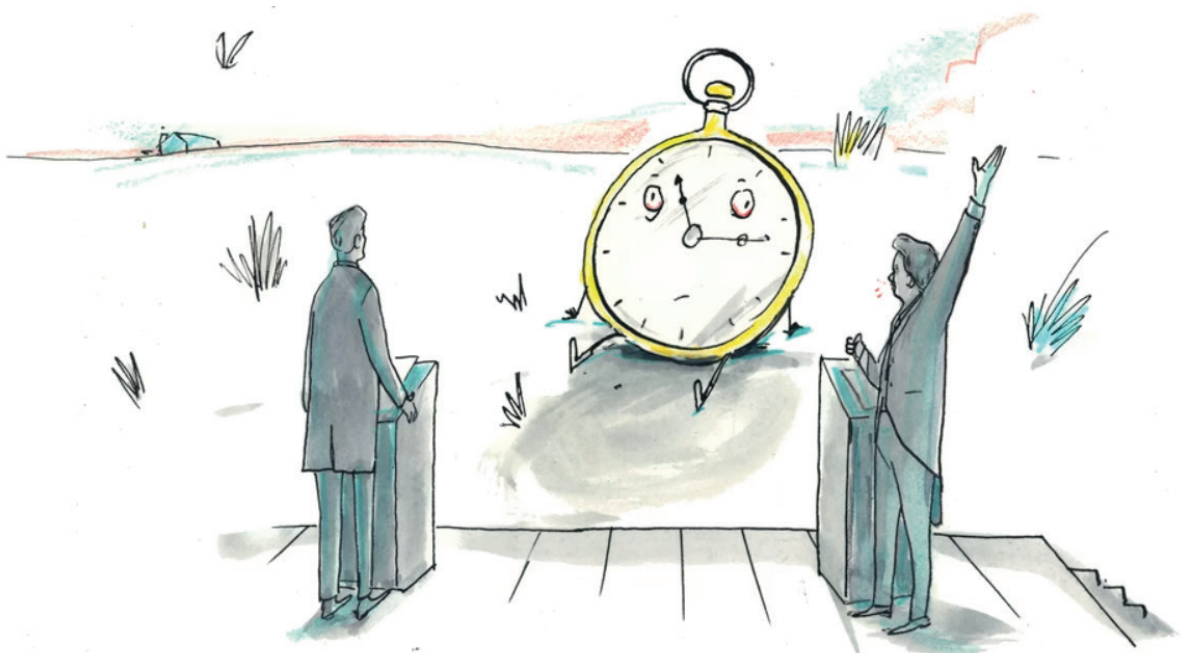
Our CST **Debate Competition** is an academic highlight of the year, where students present their critical thinking, and public speaking skills. This event is open to debaters from all grades, who compete on a variety of engaging topics. Here you learn how to engage with complex issues, build persuasive arguments, and develop confidence in your abilities.

***"Don't raise your voice. Improve your argument."
- Archbishop Desmond Tutu***

Greatest debate in history

The biggest debate in history is considered to be the Lincoln-Douglas debates. Those were a series of seven conversations between Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas in 1858. They lasted for more than three hours each and covered various topics such as slavery and the future of US politics. The debates had a significant impact on public opinion at that time. The Lincoln-Douglas debates are remembered for their eloquence and intellectual depth, showcasing the power of reasoned argument and critical thinking. It was through the realm of debate that the greatest leaders of history were shaped.

The Debate Club gives you the necessary tools on your path to becoming one.



"CST has been the perfect place for me to grow. The support I receive here makes it easy to balance my academics with my personal life"



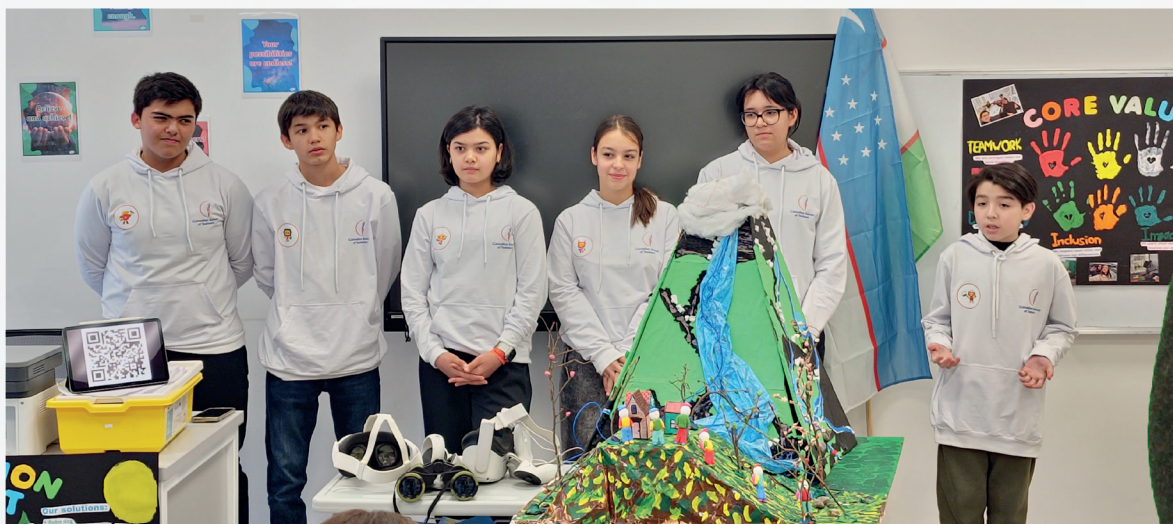
FLL competition CST Team



We celebrate students not just for their academic achievements, but also for the values they uphold and the example they show to others. One student who embodies this ideal is **Muhammad Ali Nurullaev**, a **Grade 10** student known for his academic excellence, exceptional politeness, and strong ethics.

Muhammad Ali has been part of the CST community since its opening, making it three years that he has called this school his second home. His journey to CST began after attending two other international schools, but here he found his dream community and teachers. For Muhammad Ali, this community provides a supportive environment that helps him succeed both in and out of the classroom.

Alongside his academic achievements, Muhammad Ali stands out for his outstanding manners and politeness. He is the kind of student who not only excels in his studies but also makes everyone feel welcome and respected. His positive attitude and respectful behavior are qualities that make him a role model.





Student Spotlight

For two consecutive years, as part of the school's delegation, he participated in the prestigious Model United Nations (MUN) conference in New York, where he represented Qatar and Cuba in the Human Rights and CSW Committees. There he learned about the subtle art of diplomatic attire, public speaking and standing up for his arguments. Muhammad Ali's commitment to developing a broad skill set also led him to take part in the FLL Robotics Competition in Kazakhstan, where he showcased his skills alongside his team members. Now, together with the team, he is preparing for this year's competition, where he will once again represent CST as part of the robotics team.



(MUN) conference in New York



FLL competition CST Team

Robotics is one of Muhammad Ali's key areas of interest. He has been working on his skills in the Robotics classes. His interest in technology and innovation does not only reflect his curiosity but also his ambition to make an impact in the community.

Outside of the classroom, Muhammad Ali is also dedicated to sports and he is an active member of the CST football team.

Looking toward the future, Muhammad Ali already has ambitious plans and strategies. After graduation, he plans to pursue higher education in Canada to further his knowledge and academic achievements.

His interest in business and logistics is something he is already researching outside of school. Inspired by his business classes with Mr. Ali, he has started doing in-depth self-study in management and logistics, researching the intricacies and secrets of running a business. His goal is to one day establish a logistics business that connects Canada and Uzbekistan, as he believes that "without logistics, the world wouldn't be what it is today".

The CST community is proud to have him as one of its examples of excellence, and we look forward to seeing him achieve even greater goals in the years to come.

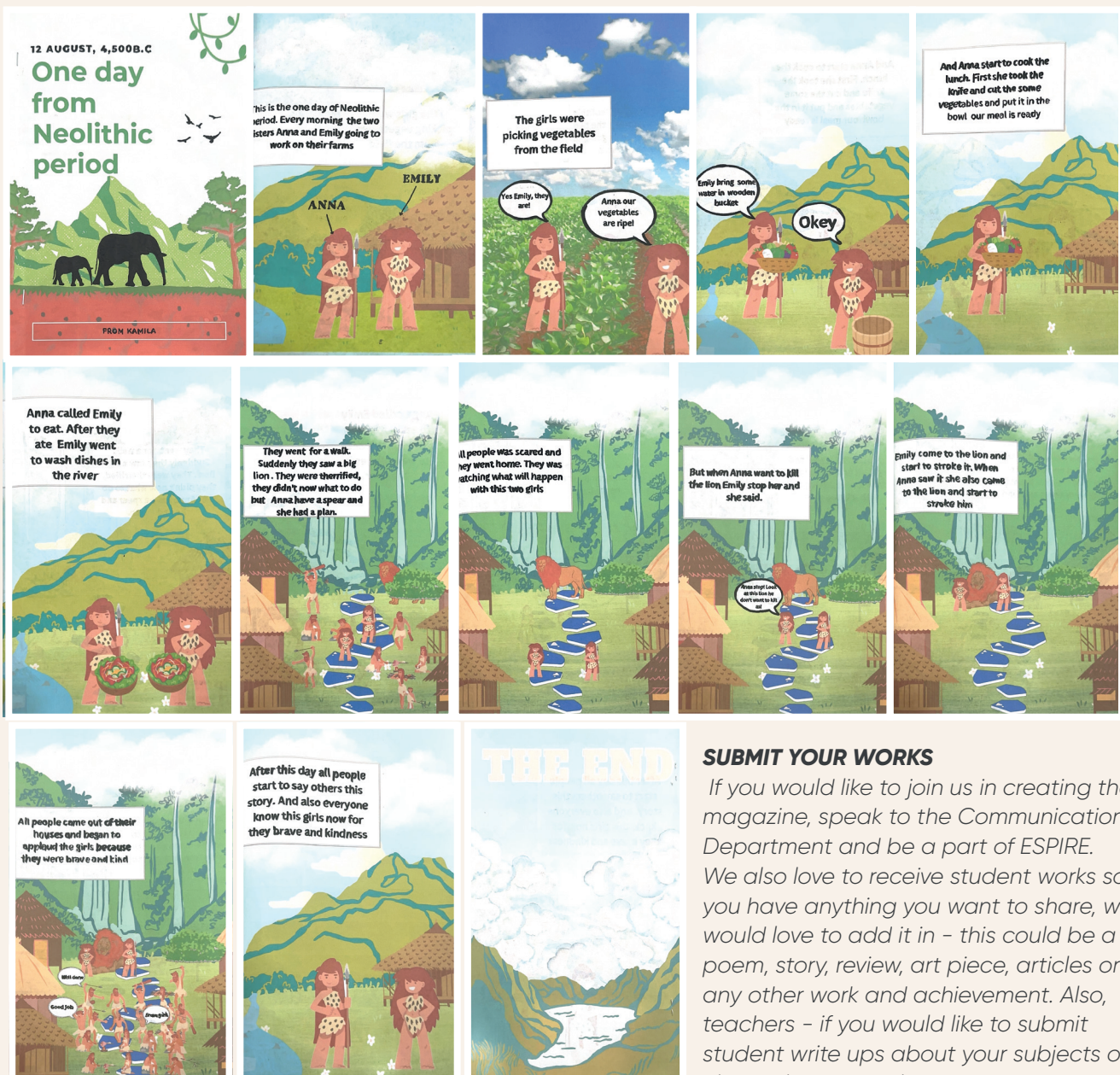


Student Projects

Interesting, what did life look like in the Neolithic period?

Grade 7 students **Kamila Abdullaeva** and **Malika Vapaeva** worked on an interesting project in their Social Studies class.

They created a creative illustration of a day in the life of Neolithic people and turned it into an engaging story. It takes us back to 4,500 B.C. to the life of two sisters Anna and Emily. Let's take a look!



SUBMIT YOUR WORKS

If you would like to join us in creating the magazine, speak to the Communications Department and be a part of ESPIRE. We also love to receive student works so if you have anything you want to share, we would love to add it in – this could be a poem, story, review, art piece, articles or any other work and achievement. Also, teachers – if you would like to submit student write ups about your subjects or clubs, please email us.

Thank you!

To send in pieces, contact: **Ms. Nilufar**
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Teacher Contributions

Emily Lewis, Kindergarten Teacher

Emily Lewis is our Kindergarten Teacher from Ontario, Canada. She holds her Bachelor of Education degree and Bachelor of Arts Honours degrees in French and English Language and Literature.

She has fifteen years of teaching experience in Canada in French Immersion and English public schools. Emily received her Specialist certification in Kindergarten in 2013. She is passionate about helping to build transferable skills in our youngest learners. Having devoted most of her career to second language learning, she loves how quickly young learners demonstrate their progress when working together in language-rich environments. She also believes that play and inquiry-based learning provide amazing opportunities for students to problem solve, think critically, communicate and collaborate.

"Working alongside the dedicated team at CST has been such a rewarding experience for me. With the engaging academics and all of the great teachers, strong leaders, loving families and amazing support staff at CST, I have every support I need to implement a wonderful new curriculum this year. In my years as a teacher, I have seen that every child is competent, capable and curious. I'm so grateful to have the privilege of meeting them on their learning paths and seeing how far they will go!"

Global Opportunities

Space Camp Izmir, Türkiye



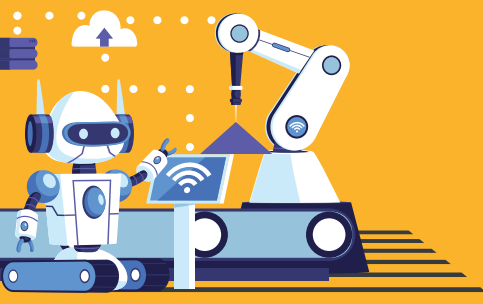
This year, students will have the opportunity to attend Space Camp Türkiye, a world-renowned center for space and science education. Focused on STEAM+ Education, Space Camp will engage our students in simulations that integrate Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Language to foster critical thinking and collaboration. Space Camp offers a chance to learn about space exploration. Students will join peers from over 60 countries and gain a deeper understanding about the world of science and technology.

NHSMUN in New York -March 11, 2025 - Saturday, March 17, 2025



In the upcoming spring, students will participate in the prestigious National High School Model United Nations (NHSMUN) Conference in New York City. This is a dream of many young aspiring diplomats around the world. It gives you the chance to immerse yourselves in global diplomacy through simulations and discussions on international affairs. NHSMUN is a perfect platform to interact with leading experts, ambassadors, and global influencers, and learn about global issues and policy-making.

FLL competition in Astana with CST Team RoboSharks



In February, our Robotics team will head to ASTANA Central Asia FIRST Robotics Championship, the largest regional robotics competition in Central Asia. Held in Astana, Kazakhstan, the event brings together over 3,000 students from 10 countries, including Hong Kong, the UAE, and Türkiye. Competing in three categories - FLL Explore, FLL Challenge, and FIRST Tech Challenge - students will be required to show their skills in robotics, innovation, and teamwork.

We wish the best of luck to our team!

Academic Achievements

Lianna is an 11th-grade student who recently joined our school community. She consistently strives for excellence, pushing herself to achieve top marks. One of her significant achievements has been her independent study of psychology, a subject she has been passionate about since 9th grade. Through self-study, Lianna has explored topics such as emotional intelligence, personal growth, and relationship dynamics. Her experiences inspired her to continue researching and she is determined to use her knowledge in psychology in her future endeavors. Apart from that, Lianna has embraced the school's opportunities for public speaking and debate. She recently won a CST Debate Competition. Congratulations, Lianna!



Lianna Muratova, Grade 11

Amin Ulanov is a Grade 5 student. He joined our school this year from Kyrgyzstan. Amin is good with numbers, which helped him secure 3rd place in the prestigious AMO International Math Olympiad, along with competing in the SASMO Math competition. In addition to mathematics, he is interested in robotics and the Russian language.

Amin's dream is to pursue a career in surgery or astronomy, motivated by his strong intellectual focus on the exact sciences. We are excited to see many more achievements in the years ahead!

Keep up the good work!



Amin Ulanov, Grade 5

CST Talents

Shodiya Miratkhamova, Grade 7, Fencer

CST is a home to diverse and exceptional talents, where students excel in academics, arts, and sports. One such inspiring talent is Shodiya Miratkhamova, a dedicated fencer with six years of professional experience. Shodiya has showcased her skills on both local and international stages, competing in prestigious tournaments in Turkey, Malaysia, and France. Beyond her success in fencing, she is a hardworking student who balances academics and sports with remarkable discipline.

Her ultimate dream? **To become an Olympic champion** – a goal she pursues with unwavering determination. Shodiya's passion and dedication inspire her peers, proving that with hard work and ambition, anything is possible.



We are incredibly proud of her achievements and can't wait to see what the future holds.

Good luck, Shodiya - CST family is cheering you on!



*Shodiya Miratkhamova,
Grade 7*



Top 10 Universities in Canada

Canada is home to many world-class universities that offer a diverse range of programs across numerous disciplines.

According to the latest Times Higher Education (THE) 2025 World University Rankings, 33 Canadian institutions have secured a place on the prestigious list. These universities are recognized globally for their excellence in teaching, research, and innovation.

Here are the top 10 universities in Canada, as ranked by THE:

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| 1 – University of Toronto | 6 – Université de Montréal |
| 2 – University of British Columbia | 7 – University of Waterloo |
| 3 – McGill University | 8 – University of Ottawa |
| 4 – McMaster University | 9 – University of Calgary |
| 5 – University of Alberta | 10 – Western University |

THE rankings evaluate universities based on 18 performance indicators grouped into five key categories: teaching, research environment, research quality, international outlook, and industry engagement. These factors help determine the global standing of each institution and their contributions to academia and society.

Canadian universities continue to attract students from around the world, offering high-quality education, cutting-edge research opportunities, and vibrant campus life. Whether students are looking for strong academic programs, innovative research facilities, or a multicultural learning environment, these top institutions provide exceptional opportunities for higher education in Canada.



University Visits:

Choosing which university to apply to can be a daunting experience. To make it easy for students to navigate through the world of higher education, we host representatives from world-class universities and colleges. These visits allow students to engage directly with experts, ask questions, and learn about programs, admissions processes, and opportunities for scholarships.

Here is the list of universities we hosted in the last month:



Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) is a public university located in Surrey, British Columbia and it offers over 120 undergraduate and diploma programs.

KPU serves around 20,000 students, with programs in fields such as business, arts, health, trades, and sciences.



George Brown College is a public college located in Toronto, Ontario, offering over 160 diploma, degree, and certificate programs.

George Brown College is known for the specialized education in fields such as business, healthcare, hospitality, technology, and design.



Thompson Rivers University (TRU) is a public university in Kamloops, British Columbia, offering over 140 undergraduate and graduate programs.

TRU serves approximately 30,000 students. The university provides a wide range of disciplines, including business, health sciences, education, and arts, and offers various scholarships and support services for students.

The National University of Singapore (NUS) is a leading global university located in Singapore. Established in 1905, NUS is renowned for its excellence in research, innovation, and academic programs. It offers a wide range of undergraduate and graduate programs across disciplines such as engineering, business, medicine, arts, and sciences. With a diverse student body and strong global partnerships, NUS consistently ranks among the top universities in Asia and the world.



University of Alberta, Canada The University of Alberta (U of A) is a top-ranked public research university located in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Founded in 1908, it offers over 200 undergraduate and 500 graduate programs across fields such as engineering, business, health sciences, arts, and sciences. With a student population of over 40,000, U of A is known for its strong research initiatives, innovation, and contributions to various industries. It is one of Canada's leading institutions for higher education and research.



University of Toronto, Canada The University of Toronto (U of T) is a prestigious public research university located in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Established in 1827, it is one of the world's leading institutions for higher education and innovation. U of T offers a wide range of undergraduate and graduate programs across disciplines such as engineering, business, medicine, humanities, and sciences. With a diverse student body, cutting-edge research, and strong global partnerships, the university consistently ranks among the top universities in Canada and the world.



Gratitude Wall

Research shows that the expression of gratitude improves mental health and fosters a positive atmosphere in the community. As we wrap up yet another year, let's not forget to thank each other for making this year special. We asked students and teachers to send their gratitude note.

Let's take a look at our wall and remind ourselves of all the good things that happened to us this year.

"All the teachers at CST inspire me to study and work hard"

**-Firdavs Furkatov,
Grade 8 Student**

"I am deeply grateful for the amazing community at my school, especially my students and the supportive management. My students inspire me daily with their curiosity, enthusiasm, and growth, making teaching a truly rewarding experience. At the same time, the management's unwavering support and dedication create a positive and collaborative environment where both teachers and students can thrive. Together, they make my journey at this school fulfilling and meaningful, and I feel fortunate to be part of such a wonderful team."

-Ms. Alaa Shaker, Grade 3 HT

"I'm grateful to be surrounded with wonderful people who inspire me to grow and become a better version of myself. Every day, I'm reminded of the positive energy and support that make this workplace truly special. When I think of CST, my heart is filled with joy and gratitude for the opportunity to be part of this incredible team."

**- Ms. Madinabonu Azizova,
Finance Officer**

"I'm inspired daily by the dedication of our staff, the energy of our students, and the sense of community we've built together. Thank you all for making this journey so rewarding."

**- Ms. Sevara Rakhmatullaeva,
Student Success Department**

"I am grateful for my peers and this incredible community for making me feel home"

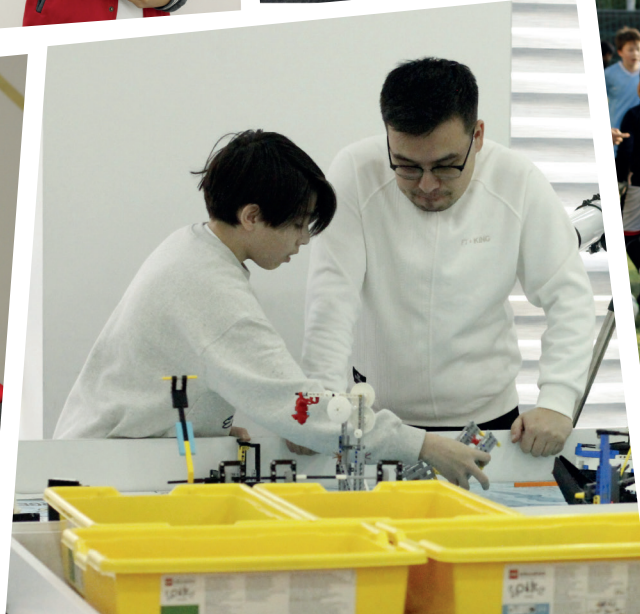
**-Mukhammadali,
Grade 10 Student**

"I'm deeply grateful for my incredible students who inspire me daily and for the support of our wonderful management team. Together, we've built a community that feels like family - a place of growth, joy, and endless possibilities."

Ms. Fatma Riahi, Grade 2 HT

"We have the best teachers in the world and friends that inspire."

**- Temur Tavakkalov,
Grade 4A Student**





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