



# RAVEN REVIEW

Issue 27



## CORVUSS AMERICAN ACADEMY UPDATES: ACCREDITATION, ACHIEVEMENTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS

-MS. ELAMMA AUGUSTINE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Greetings from Corvuss American Academy,

We are thrilled to announce that Corvuss American Academy in Karjat, Maharashtra, has been accredited by the prestigious Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). This accreditation makes us the first school in Maharashtra and the third in India to earn this distinction. Our American academic curriculum is based on the American Common Core State Standards (CCSS), Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), and American Education Reaches Out (AERO). Our high school curriculum is also recognized by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), American, and international universities worldwide. This milestone reaffirms our commitment to excellence in secondary education and prepares our students for success in university and beyond.

In other exciting news, a new cohort of our students has been appointed to the National Basketball Academy by the National Basketball Federation. We are proud of this achievement and look forward to supporting our students as they develop into exceptional basketball players who

will represent our country on national and international stages.

We are also delighted to share that our first Graduation Ceremony was held on Saturday, May 25, 2024. The event was a resounding success, celebrating the achievements of our graduates. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to them and wish them all the best in their future endeavors. Remember, we are rooting for your success. Go make us proud, dear students!

Looking ahead, Corvuss American Academy, in partnership with Laliga Academy Schools, will host a Football Tournament. We wish our students participating in the tournament the very best and hope they bring the trophy home.

As the academic year draws to a close, we are preparing for our final examinations scheduled from June 10th to 14th, 2024. We wish our students and staff the best of luck. Following the exams, students will engage in real-life activities to develop essential skills before school ends on June 24, 2024.

Additionally, we will host a parent-teacher meeting on June 24th. This meeting will provide an opportunity for parents to discuss their children's progress and plan activities to keep them academically engaged and prepared for the new academic year.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in the Corvuss American Academy community. We are proud of our achievements and look forward to many more successes in the future.

Regards,  
- Elamma Augustine  
(Head of Academy)



## "BRIDGING FUTURES" CAREER FAIR SUCCESS

- LATOIYA PASCUA (CAREER COUNSELOR )

Dear Corvuss American Academy Community,

I am delighted to share that our "Bridging Futures" Career Fair held on May 27th was a resounding success! Despite a lower-than-expected turnout from neighboring schools, the event was a fantastic opportunity for our students to explore various career paths and connect with industry professionals and educational institutions.

### Event Highlights:

- Date: May 27th, 2024
- Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
- Venue: Corvuss American Academy, Karjat Murbad Road, Wadawali, Tal, Dist, India 410201

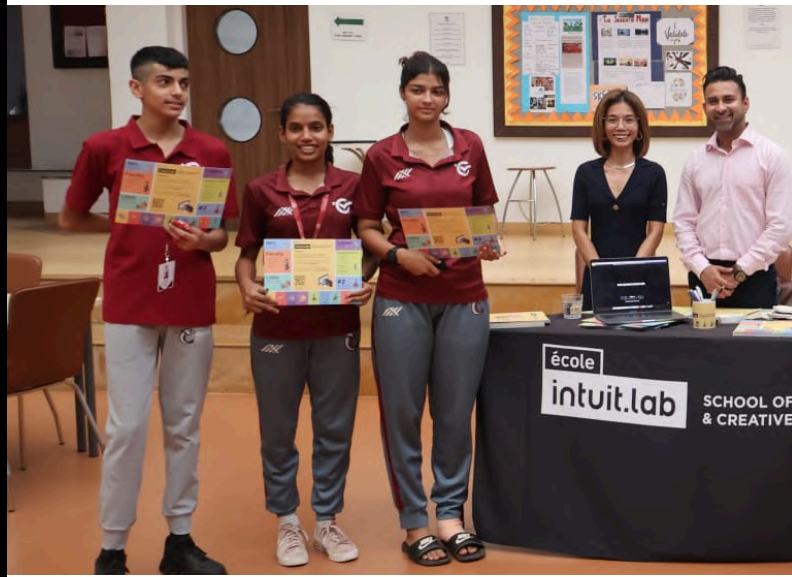
### Key Takeaways:

- Students had direct interactions with college representatives and industry professionals.
- Information about various career options, programs, admissions processes, and scholarship opportunities was shared.
- Faculty and career counselors had valuable networking opportunities.
- Despite fewer participants from neighboring schools, the engagement and enthusiasm of our students were remarkable.

This event has undoubtedly provided our students with knowledge and connections that will be invaluable as they plan their future careers. We are proud of the enthusiasm and professionalism demonstrated by our students, and we are grateful to all the representatives and attendees who made this event possible.

Thank you for your continued support and participation. We look forward to organizing more such events to benefit our students and community.



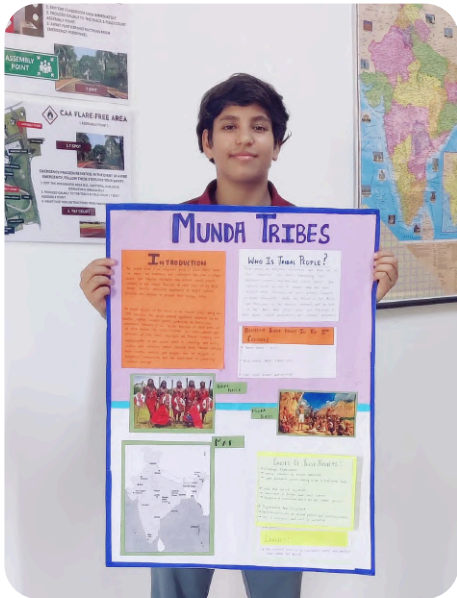




# “EVERYTHING BEGINS WITH AN IDEA.” – EARL NIGHTINGALE

-RASHMI LAL ( SOCIOLOGY TEACHER )

It was an overwhelming moment for Chandni of grade 8, when she approached me to show her project on 'Munda Tribes'. I was enthralled by the remarkable, innovative approach that she demonstrated so uniquely in her work. Her project was an amazing blend of cognitive attributes with a creative flair of an artist. Using creativity and a deeper understanding of the topic, certainly, was an expression of her love for learning that extended beyond the four walls of a classroom.



## FROM THE SENCO - COUNSELLOR

-ANJALA NILOFAR ( SENCO - COUNSELLOR )

On 13/05/24, a team of professionals from Corvuss participated in an enlightening professional development session led by Mick Purcell at Edubridge International School in Mumbai. The session's primary focus was on effective teaching strategies, particularly differentiation and reading comprehension, essential components for fostering an inclusive and supportive learning environment.

During the session, Mr. Purcell introduced comprehensive concepts regarding differentiation, drawing on the ideas of renowned educational theorist Carol Ann Tomlinson. He emphasized the importance of tailoring instruction to meet the diverse needs of students, highlighting practical techniques for implementing differentiation in the classroom. This included strategies for modifying content, process, and product based on students' readiness levels, interests, and learning profiles.

The session was highly interactive, encouraging participants to engage in discussions and share their experiences. This collaborative approach enriched the learning experience, making it both resourceful and practical. The participants explored how differentiation could be effectively applied within various international curricula, ensuring that teaching methods are adaptable to different educational contexts.

A significant portion of the workshop was dedicated to understanding the emotional and psychological aspects of student learning. Mr. Purcell stressed the importance of recognizing and addressing what students feel, as emotional support is crucial for their overall development. The discussion covered how to create a classroom environment that fosters both academic and socio-emotional growth, emphasizing the interconnectedness of these two areas.

The session also delved into various methodologies for improving teaching practices. One key area of focus was the use of assessment data as a tool for enhancing teaching strategies.

Mr. Purcell demonstrated how data could be used to identify students' strengths and areas for improvement, allowing educators to tailor their instruction more effectively. This data-driven approach was presented as a way to continuously improve teaching performance and student outcomes.

Towards the end of the workshop, Mr. Purcell provided practical tips for ensuring a positive learning environment for every child. These tips included strategies for building a supportive classroom culture, fostering positive relationships, and creating engaging and inclusive learning experiences. The session concluded with a reaffirmation of the importance of a holistic approach to education, where academic excellence is balanced with emotional well-being.

Overall, the professional development session was a valuable opportunity for the Corvuss team to enhance their teaching practices and gain new insights into effective differentiation and reading comprehension strategies. The knowledge and skills acquired during this session are expected to have a positive impact on their educational practices, ultimately benefiting the students they serve.

Anjala Nilofar  
SENCo - Counsellor

## GIRLS' DORM CHECKS IN

-REKHA JAYKAR

### 1. Yoga session at CAA

At Corvuss, yoga session became a cherished part of the camp experience, embraced by campers of all ages. The session was a therapeutic journey, blending physical postures with mindfulness and meditation techniques. Through gentle guidance, campers learned to synchronize breath with movement, fostering a sense of inner calm and relaxation.

The benefits extended beyond the physical realm, as campers discovered the power of yoga to alleviate stress and anxiety. They embraced the opportunity to disconnect from the distractions of everyday life, immersing themselves in the present moment. As they flowed through various poses, they cultivated a deeper awareness of their bodies and minds.

Meditation became a cornerstone of the session, providing campers with valuable tools to manage their emotions and navigate life's challenges with resilience. They learned to quiet the noise of their minds, finding solace in moments of stillness and introspection.

The collective energy of the group enhanced the experience, fostering a supportive and inclusive environment where everyone felt empowered to explore their practice without judgment. By the end of the session, smiles abounded, and campers left feeling rejuvenated, centered, and ready to embrace whatever adventures lay ahead.





## 2. Graduation ceremony at CAA

On May 25th, 2024, Corvuss celebrated the graduation day for the 2024 batch in style. The festivities began with the lighting of the lamp, symbolizing the illumination of knowledge and the journey ahead. The event kicked off with a spirited welcome song, setting the tone for the joyous occasion.

One of the highlights of the day was the ramp walk by the graduating class 12th students. As they strutted their stuff, they were challenged with impromptu questions, testing their quick thinking and readiness for the world beyond academia.

Shreetej, an outstanding student, was crowned as the Corvuss Raven 2024, marking a symbol of excellence and leadership within the cohort.

The celebration was further elevated with captivating dance performances, showcasing the diverse talents of the students.

As the event drew to a close, the juniors from class 11th escorted the graduating seniors with lamps in hand, symbolizing the passing of the torch and the continuation of the legacy. The morning culminated in a joyous cake-cutting ceremony, marking the end of one chapter and the beginning of another for the graduating class of 2024







## **CELEBRATED SQUASH PLAYER DAVID PALMER HOSTS INSPIRING SQUASH CAMP AT CAA**

**- CORNELL CHAPMAN ( SPORTS COORDINATOR )**

This past week, our school had the extraordinary privilege of hosting a squash camp led by none other than David Palmer, one of the most renowned figures in the world of squash. Palmer, a two-time World Open champion and four-time British Open champion, brought his wealth of experience and infectious enthusiasm to our courts, leaving a lasting impact on all participants.

The squash camp, which ran for five days, was open to students of all skill levels, from beginners to advanced players. Palmer's approach was both comprehensive and engaging, tailored to meet the needs of each participant. His sessions covered the full spectrum of the game, including technical drills, tactical strategies, physical conditioning, and mental preparation.

From the very first day, Palmer's passion for the sport was evident. He began each morning with a motivational talk, sharing stories from his illustrious career and the lessons he learned along the way. His emphasis on dedication, discipline, and perseverance resonated deeply with the students. "Success in squash, as in life, is about pushing through challenges and continually striving to improve," Palmer remarked during one of his sessions.

The camp featured a mix of group drills, one-on-one coaching, and match play. Students were thrilled to receive personalized feedback from a player of Palmer's caliber. "It was incredible to get tips from someone who's been at the top of the game," said Karina Phipps, an avid squash player. "His advice on improving my backhand and positioning has already made a noticeable difference."

The camp concluded with Palmer presenting certificates to all participants, acknowledging their hard work and progress. He also took the time to sign autographs and pose for photos, leaving students with cherished memories of their time together.

HOA Ms. Augustine expressed her gratitude to Palmer for his dedication and the positive influence he had on the students. "Having someone of David Palmer's stature at our school has been an incredible honor. His expertise and mentorship have provided our students with invaluable experiences that will inspire them both on and off the court."







