

## Career-counseling Session at St. Thomas Girls School, Kidderpore

On 15 July Cygnus Centre of Excellence held a career counseling session in St. Thomas Girls School, Kidderpore. The session was hosted by Jason Pote and Sandip Banerjee for the students of Class XII, who are on the brink of leaving school to join college and hopefully pursue their dream career.

The event began with Sandip Banerjee addressing students and giving them an insight as to how women before would only choose one career-teaching! Which was the safest option for a woman at the time and they wouldn't even think of taking up any other profession and that today's generation of women needs to break free from the shackles society has put on them. He went on to explain how we should go about choosing our careers and he mentioned that the biggest aspect about choosing a career is that one should be ambitious, as it was only ambition that made King Alexander Alexander The Great.

'No one can take us to the corridor of success but ourselves'- A statement made by Sandip Banerjee that resonated with me and made me question my



"Choose a job that you love and will you will never work a day in your life". He shared some examples to support this which were:-

1. Kathy loves watching movies – She can choose to become a producer or director.
2. Sheila spends time solving things on her computer – She can pursue a career in cyber security or coding.
3. If you love Sports – A career in sports management, becoming a PT teacher and being a coach are some options to look at.

Jason Pote spoke about Skills being the ability or expertise to do something well and that our skill increases as we grow. He went on to mention that Skill is closely tied to interests and that it takes a long time to get good at something so spend that time doing what you like.

Both Sandip Banerjee and Jason Pote took questions from the students and patiently answered them. One question that stood out was "How do I convince my parents of my choice of career?"

The answer to the question was extremely well thought out and articulated. "You don't convince them you talk to them; you state your dream to them. They are there to guide you, to take care of you, talk to them make them understand, you might not be able to do that, so tell them to talk to experts in that field that may convince them. One wrong

## Eye Camp at The BGES School

On 21 and 22 April an Eye camp was organised at The BGES School (ICSE) for the students, by Lion's Club International, through the supervision of Dr. Divyesh Shah. Under the banner of 'Sight For Kids', the Eye Camp was held for two days in the school hall. Like every year, this year too, the students of Nursery to class X had their eyesight checked by renowned doctors from the camp. After the examination, each child was given a report and those children diagnosed with eye problems were advised to undergo treatment, either immediately or in the future, depending on the nature of their problem.

The main focus of the camp was to detect common eye problems in students, like checking their degree of near or far sightedness.

Children had a fun time during the eye check up as it was designed especially for their age group. Dr. Divyesh Shah (ex-student of The BGES School (ICSE)), Shree Netra Eye Foundation graced the occasion on 22 May. On the last day after the completion of eye checkup, the doctors were given a token of appreciation by our Principal.

*Sent in by the School*

## Charlie 777

Charlie 777 is a cinema of love and respect. It portrays the life of a man who completely changes when a dog comes into his life. At first he was a very angry man and wanted to move away from the dog and wanted to be free. The dog's love however changed him. He has lost his mother and father. His only sister had lost her life in a car accident.

While he was growing up he did not make any friends either. Later, the dog came into his life. He made a collar named the dog Charlie 777 with her license number.

