



# CGS-Dhaka Newsletter

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## O' LEVELS RESULTS OUT

*Congratulations to our toppers, Zarrar, Afsheen, below, with 10 A's each in O' Levels!*



*See results supplements for more details.*

Dear Parents and Students,

What a meaningful and energizing start to the 2025-26 academic year. Over the past weeks, during our induction sessions with teachers and parents, we have shared important updates, explored the year's calendar (both academic and beyond), and reflected on what learning should, and will look like at every level of CGSD.

We also took time to celebrate stories of students who embody the very best of our community. Not just in their academic achievements, but in their adaptability, their willingness to push boundaries, and their deep commitment to our shared values. These conversations reminded me and the team, yet again, of what makes CGSD so special: every child's journey here is designed with care, helping them grow into confident, compassionate individuals who discover their purpose in the world.

Beyond academics, we discussed the foundations of a thriving life: health, mindfulness, and movement. Experts and parents alike shared simple but powerful reminders like prioritizing breakfast, taking short walks after sitting, choosing stairs over elevators, and practicing gratitude daily. These small habits anchor us in a busy world, and I hope you will join me in embracing them this year.

The recent fire at Milestone School has left us all deeply shaken. Let me reaffirm: safety is our highest priority. As promised, we will conduct at least six fire and earthquake drills this year, starting with announced practices and transitioning to unannounced ones. We are also grateful to a parent expert who has volunteered to review our campus for additional safety measures, work we are advancing with urgency.

This year, as always, we remain committed to staying connected and embracing growth together. We shall innovate, reflect, and strive to be better, because that is what our children deserve. Thank you for trusting us with their journey.

With gratitude,  
Rubaiyat Razaque



## CGSD A' LEVELS COMMENCE

In early August, CGSD held a formal ceremony to inaugurate the incoming A' Level cohort, Class Group 11. The occasion was marked by a cake-cutting ceremony, symbolizing the commencement of an important academic journey. The event reflected the school's continued commitment to fostering excellence, leadership, and intellectual growth. We extend our best wishes to the new batch (above) as they embark on this significant chapter in their educational pursuits.

## JULY UPRISING OBSERVED

The July Uprising celebration began with the national and school anthems, followed by a solemn minute of silence to honour the martyrs who bravely sacrificed their lives for justice. Powerful poetry was recited that echoed the spirit of resistance, and a detailed timeline of events was shared to deepen understanding of this pivotal moment in our nation's history. A group from the event pictured below.



## ORIGINS OF VISION EXHIBITION

Students and parents attended the **Origins of Vision Group Art Exhibition** at the Embassy of Japan, a collaboration with HerNet Foundation, showcasing the works by 47 legendary Bangladeshi artists. The day began with a creative Origami session, followed by a documentary on icons like Zainul Abedin and S.M. Sultan. Students (pictured below) then explored powerful artworks, some of which date back to the pre-independence era. A special moment was meeting the legendary Biren Shome - a true inspiration for our young art enthusiasts.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS DATE

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Eid-e-Milad un Nabi*	5.9.2025
Elementary Grandparents week	10-11.9.2025
World Gratitude Day Mufti	21.9.2025
Student Body Election	24.9.2025
Special Assembly	25.9.2025
Social Awareness Session 1	29.9.2025
Durga Puja Holidays	30/31.9.25

## Class notes: Class 5 September 2025

### Happy Birthday to...

Manha for the 10th, Ifraz for the 11th and Ashmira for the 21st of September.

### Class News...

Dear Parents,

A Fresh Start to the 2025–26 Academic Year! After a refreshing summer break, our new academic session kicked off on August 3, 2025, filled with excitement and energy! We extend our heartfelt thanks to the parents who joined us for the Parents' Induction on August 10, 2025. With the school year now underway, students will begin experiencing more frequent assessments in September. Beyond academics, our extracurricular activities (ECA) are set to inspire creativity and joy, thanks to the innovative plans crafted by our enthusiastic club moderators. On September 21, our students will enthusiastically participate in a variety of activities to celebrate "World Gratitude Day".

Thank you,  
Class 5 Teachers

### September Projects...

**ICT:** Input and output device, **English:** A free verse poem,  
**Geography:** The Earth's Layer, **History:** The United Nations

### September tests...

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
	1	2	3	4	5 <i>Eid-e-Milad*</i>	6
7	8 <i>Geography</i>	9	10 <i>Science</i>	11 <i>English</i>	12	13
14 <i>Literature</i>	15	16 <i>Bangla</i>	17 <i>Maths</i>	18	19	20
21	22 <i>ICT</i>	23 <i>History</i>	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 <i>Durga Puja</i>				

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Dear Parents and Students,

A very warm welcome to the 2025 / 2026 academic year. We are delighted to bring inspiring news from both Dhaka and Chittagong. In the capital, growing parental interest has encouraged CGSD to begin A' Level courses – drawing on CGS Upper's knowledge and support to guarantee excellence continues. Our Class of 2025 have enthusiastically registered and lessons are now underway with great success.

Meanwhile, in Chittagong, our NC school has partnered with NCUK (<https://www.ncuk.ac.uk/>), a globally respected pre-university programme provider. CGS NC will deliver an International Foundation Year developed with NCUK University Partners, effectively preparing students after SSC or O' Levels for direct university admission. Through the International Foundation Year, students gain subject expertise, academic skills and English proficiency, enabling them to progress to thousands of degree programmes across 60+ leading universities in the UK, Australia, New Zealand, the USA, Canada and beyond.

Additionally, **Rubaiyat Razzaque** transitions from Deputy Head to Head at CGSD. Since joining in March 2014, Rubaiyat has brought extensive experience in academics, teacher training, educational administration, and student life. We are confident Rubaiyat will lead our school with the vision, experience, and passion needed for its next chapter of growth and excellence. Please join us in congratulating her.

Our results are in, and we are delighted to share that our brilliant students at CGS and CGSD have achieved outstanding success, making us immensely proud. Our 'O' Level cohort shone brightly, with toppers **Afsheen** (CGSD), **Audri** (CGS), **Safwan** (CGS), and **Zarrar** (CGSD) each securing 10 A\*/As grades. In addition, 18 students earned 8 A\*/As, and another 13 achieved 9 A\*/As. At AS and A' Levels, 14 students attained 3 A\*/As each, while 23 secured 4 A\*/As. More detailed results listed on page 2.

**CGSD students, below, celebrating their excellent results!**



Congratulations to students, parents and teachers, as well as the management teams and Heads who have worked together over the years to achieve these great results! While grades are important in today's competitive world we would like our graduates to be good human beings, living fulfilled lives and contributing to their communities, leaders who take responsibility for improving the physical and social environment of this planet.

Our theme for the year, **'Together We Rise'** is a call to unite differences and we march towards a changing landscape of AI and digital disruptions, challenges for economic and social inclusion and environmental degradation. In particular, AI is going to have a profound impact on the careers and lives of our future generations.

**"AI is going to reshape every industry and every job."**

Reid Hoffman, Co-founder of LinkedIn

Our philosophy has always been to develop well-rounded students, prepared to navigate the unexpected through years of rigorous capacity building. This is reinforced by a strong focus on leadership and essential values such as empathy, kindness, courage, generosity, and service to others.

The 2025 / 2026 academic year is once again filled with activities and events, including MUN and Round Square conferences, a Teacher's Convention, the Annual Athletics, ACPs, cultural celebrations, and special open and mufti days.

We have over two dozen RS and MUN invitations from across the globe to attend conferences in several cities in India, USA, United Kingdom, South Korea, South Africa, Germany, Australia, Ecuador, Morocco, New Zealand and UAE, - we encourage students to participate in these wonderful opportunities and avail of the transformative potential they provide.

With an election year ahead, we anticipate some disruption to our work during the Winter term. To address this, we plan to complete 40% of syllabuses by mid-November. We urge students to maintain regular attendance and call on parents for support, from our end we will be enforcing strict measures to discourage unnecessary absences.

There is a well-established and powerful connection between consistent school attendance and academic success. A shining example is our outstanding student from the Class of 2025, **Azneef Chowdhury**, pictured right, who maintained an extraordinary record of 100% attendance from Class 9 through Class 12, with the sole exception of a brief five-day absence due to dengue.



His regularity is a testament to the discipline, focus, and perseverance that underpin true achievement. This autumn, Azneef embarks on an exciting new chapter as he joins the prestigious Ivy League institution Dartmouth College on a full scholarship. We could not be prouder of his accomplishments and extend our warmest congratulations.

Other university destinations for the graduating class include, University of Illinois, Purdue University, Rutgers University, University of British Columbia, Bristol University and Hong Kong University. The class of 2025 is truly an accomplished cohort, partaking in the Round Square 100 mile challenge, running the first CGS Model United Nations as well as a very successful Business Summit.

A good school experience for students relies hugely on a strong Parent-School partnership and we look forward to your continuing support during the year and beyond. We thank you for choosing CGS and CGSD for the education of your child. We also thank Heads and their teams for their relentless hard work, pastoral care and inspiration they bring to school every day.

Wishing you all an excellent school year!

Farhat Khan and Shereen Ispahani

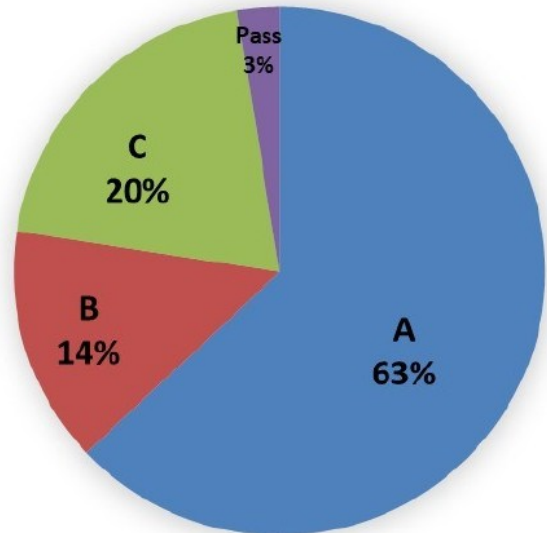
### O' LEVEL RESULTS 2025: CLASS 9

109 Students in CGS and CGSD appeared for between 2 and 3 subjects and did very well in their first set of 'O' levels. They opened their accounts for collecting A\* and A grades (63%) and achieving 77% for A\*, A and B grades.

2 A\*/A's: Ahnaf H, Anindya M, Arham, Azmain, Batul, Fabbiha (CGSD), Irzaan, Lubaba, Munaisa, Nameer, Nawar, Niko, Nushrin, Osman, Rayem, Samiq, Sanuka, Sejuti, Shamailah, Sharhan, Sithuki, Swastika, Wayez, Uzma.

3A\*/A's: Aasiyah, Agniv, Ahnaf A, Anindya D, Ariyana (CGSD), Arshil, Asshavin, Ayaan M, Ayan A, Ayan T, Faraz (CGSD), Fatema, Iktidar, Jaitun, Mubaraka, Manha M, Manha S, Mashrifah, Nafsiyat (CGSD), Prothyush, Riasath, Safwat (CGSD), Saniat, Shahad, Subaita B, Swapnadip, Taifa, Umair I, Yusra, Zaheen, Ziyad (CGSD), Zumail, Zunairah (CGSD).

### CGS/CGSD Class 9 Combined 2025



### O' LEVEL RESULTS 2025: CLASS 10

142 students appeared for the June 2025 O' level examinations. Combined CGS and CGSD results had an overall pass rate of 96% and an A\*, A and B ratio of 70%. 46% or 65 out of 142 candidates attained 5A's or more in O' levels.

5 A\*/A's: Ayser, Naoshin, Rawaha (CGSD), Ruslan (CGSD), Ruwayfi, Sana S, Shaan, Saifan, Seshara, Usaid (CGSD).

6A\*/A's: Adib (CGSD), Adiyath, Ali, Auritro (CGSD), Farhin, Shayan (CGSD), Subahratul, Zahin Z, Zoheb.

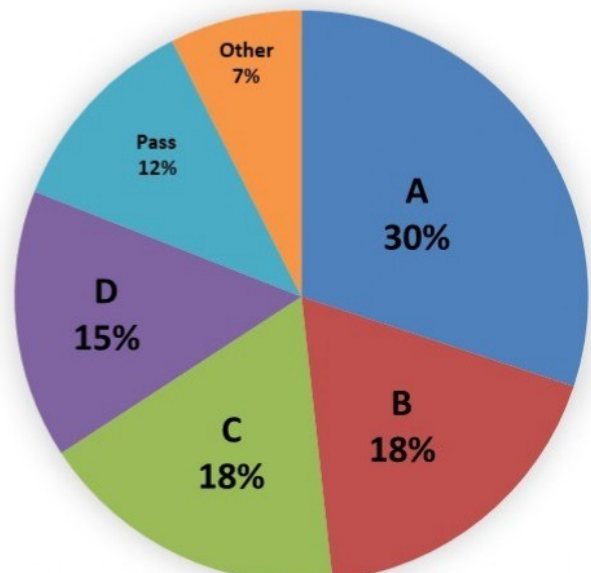
7A\*/A's: Amrin, Arham, Aswad, Farhan (CGSD), Maheer, Mustali, Rahmani (CGSD), Rehan (CGSD), Shirsendu, Waqiya, Zayan (CGSD).

8A\*/A's: Aayan (CGSD), Afsara (CGSD), Arusha, Hridita, Marjan, Mehnoor, Mujarrah (CGSD), Naida, Nazair (CGSD), Numair, Priyodarshi, Sara, Sana, Siam, Tamim (CGSD), Tasnuva, Zafir, Zain.

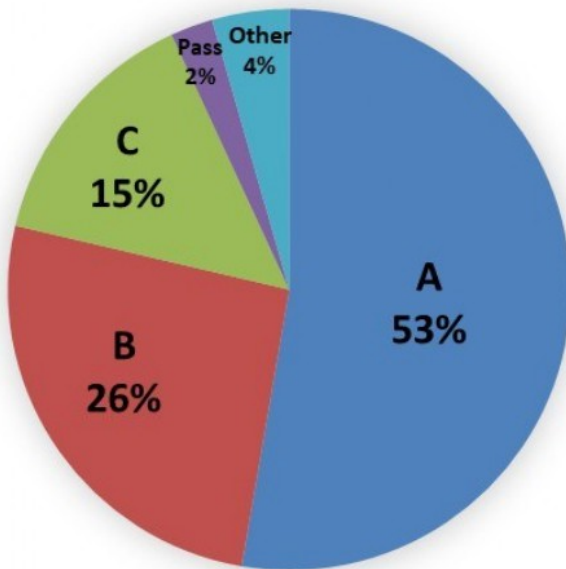
9 A\*/A's: Aaseer, Afra, Agnidipa, Debmalaya, Dhruva, Imaan, Inshirah, (CGSD), Mahadia, Sarah, Samaila, Shotabdi, Suhaira, Washima.

10 A\*/A's: Afsheen (CGSD), Audri, Safwan, Zarrar (CGSD).

### CGS AS' / A Levels Results 2025



### CGS / CGSD Class 10 Combined 2025



### A' LEVEL RESULTS 2025

106 students appeared for AS' Levels exams (at the end of class 11) while 72 appeared for the A' Levels exams (end of class 12). The overall A\*, A and B ratio was an excellent 48%.

Class 11, 'AS' Levels Results:

2 A's: 2 A\*/A's: Samiha H, Tamara, Mehataj, Rafay, Azraf, Sharaf.

3 A's: Soshi, Aminah H, Afsan, Affan, Marwa, Multazim, Mujtanibah, Iftekhar, Ayman, Ankita, Aisha.

4 A's: Mouparna, Abhradeep, Sayantan, Aamina, Mashrur, Ariba M, Avishek, Maliha, Rudranil, Tehjeeb, Sahran, Sushist, Zuhair, Labib.

Class 12, A' Level Results:

2 A\*/A's: Mostavi, Najibah, Naqiya, Yeakin, Dulain, Shajuti, Samiha.

3 A\*/A's: Shuvronil, Tameem, Mithil.

4 A\*/A's: Areeba T, Nafisa, Nabonita, Adrita, Azneef, Kibtia, Ilhaan, Tamzid, Saadman

Congratulations to the entire CGS and CGSD families!.