

Oakridge International School Bengaluru Celebrates DP 2 Graduation

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Oakridge International School Bengaluru marked a significant milestone as it [celebrated the graduation](#) of its Diploma Programme (DP) 2 students on Saturday, 24th May 2025.



Chief Guest & Principal with Valedictorian

The ceremony was graced by **chief guest Chandru Iyer, British Deputy High Commissioner to Karnataka & Kerala**, whose keynote address resonated deeply with graduates, families, and teachers. Drawing from 25 years of experience, Iyer highlighted ten profound life principles that will serve the graduates well beyond their academic achievements. His first and perhaps most impactful message was to *“accept the fact that life will not be always fair,”* preparing students for the realities they will encounter. He encouraged them to *“try things out, listen to your heart”* emphasizing that the *“next 10 years belong to you.”*

His words struck a particularly relevant chord as he referenced the evolving global education landscape, specifically mentioning how prestigious institutions like Imperial College London are opening global centres in Bengaluru, creating opportunities for students to access

world-class education without leaving their home city.

Adding depth to the ceremony, **Ms Kavita Sukhani, Principal, Oakridge International School**, highlighted four key motivational drivers that will serve graduates throughout their lives: She emphasized that true fulfilment comes *“Richness of experience, relationships & health.”* *“Responsibility makes you feel motivated,”* encouraging students to embrace accountability. Recognition, too, plays a crucial role – *“recognition for a job well done motivates us”* – while the importance of “reliability” was underscored as a cornerstone of personal and professional success.

The ceremony showcased the culmination of rigorous academic preparation under the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, known for its comprehensive approach to developing critical thinking, international -mindedness, and academic excellence. *“We, your facilitators, watched the spark you carried from MYP grow into a flame in the Diploma Programme,”* said **Ms Nishtha Srivastava, IBDP Coordinator & Head of Secondary**, in her address.

The ceremony featured the presentation of diplomas, recognition of outstanding CAS & academic achievements, and heartfelt reflections from students about their growth during the programme. The valedictorian, **Ms Kashvi Srinivasan**, in her address to the graduating class, stated, *“I know that our time together at Oakridge will serve as the foundation for the many paths we will soon take. The IB learner profiles we thought we didn’t pay attention to – we actually did – and we have become inquirers and risk-takers, albeit unknowingly.”*

As these graduates move forward to universities across the globe, such as National Law University, Azim Premji University, Duke University, University of Manchester, Georgia Tech, Purdue University etc, they carry with them the values of excellence, integrity, and service that define the Oakridge community. The timing of this graduation is particularly

significant as Bengaluru continues to establish itself as a global education hub, with international universities recognizing the city's potential and the calibre of its students.

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