

## Achievements:

### SJWS Students Shine at the BIT Lit & Art Festival 2025



Sir John Wilson School students achieved remarkable success at the BIT Lit & Art Festival 2025, held from 28th to 30th August at BIT Senior School, Uttara. The three-day celebration of creativity and expression brought together students from various institutions to showcase their literary and artistic talents.

Guided by the dedicated teachers and Heads of the English and Bengali Departments, our students prepared enthusiastically through a series of workshops and resource sessions designed to sharpen their writing and artistic skills. Their commitment and creativity were evident in every submission.

Our students excelled across multiple categories, bringing home numerous awards. In Bangla Creative Writing, *Mohammad Imaad-Ul-Islam* (Class 8) secured 1st place, while *Kikis Hossain* (Class 7) achieved 3rd place. In Journalism, *Namira Binte Chowdhury* (Class 8) earned 1st place, followed by *Laaibah Ferdousi* (Class 8) in 2nd place. The Art category saw *Arusha Twinkle*

(Class 8) win 1st place and *Azeema Ahmed* (Class 8) take 2nd place. In English Poetry Composition, *Tajreeba Yeanat* (Class 6) and *Tasneem Hassan* (Class 9) both achieved 1st place, while *Warda Fatima* (Class 8) earned 3rd place.

These outstanding results highlight our students' ability to think creatively, express themselves powerfully, and appreciate the beauty of both literature and art. Their success stands as a testament to the school's ongoing commitment to nurturing imagination, expression, and intellectual curiosity.

Congratulations to all the winners and participants for making Sir John Wilson School proud!

## **Events:**

### **Sir John Wilson School Hosts Laurel Circle Celebration 2025**

Sir John Wilson School proudly hosted the Laurel Circle Celebration 2025, a signature event dedicated to recognising and celebrating academic excellence. The ceremony brought together distinguished guests, respected teachers, proud parents, and our Outstanding Pearson Learner Awardees who achieved exceptional results in the May 2025 examinations.

This year's laureates included students who secured *9–6 A/A in IGCSE\** and *4–2 A/A in A2\**, a remarkable testament to their perseverance, dedication, and hard work.

#### *Inspiring Speeches and Performances*

The event began with a warm welcome from the moderator, Mr Iqbal e Rasul, followed by opening remarks from Vice Principal, Dr Farhana Khan Zaman, whose words set the tone for the morning. A soulful piano recital by a senior student provided a musical interlude before Principal, Ms Sabrina Shaheed, addressed the gathering with an inspiring message on fostering excellence at SJWS.

The audience then heard heartfelt reflections from five awardees, including:

- Humayra Kamal (Class 12, Batch 2024–25) – All 4 A\* in A2
- Anahi Ifreet (Class 12, Batch 2024–25) – 3 A\* and 1 A
- Rayan Sadique (Class 11) – 9 A\* in IGCSE
- Ashra Uzma (Class 11) – 9 A\* in IGCSE
- Jarin Musharrat Labiba (Class 11) – 9 A\*/A in IGCSE

Their stories of determination and resilience resonated deeply with the audience.

#### *Parents' Voices*

Three proud parents – Professor Dr Samia Mubin (BSMMU), Mr Mirza Andalib (HSBC), and Dr Sabera Sultana (World Health Organization) – shared heartfelt speeches highlighting the vital role of family, school, and community in shaping student success.

### *Celebrating the High Achievers*

The highlight of the celebration was the Student Recognition Ceremony, where awardees were honoured for their outstanding academic performance. Each group of awardees was invited on stage for recognition and celebratory group photographs, creating lasting memories of this proud occasion.

Please click on the link for the list of laureates:

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### *Honouring the Teachers*

The celebration also acknowledged the tireless efforts of teachers whose dedication helped students achieve excellence. Certificates of Recognition were awarded to faculty members with 75% or more of their students achieving A/A\*.

### *Musical Performances and Closing*

The morning was brightened further with a group song by senior section students, accompanied by their music teacher, Mr Golam Rabbi. The programme concluded with closing remarks from Admin Coordinator, Ms Nishat Alam Chaklader, who extended gratitude to all present for making the day memorable.

### *A Celebration of Excellence*

The Laurel Circle Celebration 2025 was not only a recognition of academic achievement but also a reflection of the values that define Sir John Wilson School – perseverance, collaboration, and excellence. As the event came to a close, students, parents, and teachers left with a renewed sense of pride and inspiration. Guests were treated to refreshments on their way out, marking the end of a truly joyous occasion.

Please click on the link for the photographs of the event:

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## Sir John Wilson School Hosts International Education Fair by MACES



On Tuesday, 16 September 2025, the Senior Section of Sir John Wilson School proudly hosted the **International Education Fair**, organised by **MACES**, a globally recognised leader in international education opportunities. The fair was designed to inspire and guide students of Classes 10 to 12 in their pursuit of higher education abroad.

This highly anticipated event brought together representatives from prestigious universities who shared valuable insights into their admission procedures, academic pathways, and scholarship opportunities. The fair not only shed light on global study options but also strengthened our commitment to supporting the academic aspirations of our students.

Students and parents had the unique opportunity to engage directly with delegates from esteemed institutions, including:

- Cardiff University
- City St. George's University of London
- University of Greenwich
- UWE Bristol
- University of Nottingham, Malaysia Campus

- Charles Sturt University
- University of Western Australia

The event began promptly at 9:00 am in the Senior Section's 6th floor venue, creating an energetic and engaging atmosphere for students keen to explore international higher education opportunities. By 10:30 am, the fair concluded, allowing students to return to their regular lessons, equipped with new perspectives and goals for their future studies.

The International Education Fair underscored the importance of forward planning for university applications and highlighted the wealth of global opportunities available to our students. Parents who attended expressed great appreciation for the chance to learn first-hand about pathways that can shape their children's futures.

At Sir John Wilson School, we remain deeply committed to fostering global awareness, academic ambition, and career readiness for all our students. Events such as these reaffirm our dedication to preparing students for success in an increasingly interconnected world.

### **Celebrating Student Leadership: Certificate Award Ceremony for Student Council Members**



Sir John Wilson School proudly hosted a Certificate Award Ceremony on 10th and 15th September 2025 to honour the dedication and achievements of the Student Council Members (SCMs) for the last Academic Year 2024–2025.

The Student Council plays an invaluable role in representing the student body, providing constructive feedback on academics, and fostering a culture of responsibility and leadership. Each member is carefully selected based on their outstanding academic performance and their ability to contribute meaningfully to the progress of the school community.

Throughout the year, SCMs displayed a remarkable sense of reliability, responsibility, and integrity. Their duties included:

- Maintaining consistent attendance and reliability in sharing feedback.
- Gathering and presenting evidence-based suggestions from classmates to improve learning experiences.
- Offering constructive criticism that highlighted both strengths and areas for improvement.

- Upholding clarity and transparency to ensure meaningful and actionable outcomes.

The recognition of their contributions reflects not only their academic excellence but also their leadership qualities, which are vital in nurturing future changemakers.



At the ceremony, certificates were presented to Student Council Members in recognition of their successful fulfilment of responsibilities. The event was a celebration of their hard work, commitment, and the positive impact they created within the school community.

Sir John Wilson School remains committed to empowering students with leadership opportunities that enhance both personal growth and collective progress.

Congratulations to all the Student Council Members of the Academic Year 2024–2025 for their exceptional service and leadership.



## **Experiential Learning:**

### **Young Teachers Inspire Students Through Engaging English Lessons**

Our students have embarked on an exciting 6-day Interactive English Language Peer Session in partnership with Panchkhola Primary School. Senior students of Sir John Wilson School stepped into the role of young teachers, guiding Grade 5 students of Panchkhola Primary School through engaging lessons designed to boost confidence and communication skills.

The initiative began at the SJWS campus, where 14 students of class 5 of Paanchkhola Primary School engaged in lively one-on-one conversations on topics such as self-introduction, family, school, community, and country. What made the sessions unique was that the SJWS students themselves designed the activities, worksheets, and teaching methods, making the learning process both fun and impactful.

On the first day, the classrooms buzzed with anticipation as the children were welcomed to their lesson on *“how to introduce yourself.”* Although many arrived with shy smiles, the encouragement of lead teachers Abdia and Rudmila soon transformed the atmosphere. The

children practised introducing themselves, slowly gaining confidence and proudly sharing small details about their lives. By the end of the day, they left smiling and waving – delighted with their newfound ability to express themselves in English.

The second day centred on *“introducing your family.”* The session began with the board filled with colourful drawings of smiling parents, children, and grandparents. Lead teachers Samarah Kamal, Samara Azad, and Masiha captured the children’s attention instantly. As they spoke about their families and siblings, the students grew more confident, encouraged by their peers’ claps and cheers. Worksheets allowed them to practise forming sentences and draw portraits of their own families, resulting in a classroom filled with concentration, giggles, and bursts of pride as each child held up their finished work.

Despite heavy rain on the third day, the children arrived with enthusiasm for the lesson on *“different foods and how to describe them.”* Teachers Nubaid and Raed guided the class through new vocabulary, laughter often breaking out over tricky pronunciations. Worksheets reinforced learning, but the highlight came when students described their favourite dishes – from pizza and noodles to sweets – filling the room with excitement and lively chatter.

The fourth session introduced the theme of *“your daily routine.”* Teachers Muzaina, Mahnuma, and Mahek welcomed the children warmly before leading them through vocabulary on times of the day, tenses, and common activities. With worksheets and guidance, the students quickly grasped how to describe their everyday lives, working eagerly with their teachers to build confidence in speaking English.

What made the programme even more remarkable was the growth of the *young teachers* themselves. Taking on the role of educators gave them the opportunity to practise leadership, patience, and creativity in real time. They learnt how to manage a classroom, encourage hesitant learners, and explain concepts in simple, engaging ways. Many expressed how rewarding it felt to see the children’s progress and how the experience gave them new confidence in their own abilities – skills that will serve them well in future academic and professional endeavours.

Through every lesson, what stood out most was the joyful collaboration between teachers and students. The children’s growing confidence, their eagerness to share, and the supportive atmosphere created by their young teachers turned each session into an enriching experience.

This initiative goes beyond language learning – it nurtures confidence, creativity, and communication skills that will benefit your child across all areas of their education. By engaging in interactive activities, children not only improve their English but also learn how to express their thoughts clearly, work with peers, and enjoy the process of discovery. At the same time, our young teachers gain valuable leadership experience and a deeper sense of responsibility, making this programme a mutually rewarding journey.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Panchkhola Primary School for partnering with Sir John Wilson School (SJWS) to create this knowledge-sharing platform. Together, we are helping children discover the joy of learning and the power of collaboration.



## GirlUp Club Leads Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Drive



Throughout the month of September, the GirlUp Club of Sir John Wilson School organised a Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Drive during library classes, aiming to address one of the most significant yet often overlooked topics in young girls' development.

In this recent initiative, the club sought to combat the stigma surrounding menstruation and provide accurate information and reassurance to girls of Grades 5 and 6 who are at the beginning of this natural journey. The sessions were designed to be both informative and engaging, creating a safe space for discussion where students could ask questions freely and gain confidence in understanding their own bodies.

The sessions were conducted by members of the GirlUp Club, who used thoughtfully prepared presentations to guide the discussions. Held in the school library, the drive fostered an open and supportive environment for learning — a setting that encouraged empathy, comfort, and awareness.

Recognising that menstruation can often be a confusing and sometimes painful experience, the initiative helped students realise that it is a natural and healthy part of growing up. By encouraging open dialogue, the club took an important step towards breaking the taboo that surrounds the subject.

The GirlUp Club's commitment to advocacy and education continues to inspire, and through projects like this, the members hope to reshape perspectives and promote understanding — one project at a time.



## Sports

**Celebrating 30 Years of SJWS with the 30th Anniversary Football Tournament!**



To commemorate 30 glorious years of Sir John Wilson School, a spirited **30th Anniversary Football Tournament** was held from 1st to 18th September 2025, bringing together the excitement, teamwork, and sportsmanship that define our school community. This 30th Anniversary Tournament was a student-run event organised by Quazi Nazeef Ahmed and Nubaid Ahmed, students of class 10, guided by the P.E. Department. Our school always promotes student leadership and their initiative drew funds amounting to Taka 30,000 for contributing to the education of students of JAAGO Foundation School. We thank all the participants and parents for their strong support shown for the event.

The tournament featured students from Classes 5 to 12, divided into two competitive categories — Classes 5–7 and Classes 8–12. Over the course of three thrilling weeks, our young athletes displayed remarkable skill, discipline, and determination on the field, making this event a true celebration of the school's sporting spirit.

In the Classes 5–7 category, Team 7B emerged as the Champion, while Team 7A secured the Runner-up position after a gripping final match. The Best Goalkeeper title went to Mashfee Bin Rubaiyat (7B), the Best Defender award was claimed by Afraz Raiaan (7B), and the Most Valuable Player (MVP) honour went to Ahmed Anas Aref (7A) for his exceptional performance and leadership.

In the Classes 8–12 category, Team 10A triumphed as Champion, with Team 9A taking the Runner-up title. Quazi Nazeef Ahmed (10A) was recognised as the Best Goalkeeper, Nubaid Ahmed (10A) earned the Best Defender title, and Ayaat Alam (10A) was celebrated as the Most Valuable Player for her outstanding contribution.

The tournament not only celebrated three decades of SJWS excellence but also reflected the values that have guided the school since its founding — teamwork, perseverance, and the joy of learning both on and off the field.

As the school marks this milestone year, the success of the football tournament stands as a testament to the vibrant spirit and unity of the Sir John Wilson School community.

Congratulations to all the players, coaches, and supporters who made this event a grand success!

