

Student-led Initiatives Take Centre Stage at Oakridge International School, Bengaluru

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International Schools across India are increasingly embracing student agency—a transformative approach that places learners at the centre of their educational journey. Oakridge International School Bengaluru has been a forerunner of this methodology as an IB continuum school, empowering students to take ownership of their learning process.



Student Council Members at Investiture Ceremony (AY 24-25)

*"When students feel heard and valued in the school, they become empowered," explains **Kavita Sukhani, Principal, [Oakridge International School Bengaluru](#)**. "Our students graduate from school with everything they need for success – whatever they choose to be or do in life."*

The initiatives by Student Council at Oakridge exemplify how learner agency positively impacts both the school community and society at large.

▪ Oak Insider – Digital Community Building

Teachers at Oakridge constantly train students on digital etiquette and encourage responsible use of gadgets which is an essential self-management skill. This academic year, the student-led Instagram page garnered 60,000+ views and 1,000+ interactions, establishing an effective communication channel for school events.

▪ OAKMUN – Oakridge Model United Nations

Oakridge International School, Bengaluru hosted its 9th edition of prestigious Model United Nations, bigger & better as OAK MUN in November 2024. The one of its kind MUN in the city, solely organized by the student leaders witnessed the participation of 350+ students from 12 schools. The event is expanding to international level as SEAMEI OAKMUN in September 2025.

▪ **CASNIVAL – Creativity, Activity, and Service in Action**

Christmas is when students celebrate the “**Joy of Giving**” through CASnival. Students organized food and game stalls, raising Rs. 1.5 lakhs to support the different charitable causes they are part of. Their efforts contributed to community development and to the Social Impact campaign of Nord Anglia Education.

▪ **Codefest – Overnight Hackathon**

The 8th edition of Oakridge Codefest, the prestigious overnight hackathon witnessed more than 100 participants contesting to secure cash prizes from a pool of Rs. 1.5 lakhs. The student committee successfully secured Adobe as the event sponsor with the teachers supporting them to independently organise a large event.

▪ **Relay for Life – Social Impact Campaign**

This Social Impact initiative steered by the student-led Social Outreach Committee at Oakridge successfully raised Rs. 2,20,000 for the activities of Indian Cancer Society. Students brought together the school community for Relay for Life, an overnight walkathon dedicated to celebrating cancer survivors, honouring the loved ones lost, and raising funds for the work that aids cancer patients.

▪ Phoenix Cup – Interschool Sports Competition

The interschool sports competition featured basketball, football, and swimming events, drawing around 400 enthusiastic participants from 12 schools across Bengaluru. The event highlighted student independence and autonomy in organizing the event and networking with fellow players from different schools.

▪ Inter House Activities & Cultural Celebrations

Regular house-wise competitions ensure a supportive ecosystem for students to celebrate inquiry and creativity. Through the year, the Student Council also organizes celebrations for Dussehra, Diwali, Halloween, Winter Spirit Week, Teachers' Day, and Good Luck Party, promoting inclusivity and encouraging cultural appreciation within the school community.

"We are constantly on the lookout for opportunities where the Council can support students and enrich their school experience. This year, one of our key focuses is to strengthen school and student culture by organizing a variety of events throughout the year", says **Yajwin Krishna, Student Council President (AY 24-25)**. Speaking of student agency at Oakridge, he further added, *"The events are closely aligned with our school's mission and vision, which remain at the heart of all Council initiatives. We have an open environment where students feel encouraged to voice their thoughts and opinions. Our Student Council is truly by the students, for the students,"* **Sachit Shastri, Student Council Vice President (AY 24-25)** echoed the same sentiment.

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