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Tushar Gandhi address GIIS students on Mahatma Gandhi's 143rd birth anniversary; marks UN International Day of Non-violence

- Global Indian International School (GIIS) and Global Organization of People of Indian Origin (GOPIO) commemorated the United Nations International Day of Non-Violence at GIIS Queenstown Campus on the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi's birth anniversary on October 2, 2012.

- Mr Tushar Gandhi, great grandson of Mahatma Gandhi, delivered a keynote address on the occasion. In his message for students, Mr Gandhi said, "It gives me great pleasure to see that GIIS is doing such a yeoman job of spreading knowledge and wisdom globally".



- Padma Shri Sat Pal Khattar, Chairman of Khattar Holdings, presided as the Guest of Honour at the event. In his message for students, Mr Sat Pal Khattar said, "I am delighted to be here on this auspicious occasion. May this good will last forever in the spirit of the great Mahatma".
- Also present at the event were Dr T C A Raghavan, High Commissioner of India to Singapore, Mr Lee Kwang Boon, Vice-President of the United Nations Association (UNA) in Singapore, and Mr Ameerali Jumabhoy, Chairman, Mahatma Gandhi Committee, GOPIO

- Mr Lee Kwang Boon delivered a special message from United Nations' Secretary General, Ban Ki-moon, on this occasion. "In these times of global turmoil and transition, it is fitting that we take a moment to reflect on Gandhi's message of understanding and



peace”, read the message.

- In his own words, Mr Lee further added, “You students are truly lucky (that) you have the blessings of good education and youth. My advice to you is when you leave here, whatever assignment you take on, do it well, show leadership and make a difference”.
- Abhinaya Murugappan and Mayank Kumar, CBSE Class 12 students at GIIS Queenstown Campus, said, “It was truly inspiring as it changed the meaning of non-violence for us! As Mr Gandhi shared real stories of struggles faced by freedom fighters, it made us feel the need for perseverance”.
- GIIS is the only Indian International School to have set up a dedicated centre for imparting the teachings and philosophies of Mahatma Gandhi through the Mahatma Gandhi Centre for Values and Thoughts (MGCVT).

About Global Indian International School

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GIIS schools have been honoured with 17 international and national awards over a span of 5 years for achieving Excellence in School Education. Today, GIIS boasts a strong multicultural student body, as children from diverse nationalities have enrolled across its campuses.

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