

Indian film industry's youth icon Farhan Akhtar visits Global Indian International School (GIIS) as part of GIIS Leadership Lecture series

Multi-faceted actor interacts with GIIS students across South East Asia through face-to-face discussion and live video-conference session

- Global Indian International School (GIIS) Queenstown Campus, Singapore hosted the **GIIS Leadership Lecture Series** on Saturday, 12 April 2014 with Indian film industry's youth icon, **Farhan Akhtar**.
- The visit was a historic moment for the school as this was Farhan's first visit to an international school outside of India. In addition, the multi-faceted actor who was in Singapore for his concert *Farhan Live* chose GIIS as his first stop in the city.
- Excited to interact with students at GIIS, Farhan touched upon various topics raised by students during the interaction session; ranging from his inspiration behind making path-breaking films to his passion for music.
- GIIS students of various nationalities from campuses in Malaysia and India also joined the interaction with Farhan through a live video conference session.
- Farhan's message to students was to "stay true to your goals and to listen to your inner voice." He further advised students to "inculcate discipline and eventually everything will fall into place", citing how it helped him in the success of his critically acclaimed and National award-winning directorial debut, *Dil Chahta Hai* (2001).
- Farhan Akhtar, as a role model for youth and achiever in the field of performing arts has influenced many young minds. Students were enthralled by his presence and success stories; learning lessons for their lives.
- GIIS Leadership Lecture Series has been graced by eminent personalities over the years, including former President of India, Dr A P J Abdul Kalam; former cricketer and sports legend, Sachin Tendulkar; Academy award-winning composer, A R





Rahman; Nobel Laureate, Professor Richard Ernst; and award-winning Bollywood director-actor father-son duo, Rakesh and Hrithik Roshan, among others.

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About Global Indian International School

Global Indian International School (GIIS) – established under the guiding principles of Global Schools Foundation – is an international network of award-winning schools, with 21 campuses in 7 countries. Known for their skill-based and learner-centric curricula, GIIS offers holistic learning and personality development opportunities for students.

GIIS schools have been honoured with 30 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.

Adopting a holistic approach to learning and character development, the school's **Nine Gems®** model is a proprietary tool to achieve a balance between academics and experience, mental and physical development, fine arts and performing arts, language skills and creativity, personality development, ethics and entrepreneurship.

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