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My name is Sophie Nonikashvili, American High School Student. I have been at the European School for 18 months now and I can honestly say that the school provided me with the knowledge and understanding, I need for achieving success in the future.

Since childhood, I was very curious; I was interested in everything and asked lots of questions. I was getting information from adults and interpreted it my way. My curious personality only got stronger with time. As a result, I am actively involved in different activities. I always try to gain as much experience as possible that's why I am planning to take on a summer internship in the field of Healthcare at Stanford University.

My family members live abroad, that's how traveling became part of my life (which I enjoy very much). Even though I travel a lot, every time I visit foreign countries I discover something different, something new. Being among other nationalities and exploring the different cultures helps me to grow as a person and discover the world. I have changed my hobbies several times. First, I started with singing at the age of three, then I continued with Latin and Georgian dances. I enjoyed performing on stage, but wanted to try working in front of the cameras as well. About two years ago I was selected to play a role in a movie called "Donation". Acting in this movie gave me the understanding of what it takes to become an actor, and the skills required to work in front of the camera. Following this movie, I played the role of Willy Wonka in the play called "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory". After all this exposure I have to admit I am in love with this industry, that is why I take acting classes in NYC whenever I have a chance. This also teaches me how to better communicate with audiences and become a good public speaker. Recently I became chairman of the European School Student Parliament and all my past experiences helped me to succeed during the election.

I also recently got interested in Psychology and started to work on a junior project, which is about the brain's activity while listening to music.

After reading this article you probably are curious which profession I will choose for my future. I can't answer this question currently, though I can assure you whatever I decide to become I will work hard to be successful.



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Memorandum of Cooperation between the European School and Georgian National Museum

Sophio Bazadze, the Academic Director of the European School, and Davit Lortkipanidze, the Director General of Georgian National Museum, signed a Memorandum of Cooperation between the European School and Georgian National Museum, November 21, 2017. The MOC aims at deepening co-operation in the field of education. In accordance with the MOC, the European School will be engaged in public lectures, seminars and science conferences organized at the Georgian National Museum. Parties to the Memorandum will share educational and scientific information with each other. In order to fulfill the MOC objectives, joint activities, meetings, Olympiads and conferences will be put in place. After the signing ceremony, Davit Lortkipanidze delivered a public lecture and discussed the significance of art, science and research in education.



DP Students on School Trips

November has turned out to be a month of trips for students in DP grades 11 and 12. 11th graders spent a two-day weekend in Kutaisi and visited Prometheus and Sataplia Caves along with historical churches and cathedrals on November 25-26, 2017.

12th graders took a trip to Manglisi where they attended a workshop organized by their TOK coordinator, prepared their TOK presentations and later on, toured the town and engaged in sport activities.

IB MYP and DP Students Join UN-led Activism against Gender-Based Violence

Students from IB MYP and DP programmes decided to unite their efforts and join the UN-led 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence campaign. The campaign is running from November 25 to December 10. The theme of the campaign for 2017 is "Leave no one behind: end violence against women and girls." In order to speak up against violence, students from MYP and DP worked collaboratively and made a short film. During the course of filming, they decided to speak out in their native languages to condemn violence against women and spread their message loud and clear to everyone around the world.



PYP 4th Grade United with One Purpose

The 4th graders from the Primary Years Programme learnt about important life concepts such as empathy, respect and tolerance in their first unit: "Let's Help Each Other." The learning process involved research about those people who overcame their disabilities. Inspired by the stories the students heard, three groups from PYP organized a bake sale to raise money to help children diagnosed with Leukemia. They baked cakes in the school kitchen. Some parents volunteered and prepared sweets at home. The following day, students sold their cakes and sweets in the IB Café. They raised enough money to buy necessary school supplies. A couple of days later, November 3, PYP 4th graders visited M. Iashvili Children's Central Hospital. They provided patients who are undergoing Leukemia treatment with get well soon cards and warm letters, gave them gifts and sang songs. Supporting children while they are getting medical treatment helps them re-connect with the outside world. Having visited the hospital, our students now are more aware of the diseases that some children are suffering from. They also realized that they can make a real difference in their peers' everyday lives by showing them empathy and making their social adjustment a little bit easier.

