

ISA UPDATES 2018-19

- **AUSTRALIA –STUDENT EXCHANGE** The collaboration of Bal Bharati Public School, Pitampura, Delhi (BBPS) and Dapto High School, NSW, Australia (DHS) materialized via the prestigious India Australia Bridge Programme. 7 students of classes X and XII and 2 teachers Ms. Kajal Sachdeva and Ms. Tanu Jain of BBPS visited DHS from 18th May 2018 to 25th May 2018. The students and teachers from BBPS were awestruck by the hospitality. The home stay families were affable and made the kids comfortable with their very warm and forthcoming attitude. The staff at school was more than willing to share their knowledge and school practices. The immaculate planning by the Dapto team was commendable as it helped our team to experience various skill building activities in the school. **The live performance of the Street Play where our students and the students of Dapto High performed together at the Dapto Mall was a grand success and an awesome example of the international collaboration to send a powerful message to the audience to address the serious issue of Domestic Violence, a common concern. The BBPS ambassadors returned home with heavy hearts but with beautiful memories of the unique, memorable exchange which has strengthened the bridge across borders. This exchange has widened their perspective towards mutual differences amongst individuals and has made them more tolerant towards diverse beliefs.**

- **ISSE EXCHANGE - BBPS, PITAMPURA & BETHANY SCHOOL, CINCINNATI, OHIO, USA**

A group of five students from classes V and VI and two teachers, Ms. Monica Keswani and Ms. Garima Wadhwa, visited **Bethany School, Cincinnati, Ohio** from **28th September 2018 to 19th October, 2018** under the **ISSE (International School to School Experience) Cultural Exchange Program**. The students and teachers stayed with their respective partners and their families during these three weeks. At Bethany School, our students and teachers effectively delivered lessons on Indian art and architecture, costumes/dresses of India, music, dance and festivals of India. The team also got the opportunity to be part of the classes and learn about the various teaching practices followed there.

Crossing yet another milestone, the Primary Department extended its hand of camaraderie to the Delegation from **Bethany School, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA**. **A group of four students and two teachers from Bethany School visited our school from 23rd November to 14th December, 2018** under the ISSE Cultural Exchange Program. During their 21 day stay with the host families, the students shared practical lessons on Indian art, architecture, music and dance and Indian values too. Pot lunches hosted by different classes taught valuable lessons in caring and sharing. The highlight was a Nukkad Natak on 'Road Safety' that the visiting and the Indian host students performed together. At the farewell assembly, the delegation reminisced their cherished moments at school. The exchange was truly a great learning experience for all and shall prove to be yet another milestone in building and fostering bonds of peace and friendship across all boundaries...

- **INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH THE FORMER PRIME MINISTER OF UK, MR. TONY BLAIR**

In a special event organised by Generation Global on 9th January 2019, Bal Bharati Public School was one of the seven schools selected across Delhi-NCR to attend an interactive session with the Former Prime Minister of UK, Mr Tony Blair. Five students of class X along with Ms. Kavita Dhar Headmistress (Senior) and Ms. Nidhi Sood from the English

department participated in this programme hosted by Tagore International School, East of Kailash.

The event initiated with an interactive session among the students and Mr Tony Blair. This was followed by a candid discussion with the teaching community where Mrs Kavita Dhar opened the session by sharing how VCs are leveraged by our school and have become an indispensable part of our routine curriculum, enabling cross cultural awareness and exchange. She also touched upon how VCs have become an integral part of the assessment process in classes IX and X. The session was as expected, very enlightening and left an impact on both the students and teaching fraternity present.

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