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Sector 18A, Dwarka, New Delhi

# News Letter

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# CULTURAL EXCHANGE CORNER



Program Name  
AFS YES Abroad Program,  
2022-23

**Ms. Raina Luke**

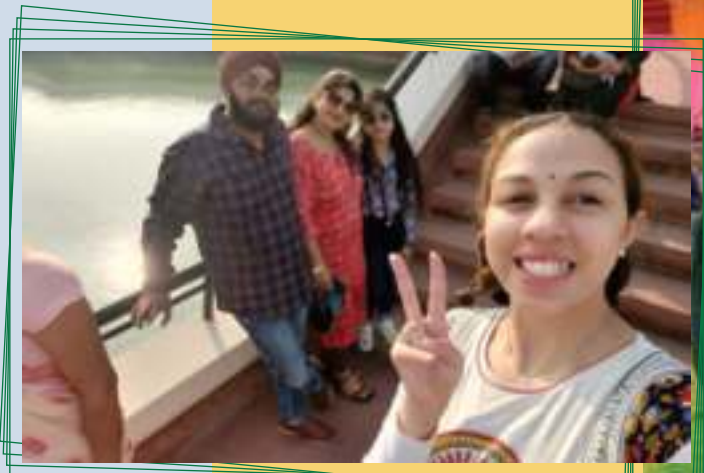
Ms. Raina Luke joined Delhi International School Edge with a deep desire to learn about Indian culture and language. Her curiosity, warmth, and enthusiasm quickly made her a beloved part of our school community. From participating in traditional festivals to engaging with students in the classroom, she embraced every moment with joy. Her presence added vibrancy and a unique charm to our campus, making this exchange truly enriching for all. We wish her the very best as she carries a piece of India in her heart!



# CULTURAL SHOWCASE



# HOST FAMILIES



Raina was hosted by our own faculty members Ms. Gurjeet Kaur & Ms. Richa. Living with an Indian host family was a heartwarming and enriching experience for our exchange student. They learned to embrace Indian traditions, enjoyed home cooked meals, and celebrated festivals like Diwali with joy. The warmth, respect for elders, and strong family bonds left a lasting impression. They also picked up basic Hindi phrases and loved the vibrant daily life. This experience helped them grow, connect deeply with a new culture, and create lifelong memories.

# AFS NSLI-Y PROGRAM, 2024



- Sadie Benjamin
- Ashva Ramesh
- Margaret Adlakha
- Diksha Krishnaswamy
- Pamela Musungu
- Amina Orom Underwood
- Naomi Grauman
- Chase Hatch

Delhi International School Edge was delighted to host 8 enthusiastic NSLI-Y (National Security Language Initiative for Youth) students as part of a cultural and language exchange program. Eager to immerse themselves in Indian traditions, they actively participated in school life—learning Hindi, celebrating festivals, and bonding with their host families. Their presence brought fresh perspectives and lively interactions to our campus. This experience fostered cross-cultural friendships and deepened mutual respect and understanding. We wish them continued success as they carry the spirit of India with them!

# ON THE CAMPUS





# HOST FAMILIES





A big thank you to the incredible host families who warmly welcomed the 8 NSLI-Y students into their homes for five weeks. Your generosity, care, and support provided them with not just a place to stay, but a true sense of belonging. Through shared meals, conversations, and cultural celebrations, you helped create memories that will last a lifetime. Your role was key in making this exchange meaningful and successful. We deeply appreciate your commitment to cultural connection and global friendship.

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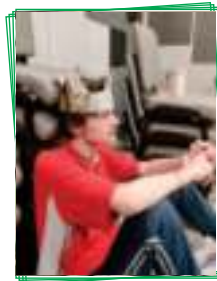
Program Name  
AFS YES Abroad Program,  
2024-25

Mr. William Jay Purves

We were delighted to host William Jay Purves, an exchange student from the United States, through the prestigious AFS YES Abroad Program. During his stay, William actively participated in school life, engaged with students and staff, and embraced Indian culture with great enthusiasm. His presence brought a spirit of global friendship and intercultural learning to our community. From classroom discussions to cultural outings, William left a lasting impact. His journey with us concluded in May, but the memories and connections he built will remain cherished. We wish him the very best in all his future endeavors.



# ON THE CAMPUS



# HOST FAMILY



The Williams family's time in India was made truly special thanks to the warmth and hospitality of their host family—Kaveer, Bhuveer, and Aveer. Together, they shared joyful moments, from family dinners and cultural celebrations to everyday conversations that deepened their connection. The boys welcomed Williams with open hearts, making him feel like a true member of the family. This beautiful bond reflected the spirit of cultural exchange—built on friendship, respect, and shared experiences that will be cherished forever.

# MELODIES FROM AFAR WELCOMING OUR JULY ENSEMBLE



**Program Name**  
AFS YES Abroad Program,  
2025–26

**Evelyn Fath Eller - USA**

**Host Families**  
Surbhi Dutt, Myrah Pareek

Evelyn, a friendly and helpful student who brings a spirit of joy and community. A black belt in Taekwondo, she enjoys helping others and is eager to build strong peer connections. Evelyn is excited to experience new cultures and advocates for what she believes in.

**Program Name**  
AFS YES Abroad Program,  
2025–26

**Simonetta Ruggiero - Italy**

**Host Family – Amyra Hasan**

Simonetta is a warm, open-minded girl who enjoys spending time with her family, exploring and movies. Passionate about English and Philosophy, she dreams of a future in arts or drama. She values deep connections and is eager to embrace new cultures and friendships during her exchange journey.



# NATIONAL MEET SUNBEAM SCHOOL, VARANASI



Our students proudly represented Delhi International School Edge at the AFS 4th National Meet hosted by Sunbeam Varuna, Varanasi, with the theme “Embrace Diversity and Inspire.” With 120 delegates from 60 schools across India, the three-day conference offered enriching keynote addresses, cultural showcases, and heritage walks. Students Rishu Negi and Tejas Bhatnagar beautifully performed a Garhwali dance, celebrating Uttarakhand’s culture. Engaging sessions by eminent speakers and interactive panel discussions promoted global citizenship and unity in diversity. It was a truly inspiring and memorable learning experience for all participants.



# NATIONAL MEET, INDORE, 2023



AFS 5th annual meet held in Emerald Heights International School, Indore from 23rd to 25th October. The theme was Ahinsa. Around 100 schools participated in the meet. There were around 50 delegates from various countries present during the meet. During the meet India's cultural diversity and oneness was showcased. Delhi International School Edge has been associated with AFS to spread the internationalism. As a member school, Delhi International School Edge was represented by Naman Pokharna of class 11th and Arya Verma of Class 9th. They were accompanied by Ms. Pratima Singh, AFS coordinator of the school.



**AFS India Member Schools 5th National Meet**  
**23 - 26 October 2023**



**Hosted by The Emerald Heights International School, Indore**





# ACTIVITIES ORGANISED AT NATIONAL LEVEL

## Cultural Exchange DIS Edge & Mediacaps International School, Indore



Delhi International School Edge partnered with Medi-Caps International School for a two-day AFS virtual exchange program for Classes 3 to 5, celebrating the cultures of Madhya Pradesh and Delhi. Medi-Caps showcased the vibrant heritage, cuisine, and traditions of Madhya Pradesh on Day 1. On Day 2, DIS Edge students presented a creative "Delhi Darshan" through segments like Delhi Meri Jaan, Cultural Diversity, and Rag Rag Mein Delhi, highlighting the city's history, monuments, food, and initiatives. The event beautifully promoted cultural learning and unity in diversity among young learners.



# ACTIVITIES ORGANISED AT NATIONAL LEVEL

Delhi International School Edge, in collaboration with AFS, hosted the national-level Speak to Lead competition with over 50 schools participating. Students eloquently presented strategies to preserve India's cultural heritage in the first round, with 13 finalists advancing to the extempore round. Finalists impressed judges with their quick thinking and powerful oratory, showcasing the importance of public speaking skills. Top 5 winners were applauded for their clarity, confidence, and content, making the event a grand success.



# SWAYAM-VAHA THE POTPOURRI OF MECHANICAL PERCEPTION



On 27th January 2023, DIS Edge hosted Swayam-Vaha, a virtual AFS event on robotics, featuring 20 innovative student submissions from AFS schools across India. Esteemed guests from AFS and industry leaders inspired students on the role of AI and robotics in shaping the future. Highlights included a classical dance, nukkad natak on Mission LiFE, and robotic project showcases judged by experts from RoboBox. The event celebrated creativity, environmental responsibility, and innovation, leaving lasting memories and inspiration.



# AFS TRAININGS



Delhi International School Edge proudly participated in AFS India's Changemakers and Pathway to Global Classroom programs from 2022 to 2024. Students explored SDGs and community projects, developing leadership and global citizenship skills. Educators gained tools to build inclusive, multicultural classrooms aligned with NEP goals. These enriching trainings empowered our school community with global awareness and meaningful impact.



# AFS SCHOLARSHIP - EDUCATORS

We are delighted to share that Ms. Pratima Singh (2023) and Ms. Neha Gupta (2024) were awarded the prestigious AFS Global Up Scholarship. Both educators completed the certification and are now proud AFS Certified Global Educators. Their achievement reflects a strong commitment to global learning and intercultural understanding. This recognition adds great value to our school's vision of nurturing globally aware educators and students.



# ACHIEVEMENTS

We are proud to share that our students participated in prestigious AFS National events hosted by member schools across India. Lakshya secured 1st position in the Most Experimental Text (Prose) category at a national-level competition organized by Sunbeam School, Lahartara. Additionally, Kashvi Tiwari and Surbhi Dutt received a Special Mention in the Forgotten Art Competition conducted by Pacific World School. These achievements reflect our students' creativity, talent, and enthusiastic engagement in cultural and literary pursuits.





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