

PARTNERING FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOOL EDUCATION

SAI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
BHUBANESWAR



Quality education is a pre requisite for shaping lives of our progeny and hence ameliorating excellence in Education has always been a matter of prime importance for SAI International School. The pursuit of excellence to achieve resonant revolution in school education requires steps and measures that drive us beyond the horizons of our vision. Partnering with world class Universities and schools across the globe, teacher and student exchange programs, emulating the best practices with an absolute understanding of the tried and tested teaching learning methods are some of the ways SAI International brings in excellence in its pedagogy to ultimately nurture a generation of discreet individuals.

Looking to further broaden the International ties of SAI International School and to increase educational and research opportunities for its students and faculty, Chairman, Dr. Bijoy Sahoo visited our partner schools in the United Kingdom in the month of June. The agenda of this visit was to strengthen the already existing bonds and formulate new ones, at the same time explore other opportunities for our School's enhancement. Visiting the highly acclaimed institutions of the west, Dr. Sahoo brings with him new theories and concepts of Differential Learning.



Dr. Sahoo visited our long term partner of five years, **Chosen Hill School**, Gloucestershire and met with the Head Teacher, **Ms. Sue Turner** to discuss on the qualitative improvement on schooling. Performance management of pupil (2-8 years) and teachers was discussed in a meeting with **Ms. Kathy Rayers**, Head Teacher, **Churchdown Infant School**, Gloucestershire.

Winterbourne International Academy, Bristol, another partner school served as a sojourn for Dr. Sahoo where he met with **Mr. Rob Evans**, the Academy Principal and **Mr. Robin Taylor**, Federation Director to discuss on Data Analysis and use of data to monitor performance. As each child is unique and has an individual temperament, behavioral management becomes of prime importance and this was the highlight of a meeting between **Mr. Jacqs Graham**, the Deputy Academy Principal and our Chairman. He also met **Ms. Shelley Swift**, the Federation Head of International Science learning area, for lesson observation.

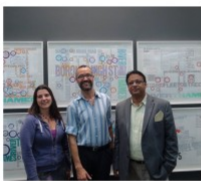


Dr. Sahoo also visited the **Yate International Academy** and met with the principal, **Mr. Robert Gilbert** and **Mr. Allan Parris**, Head of Sixth Form and discussed on the Impact of new build and Vocational studies respectively. The meetings provided an opportunity for the chairman to learn more about the education system within these settings and to further expand SAI International's network of global learning. Primary education is the important building block of a child and inputs were taken about innovative teaching methods on the same and frameworks to enhance the quality of education were discussed in a meeting with **Ms. Julie Hogan**, the Head Teacher of **Woodlands Primary Phase** and **Ms. Debbie Williams**, the Head Teacher of **Elm Park Primary School**. Dr. Sahoo had a rendezvous with **Dr. R S Gibson**, the Chief Executive Principal of **The Riding's Federation** and explored on the possibilities of further collaboration between the schools.

Dr. Sahoo has the vision of building an all girls residential school and hence the visit to **The Red Maids' School** for girls which is the top ranking private school for girls established back in 1964 proved fruitful. On meeting **Ms. Isabel Tobias**, Headmistress of the School, he took inputs on the systems of the school.



A true visionary, Dr. Sahoo has always tried to incorporate the best practices in the curriculum followed at SAI and give a global dimension of learning to our students. To further this he visited the **University of Bath** and met with **Dr. Mary Hayden**, Head of the Department of Education and **Prof. Jeff Thompson**, CBE, to explore the possibilities of collaborating as educational partners to upgrade the school standards and also bring in professional development of teachers. He also visited the **University of Exeter** and met with **Ms. Rachel King**, Assistant Director to discuss on partnering of SAI International School with the University.



Global learning is an all time high and it typically means students learning about the wider world. A global learner is creative, critical, self aware, globally aware, open minded, inquisitive, reflective, connected, keen on taking action for a better world and willing. Many schools have been successfully participating in global learning activities through initiatives such as international school partnerships, active global citizenship, fundraising and campaigning, fair trade schools, the ISA, Eco schools, Philosophy for children and various subject specific activities. The long term exploration of key global issues within international projects embedded across the curriculum, supported by videoconference meetings between students and staff and face-to-face meetings in the year has led to a significant impact in their global perspective. Dr. Sahoo met with **Mr. Tom Franklin**, Chief Executive of **Think Global - the Development**

Education Association to understand the dynamics of Global learning and introduce a global learning on-line course for teachers for trial at SAI and WIA together. Think Global, SAI and WIA are now putting together a written agreement of objectives to develop the partnership focused around global learning.

In the 10 day long eduction, the Chairman of SAI International School, a pioneer in bringing a Global dimension to education in the eastern region of our country, spent significant time with a large number of staff and senior members of the WIA. This included observations of lessons, involvement in staff meetings and personal time with key members of staff to understand the leadership and embedding of education with a global context within this. It is a constant endeavor of Dr. Sahoo to bring in the wider world inside a classroom and provide a wholesome, holistic development to each child.

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