

**COUNSELLING SESSION BY UK UNIVERSITIES AT SAI INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL**



The mission of SAI International School is achieving its fulfillment with the supportive co-operation of our distinguished parents. The School aims at holistic development, academics beyond excellence, International exposure, career building, effective communication skills, and scientific aptitude for every child, who is associated with it. SAI International School has always believed in the individual talents, built platforms and provided numerous scopes for eliciting, nurturing and chiseling the talents of children in the school.



Career is an extremely important decision to undertake especially in the Secondary Education level for each student in a meritocratic society and choosing early is a correct step in the right direction.

SAI International School hence has a built in facility for career coaching in the senior secondary level for each student depending on his/her aptitude and interests, carried out by leaders in the field, nationally and internationally.



The School hosted six universities led by Ms Marina Gandhi of British Council on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2012 for student counseling. The representatives of the Universities of Birmingham City University, New castle University, University of Manchester, Robert Gordon University, Swansea University and University of Wolverhampton spoke to the students of class XII and SICC (SAI International College of Commerce) and their parents.



The consultants spoke in details about the various courses, the procedural details, of admission, scholarships and their availability, the course fee, the course duration and other facilities according to the needs and demands of the students. Most of the students had an in depth information on a one to one basis from the consultants of the Universities. The availability of information of the global Universities from the school campus substantiated our commitment for excellence in its true virtue.

## Head Teacher from Church down Village Infant School UK, in SAI



SAI International School has achieved a remarkable position in the country with the several International programs. The School has had many reciprocal visits of students and teachers with the partner Schools in UK under the British Council Global School Partnership program. The School has established partnerships with four schools in UK and linked with 30 schools for different projects with UK and other countries of the Globe.

Mrs Katherine Rayers, Head teacher of Church down Village Infant School, Gloucester, UK reached SAI on 19<sup>th</sup> September on a seven days' visit. This was in reciprocation to the visit of the trustee Mrs Silpi Sahoo, who visited the partner School in June 2012. Mrs Rayers was extended a warm welcome in the School. During her weeklong stay in SAI, she was involved in several classroom activities and visited the local monuments besides Puri and Konark.

Mrs Rayers was over whelmed to see the wonderful facilities the School has provided to the students. The Head teacher from UK interacted with the Primary teachers and shared teaching techniques and discipline methods used in the UK. There were several interactive sessions with different levels of teachers. She even conducted workshops and shared a lot of teaching techniques with the teachers. Mrs Rayers observed some classes and did a story telling session with the very young kids, introducing British authors to the Indian students. She even did a craft activity for the students. The guest also met the management and the International team to discuss future projects and endeavours.



Mrs Rayers was overjoyed to see the beautiful places in Bhubaneswar like the Nandan Kanan, Ekamra Haat, Mukteswar temple, Dhauli Giri and the Tribal Museum . A tour to Konark and the beach of Puri was also a very exciting experience for the visitor from England. Dinner was hosted for the guest by teachers every day, to let them be a part of some Indian families and experience the family culture of India.

The Chairman of the School Dr B.K. Sahoo expressed his great pleasure over the success of the reciprocal visits between SAI and Church down Infant School and was optimistic about the partnership being long term



and sustainable. Another reciprocal visit was planned. Two teachers from the same school in UK would visit SAI in December 2012 and in February 2013.

The Head teacher from UK returned back on the 26th of September, happy and overwhelmed and hoping to have great benefits for each other's Schools, to build a long lasting partnership.

### **British Council Connecting Classroom School Programs Briefing Session**



The British Council conducted a workshop for the principals and senior teachers of the city and the neighbouring cities on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2012, to disseminate information about the different school programmes of connecting classroom and particularly the ISA (International School Program). This half day session was organized by SAI as the Ambassador school to motivate and support other schools in their International activities. British Council representative Mr Mrigank Mukherjee conducted the session and answered the numerous questions from the participants.

