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## DPS GURGAON: INDO-FRENCH STUDENT CULTURAL EXCHANGE

The students of Delhi Public School, Gurgaon welcomed their French partners from Cite Scolaire St Exupery of the Rhone Alpes region on 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2018. This year 16 French students along with their accompanying teachers Ms Keri Benta and Ms Veronique Repplinger participated in the Seventh Rhythm of the Indo French Exchange Programme.

The French students were given a traditional welcome at the school. Their stay included attending the school and participating in activities like yoga, dance, cricket, self-defence, art and sculpture. They also attended regular classes with their Indian partners to have a first-hand experience of the Indian education system.

The French and Indian students visited the French embassy along with their respective teachers. Madame Claude Thuaudet, Deputy Head of Mission, welcomed all with equal warmth and enthusiasm. She interacted with the French and Indian exchange students and shared her views on the importance of cultural exchanges at school and university levels.

The French students along with their partners will be visiting the historical monuments of Delhi, Jaipur and Agra. During their stay they have been enjoying home made Indian delicacies and learning about the nuances of Indian culture and lifestyle. They were enamoured with the richness of India's heritage, warm tradition, diverse cuisine, colourful markets, fabrics and much more.

Celebrating the strong bond of international friendship a Cultural Evening was organised on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2018. The evening commenced with the Indian and French anthems sung by the students of both countries. The Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra in her address thanked the parents for their hospitality and appreciated the efforts of everyone involved in making the exchange a success. She said that the exchange has helped in building bridges, breaking boundaries and fostering everlasting bonds. Students as well as parents shared their experiences which made the evening memorable. The highlight of the evening was the Bollywood song and dance presented and extravaganza jointly by the French Indian students. This marked the beginning of a long lasting friendship continents. across

