REPORT ON THE ROUND SQUARE CULTURAL AND ACADEMIC EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Vidya Devi Jindal School, Hisar Duration: 5th April – 3rd May 2025

Vidya Devi Jindal School, Hisar, is currently hosting Mathilde and Layla from Roedean School, Johannesburg, South Africa, under the Round Square Cultural and Academic Exchange Programme from 5th April to 3rd May 2025.

Cultural and Academic Immersion

During their stay, the students are actively participating in a range of activities that offer them a deep understanding of both Indian and Western artistic traditions. They are exploring Indian and Western music, engaging in art and craft sessions and learning about the rich history and diverse culture of India.

Educational and Cultural Visits

1. Exploration of Jaipur (Pink City) and Ranthambore National Park
The students have recently visited Jaipur, where they immersed themselves in the cultural richness of
Rajasthan. They tried traditional Rajasthani cuisine, visited heritage sites and experienced local
shopping, gaining first-hand exposure to the region's vibrant history. Their journey continued to

Ranthambore National Park, where they experienced the thrill of a wildlife safari and observed India's natural biodiversity.

2. Industrial Visit

At Jindal Stainless Ltd., they witnessed the steel manufacturing process, gaining valuable insights into India's industrial sector and operations.

3. Historical Learning at Archaeological Excavation Camp, Rakhigarhi

The visit to Rakhigarhi, an important site of the Indus Valley Civilization, introduced them to the ancient roots of Indian history through an interactive and informative archaeological tour.



Integration and Engagement

The exchange students are bonding well with their Indian peers, participating in various school activities, and embracing the spirit of cultural integration and friendship. Their days are filled with learning, laughter and the joy of discovering a new cultural landscape.

Upcoming Journey

To further enhance their experience, the school has planned a cultural and educational trip to Agra and Nainital from 26th April to 29th April 2025. Ms. Erina Mehta has been officially authorised to escort the students, ensuring their safety and well-being throughout the journey.

The ongoing exchange continues to be a mutually enriching experience, building cross-cultural understanding, global awareness and lifelong memories for everyone involved.