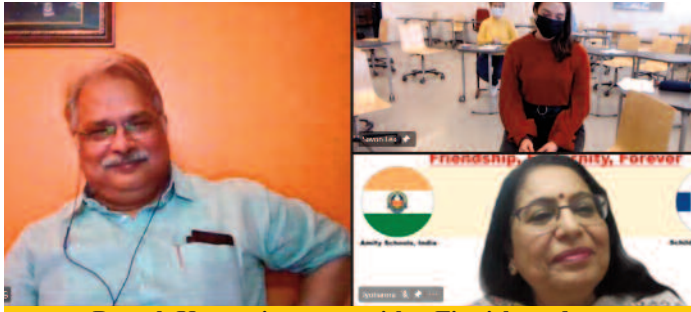


The 1933 Double Eagle, a 20 dollar USD gold coin is the most extravagant coin in the world which was sold for over 7 million USD.

Indo-Finnish exchange

An Intercultural Programme To Strengthen Diversity



Devesh Kumar interacts with a Finnish student



Joonas Könttä interacts with the students of Amity

AERC

The first ever six month long intercultural exchange programme between Amity Group of Schools, India and Schildt High School, Finland culminated with a virtual Indo-Finnish meet held on May 26, 2021. The exchange programme, held from December 16, 2020 -May 26, 2021, was organised to enhance the knowledge of students regarding Parliamentary systems of India and Finland. A total of 15 students from Amity Group of Schools and 14 students from Schildt High School, Finland, participated in five virtual Indo-Finnish meets.

Envisioned by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF, as a platform to enrich global cultural awareness, the programme was facilitated by Amity Educational Resource Centre (AERC). The first virtual meet commenced on December 16, 2020

with a virtual introduction of students from both the schools. Mentors of Schildt High School, Lea Savon and Kaisu Ikaheimo, heartily welcomed Amitians with a video presentation on the beautiful summertime midnight in Finland. Following which students of both the schools interacted with each other about their life, study and school, etc.

The second virtual meet took place on January 27, 2021 wherein students from both the schools interacted about their families, cultures, traditions, hobbies, etc. Amitians showcased many videos on various topics like Indian traditional dance forms, pets, family, music and art, Bollywood, etc. They also showcased videos of their music and dance performances. On the other hand, Finnish students showcased videos of their homes, wherein their mentors also mapped their houses. A gripping Q&A round was also held where the Amitians learnt more about their lifestyle,

dreams, culture, customs, traditions and family.

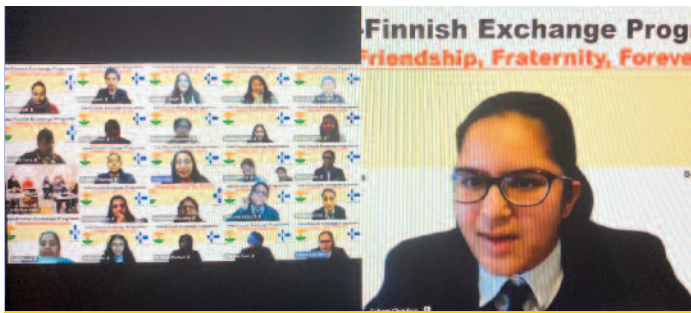
On February 24, 2021, the third meet happened where the students discussed about their school life and celebrations in India and Finland. They shared the curriculum, exam pattern, structure of school days and holidays, assessments, assignments, awards and recognitions, etc. A video based on events and happenings at Amity as well as awards and accolades won by Amitians was also showcased to highlight life at Amity.

The fourth meet was held on April 19, 2021, to get an insight into Finnish Parliamentary system to the students. It was graced by Joonas Könttä, Finnish Member of Parliament and city councillor of Jyväskylä, and Member of European Parliament, Henna Maria Virkunen. During the meet, the parliamentarians apprised students on the electoral procedure and parliamentary system of Finland. Students of Amity also asked about

policies, procedures, laws, etc., in Finland during an interactive Q & A session with both the parliamentarians.

The fifth and the culminating meet based on Indian Parliamentary system was held on May 26, 2021. The meet was graced by Member of Bihar Legislative Council, Devesh Kumar, an acclaimed politician and journalist as the chief guest. In his address to the students, he highlighted cultural and political similarities between India and Finland while focussing on their rich diversities. During the Q&A session, he answered the queries of Finnish students about his life as a journalist and his political career, and also apprised them about Indian Parliamentary system and the electoral process.

The exchange programme gave Amitians an opportunity to understand the functioning of schools as well as life of students in Finland. It also enriched their knowledge about the culture and lifestyle of Finnish citizens. [GFI](#)



Students of Amity interact during the meet



Finnish students present a dance performance



Students express their opinions on telecommunication

Communicating lines

Role Of Telecommunication

AIS Vasundhara 6

Students of Class V D observed World Telecommunication Day through online class assembly held on July 7, 2021. Aimed at enhancing awareness about the impact of telecommunications in life, students were apprised about the role of telecommunication in 21st century digital world. They sang a song and organised a quiz based

on the importance and evolution of telecommunication. As they marveled about the benefits of telecommunications, they also pondered upon the negative effects of excessive use of gadgets. To mitigate the same, they took a pledge to check their use of gadgets. The assembly concluded with words of appreciation from parents, encouragement and wisdom words by school principal Sunila Athley. [GFI](#)

TED session

All About Studying Abroad

AIS Mayur Vihar

A virtual session on 'Pursuing education abroad - challenges and solutions' was held for Class IX-XII on May 21, 2021, by TED Club and Crossfire, the debating society of school. Aditi Sinha, alumna from AIS MV, currently pursuing BS (Managerial Economics Major and Technology Management Minor) at University of California, Davis, presided over as the resource person for the session. During the interaction, she shed light on the significant aspects like admission process in the universities abroad, skills young students should cultivate, how to build and write an impressive resume, how to draft application, etc. She also shared her experiences at school and University of California, challenges she faced and how she overcame those. She emphasised



Aditi Sinha, Alumna, AIS MV

upon the importance of hard work, gaining diverse skill sets and maintaining strong network. The presentation was followed by an interactive Q&A session, where she answered all the queries posed by the students. The session primed students for world that awaits them, as they fly to pursue new vistas in life. [GFI](#)



Chairperson addresses educators during the training

Designing ideas

A Virtual Training Session

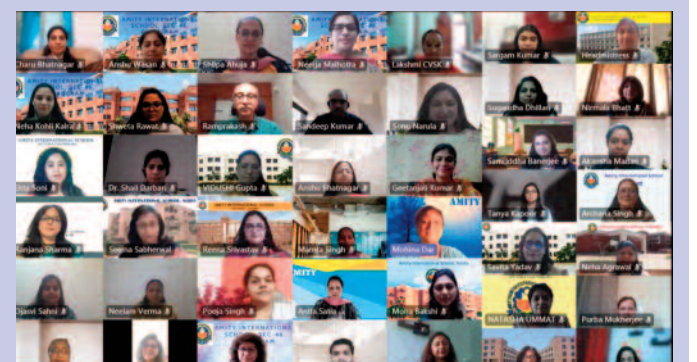
HR and Training

A virtual training programme on Design Thinking was conducted for middle school educators of Amity Group of Schools from June 1-7, 2021. The programme, organised under the leadership of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF, aimed at enriching the educators' understanding of Design Thinking and its application in classroom and education. Facilitated by Ramprakash K, director, Qatapult Learning Solutions, the sessions were attended by 40 middle school educators from different branches of Amity Group of Schools. During the seven-day session, educators were divided into eight groups comprising five members in each group, to understand various phases of Design Thinking Cycle. The sessions were a mix of group discussions and activities, where the educators learnt to identify the problems and apply design thinking process to reach most promising solu-

tions for the same. The programme concluded with presentations by all the eight groups on their chosen problems and their solutions based on design thinking. During the presentation, a couple of problem statements such as how to nurture both teachers and students as reflective practitioners and how to ensure mental well-being of teachers and students for happy learning were shared. The presentations were evaluated by an esteemed jury comprising school principals from all the branches of Amity Group of Schools. The concluding session was graced by Chairperson, who in her address urged the educators to adopt design thinking technique in an interactive and creative manner to solve the problems both in classrooms and life.

About Design Thinking

Design Thinking is a creative problem-solving technique that is based on prioritising one's need. It is a human centric concept, which involves all stakeholders at various steps of problem solving.



Educators learn the nuances of Design Thinking

Winning writer

AIS Noida

Avni Jain, AIS Noida, X A

Prisha Verma of Class IX won the Lenovo SmarterEd scholarship organised by Hindustan Times as per the results announced on June 25, 2021. She is one amongst the top 100 students all over India to have won the prestigious reward for her impressive essay on her thoughts about online classes. Along with scholarship, Prisha also won a Lenovo laptop as reward. The competition saw registration from a total of 61,270 students from 1375 schools all over India, out of which only 100 were selected for the reward after an online exam and an interview. The interview round, conducted by Sunita Aron, Senior Editor, Hindustan Times, comprised



Prisha Verma

thought provoking questions based on the essay written by Prisha, along with social topics such as dealing with orphaned children, how to provide online education to less privileged children, etc. Prisha marveled the jury with her answers. [GFI](#)