World School Forum 2013 Where We Stand As One

OPENING CEREMONY 2nd day

The 2013 World School Forum commenced on Tuesday October 22nd, the day after the delegates arrived, with the opening ceremony. World School opened officially with a speech from Mr. Daryoosh Matsudaira, director of WSF. He made a speech on World School and then introduced the delegations from each country. This was followed by a speech made by the mayor of Katsura, and Mr. Fujikura, principal of Kanto International Senior High School. Then, Ms. Tatiana Chursina expressed her feelings toward the World School Forum 2014, which will be held in her country Vladivostok, Russia.



After the opening ceremony, Mr. Matsudaira presented a World School message, followed by an introduction to the theme of this year's seminar, Housing and Culture: Community and Quality of Life. After lunch, delegates participated in the introduction games. They divided into three groups and enjoyed playing different kinds of games and getting to know each other more. In the evening, there were 6 country introductions.

Country Introduction 3rd day

On October 23rd, the day started off with some fun relay games. Delegates played the telephone game and made paper planes for the relay. The rest of the day was mostly focused on country introductions. The remaining 15 countries took turns presenting their introductions. Everyone had a great time learning about their fellow delegates' countries. In the evening, students listened to home stay guidance and packed for their visit to Tokyo.



Tokyo Visit 4th day

On October 24th, delegates woke up at 5 a.m. to leave for Tokyo. The first place they visited was the Japan Open-Air Folk House Museum in Kawasaki City. They were given a tour and learned about Japanese houses of the past. Then, they left for Asakusa, where they were able to spend some free time shopping for souvenirs and visiting Sensoji Temple. Although it was raining the whole day, participants enjoyed walking around Asakusa, buying magnets, key-chains, ningyoyaki (doll cake) and even Japanese swords (katana)!! The last stop for the day was Kanto International Senior High School, where delegates met their host families for the first time. Everyone was excited to meet their host families and it turned out to be a great way to finish the day!

School 5th day

On October 25th, delegates gathered together at Kanto International Senior High School in the morning. They all worked on their booths and had a good time setting up for the school festival. When it was finished, the booths all looked nice and ready for the school festival. After this, the delegates all participated in a pin badge exchange. Then, they went home with their host students to spend the rest of the day with their host families. Although some delegates had to wait for their host students at school, they used their time to watch first year students practice their performances.





GIRLS INTERVIEW



Amrutha Vasan

INDIA, Padma Seshadri Bala Bhavan Senior Secondary School

Q: Which event are you looking forward to the most and why?

A: I'm looking forward to the booth day and the school festival because I think that's when we'll be able to see the inner side of every delegate and their culture.

Q: What's something you're proud of about your country?

A: There's a lot, but I would have to say their talent. They're great at hand crafts, dances, and other art forms and that amazes me.

Katrina McGaughey

CANADA, Trafalgars School For Girls

Q: Which event are you looking forward to the most and why?

A: I'm looking forward to the home stay. I think it's the most interesting and different.

Q: What's something you're proud of about your country?

A: The diversity. The multi-cultural shows that we are really accepting.







BOYS INTERVIEW



Naledi Ramphele

SOUTH AFRICA, St Alban's College

Q: Which event are you looking forward to the most and why?

A: Visiting Tokyo!! I've always wanted to visit Japan and so visiting the capital of Japan is an experience I'm likely to never forget.

Q: What's your favorite food in your country?

A: My favorite food is Pap. This is maize meal mixed with water and cooked.

Seunghan Lee

SOUTH KOREA, Yang Chung High School

Q: Which event are you looking forward to the most and why?

A: The country performances. This is the most traditional event.

Q: What's your favorite food in your country?

A: My favorite is kimchi stew. It consists of kimchi, beef, and tofu!! And sometimes tuna.







Time For A Laugh

Sri Lanka

This dog is dog a dog very dog dumb dog way dog to dog keep dog an dog idiot dog busy dog for dog 20 dog seconds dog. -Now read without the "dog"

America

If April showers bring May flowers what do May flowers bring?

- Pilgrims

Canada

Why did the chicken cross

the park?

- To get to the other slide

Indonesia

How do you put an elephant

into a refrigerator?

-you open the door, put the elephant in, and close the door

Indonesia (extra)

Then how do you put a giraffe

into a refrigerator?

-you open the door, take the elephant out, put the giraffe in,

and close the door.

Italy

Mom: "David, where is your

math book?

David: "I gave it to the doctor: it had too many problems.

We are looking for pictures you have taken during world school so far! Please bring your camera to the office or give us the data of your photo. Thank you! Media team