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# August 2019 Report



Namaste!

I am now in my second month here at Sangam. This is always a dangerous time as you aren't the new girl anymore and people expect you to know things!

It has been a busy month; exciting Independence Day celebrations with the local Scouts and Guides, two busy leadership events with very energetic and enthusiastic participants and we finally received the deeds of Sangam from the bank! The next step is to apply for Charitable Status for Sangam in India.

The heavy monsoon rains and flooding earlier this month led to significant damage of our northern boundary wall near the river. We are currently fundraising for 5000 pounds for a replacement fence. Any donations would be very welcome.

Excitingly, we have just launched our new programme event Magic Masala, where groups are able to pick and choose activities to design their perfect event — Take a look at our website and social media for more details.

Have a great September!

Michelle  
World Centre Manager



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# Guest Services



Event/Programme Name	Number of People	Countries
Discover Your Potential III	45	United Kingdom; United States of America; Argentina
Discover Your Potential IV	49	Ireland
Independent Guests	12	Argentina; United Kingdom; Ireland
Day Visitors	1	United Kingdom
Venue Hire	140	India

# Community Interaction Log



Community Partner	Sangam Team	Guests	Tare	People from Community Partners
Anand Gram	2	10	0	120
Indian Sponsorship Committee	2	10	0	60
Deep Griha	2	17	0	50
Pragati English Medium School	2	11	0	110
Sanskriti School	1	9	0	374
Maher	1	12	0	40
Doorstep School	2	6	0	150
BKS	1	8	0	100
Total	-	-	-	1004

# Programme



August is always a busy month for the Programme Team and this year was no exception! We had two 'Discover Your Potential' events throughout the month with a total of 94 participants taking part in sessions allowing them to reflect on their leadership practices, develop team working skills and challenge themselves to step outside of their comfort zone. Between the two events we conducted projects at 8 different Community Partners of Sangam, we hiked to the top of Tikona fort, and undertook the Pune Leadership Challenge exploring the city in rickshaws!

Next Monsoon we are very excited to announce the arrival of a brand new 7 day Leadership event at Sangam 'For Her World'. You can find out more information on our website: <https://www.waggs.org/en/events/for-her-world-i-20/>, or email our Programme Coordinator at [adele.lynch@sangam.waggs.org](mailto:adele.lynch@sangam.waggs.org).

We look forward to seeing you soon!



# Community Relations



# Community Programme

At the beginning of August we said Good bye to Esthela, our Short Term Tare from Mexico. She brought a great energy to her programme and she loved going to different places in her free time.

As always it has been good to work with our Community Partners during our Discover Your Potential events. There was lots of learning exchange between the participants, children, and adults. The Community Partners involved in the event programmes; Anand Gram, Sanskruti School, Bal Kalyan Sanstha, Maher, Indian Sponsorship Committee, all enjoyed the interactions.

It has been a tradition at Sangam to celebrate Independence day (15th August) with Sangam Family and the local ladies group from the neighbourhood. This year it was so good to have a big group from Ireland which made the Independence Day Ceremony special.

August is the month of festival in India. So we celebrated Bakri Id, Brothers sisters day, Independence day, Parsi New Year, Sri Krishna's Birthday, and Gopal-kal.



# Operations



August has been very busy with a lot of participants in the house which has kept the ladies busy cooking lovely meals and the boys busy doing a lot of grass cutting and regular maintenance work around Sangam.

During this Monsoon we had significant damage in the wall around the campsite from the river which runs behind Sangam. The river has been flowing at a faster rate than normal and the soil underneath the rock was washed away. There is a real possibility that the current wall could collapse at any moment. As it has several large cracks we need to get the fence fixed as soon as possible as it is a risk to security and the property.

If you are interested in making a donation to help Sangam, you can consider making a specific donation towards helping us to complete our Fence Project.

You can find our donation link here: <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/2487#/DonationDetails>

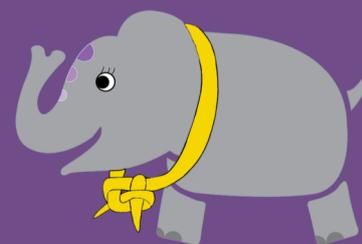
Restrict the donation to 'Fence Project' and then email [Michelle.Hughes@sangam.wagggs.org](mailto:Michelle.Hughes@sangam.wagggs.org) when you receive your receipt.



At the end of August we said 'Phir Milenge' to two of our Monsoon Volunteers; Grace (Uganda) and Ornella (Burundi). They have both grown so much over the past 3 months and we wish them well for the future! We hope that they can use their experience at Sangam to make a difference in their own countries. And of course, to spread the word about Sangam!

We also (quietly) celebrated the one year anniversary of the arrival of our Guest Services Co-ordinator Louise from Australia. And the three year anniversary of our Deputy WCM: Guest Services Carine from Rwanda (who is still currently stuck in Rwanda awaiting an India visa)!

# People



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## Promotion



\*\*\* Brand New Programme at Sangam\*\*\*

We are excited to be launching our Magic Masala event programme! This is an exciting new event that will allow you to blend together various Spices (Sangam Sessions) to create your perfect Magic Masala Programme that meets the needs of you, your group and your Indian experience! Check out this [video](#) with the Sangam Family launching it. Be the first to book your group in! Find more information [here](#) or email us at [GuestServices@sangam.waggs.org](mailto:GuestServices@sangam.waggs.org).

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