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MCJ served the School for 35 years




PBR served the School for 30 years



MLJ served the School for 15 years

*To
The
Masters
who made
everything
possible...*

Thank you.



Regulars

IAYP

The following students have completed various levels of the **International Award for Young People:**

Bronze
Archit Bhargava

Gold
Azan Brar

Well done!

A Master Stroke

The result of the **Individual Table Tennis Competition, 2015**, is as follows:

Juniors:
1st: Harshvardhan Agarwal
2nd: Sanyam Gupta

Mediums:
1st: Ishan Jhawar
2nd: Arunav Vaish

Seniors:
1st: Chaitanya Agarwal
2nd: Kanav Agarwal

Congratulations!

Chess

The result of the **Individual Chess Championship, 2015**, is as follows:

Juniors:
1st:Raghav Bagri
2nd:Anuman Goel

Seniors:
1st:Parth Khanna
2nd:Akshat Jha

Well Done!

UNQUOTABLE QUOTES

Well running.
Vihaan Bhatnagar, trying to be fit.
What did you doing?
Naman Agarwal, nothing yet.
Your results were non expected.
Shiven Dewan, your grammar too.
I am being good at physics.
Naman Lodha, but not at English
What happened tomorrow?
Viksit Verma, very tense
When did you born?
Shreyansh Goyal, probably now.
I am trying to waiting.
Shreyas Agarwal, you sure are.

A pessimist sees a difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees an opportunity in every difficulty.
Winston Churchill


Hockey

The following were the results of the Inter-House Hockey Competition, 2015:

Juniors:	House Cup:
1st: Kashmir	1st: Jaipur
2nd: Tata	2nd: Tata
3rd: Jaipur	3rd: Hyderabad
4rd: Hyderabad	4th: Kashmir
5th: Oberoi	5th: Oberoi

Seniors:
1st: Jaipur
2nd: Tata
3rd: Hyderabad
4th: Kashmir
5th: Oberoi

Well done!



WEEKLY SELECTS

What Makes the "Lion Whisperer" Roar?
Smithsonian
Inexplicable Crime
New Yorker
The Untold Story of ILM
Wired
A Father's Initiative
The Washington Post
They Built It. No One Came.
New York Times
The Insults of Age
The Monthly
In the Beginning
Ross Andersen Aeon May 2015

Errata

The following is the **Errata** for **Issue No. 2407**:
Ansh Agarwal was incorrectly mentioned as the participant for the **Dehradun District Boxing Championship** held at the Parade Ground Boxing Ring, Dehradun from **8th to 10th May, 2015**. **Shubham Dhiman** went instead of him.
The *Weekly* regrets the error.

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 WORDS

Islamic State militants broke into the UNESCO world heritage site of Palymra in Syria. Salman Khan is expected to appear at the Dubai Awards show but is still awaiting the court's permission to travel. US Intelligence have released their files on Osama Bin Laden. Meanwhile, India managed to land a fighter jet on a highway. The WHO is planning to set up a 100 million dollar fund for Ebola. Meanwhile, the Hadron Collider has set a new collision energy record.

A Clean Slate

Chaitanya Kediya *reports on the Slater Memorial debates that were held at Bishop Cotton School, Shimla.*

A team of four debaters was escorted by Mr. John Xavier to the 20th Dr. Rev. Samuel Slater Memorial Invitational Inter-School English Debates, 2015, held at the Bishop Cotton School, Shimla. These debates are reputed for their high standard of debating and we knew we had to be at the top of our game if we wanted to advance to the final stages of the competition.

Sixteen schools were participating in the debates, and we were divided into four pools of four each. Our pool consisted of the La Martiniere Girls College, Lucknow, La Martiniere Girls, Kolkata, and the Mayo College, Ajmer. The first motion we debated on in the competition was “Companies should be restricted in their ability to replace workers with technology” and we were against it. The debate boiled down to an interventionist vs. free market policy debate, and we spoke about how it is necessary to give companies a sense of autonomy. Our second debate was on the motion -“European Union Nations should forgive Greece its sovereign debt”. Arguing for the motion, we showed how there was historical precedent to this, and how the EU would be better off if it didn't struggle under Greece's financial debt. We also spoke about how Greece would have a far better chance of recovering as an economy and a nation if its burden of

indebtedness was removed. In our last group stage debate the motion was “International Developmental Institutions should not finance projects in corrupt states”, and we were against the motion. Our main arguments revolved around how the most corrupt states are usually the poorest too, and thus they require financial aid from these developmental institutions.

Having won all the debates in the group stage we qualified for the quarterfinals where we were pitted against La Martiniere Boys College, Lucknow. Our motion in the Quarter Final round was - “Talented students should be taught separately from their peers” and we were against the motion. We showed how a cohesive learning environment, one without any divide over perceived notions of talent and ability was an absolute necessity to provide the right environment for education. Much to our delight, we emerged victorious in this round and progressed to the Semi Final round where we were to debate with the Sri Ram School, New Delhi. Like us, Sri Ram had not lost a single debate till then, and when we were told that we had to defend India's right to ban 'India's daughter', we were initially daunted by the task. However, as they say, in debating there can

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never be a 'wrong' side, and so we took it upon ourselves to build a case for this topic. Over the course of our research we found out how the documentary was in fact banned for two distinct reasons; it revealed the identity of the rape victim 'Nirbhaya', and at the same time it affected the judicial process, and did not respect it. On these grounds we built our arguments, and were ecstatic when the motion was carried.

It came down to this- the Finals, and to top it all we were against the host school, Bishop Cotton. We could feel the pressure, and everywhere on their campus stares and people pointing towards us became ubiquitous. The motion for the finals was 'Gay right movements should not support the institution of marriage'. An extremely pertinent motion all around the world, and we were indeed privileged to be against the motion. We built our debate on how it is necessary to be tolerant of homosexuals.

That is why the ability to be able to openly support gay marriage would only be a culmination of this tolerance. The debate was electrifying, with both sides of the house coming up with some very interesting arguments. Once all the speeches had been made, and only the tabulation of results was left, we sat hoping for the best. Our hearts were pounding when the chief guest walked onto the stage and began reading out the results. When we heard those five magic words, the motion has been lost; there was no end to our happiness. After eight years, our School was finally able to win the prestigious Slater Debates. This trip was remarkable, and the entire team learned a lot from it. However, let us hope that it will not take another eight years to get this trophy back home



The Term Gone By

Aryan Chhabra

It has been observed that the most common adjective used to describe a Dosco is 'busy'. The predominant reason for this is the fact that in Chandbagh, there is a profusion of activities one can be a part of, and Doscos (ambitious as they are) grab anything and everything that comes their way. This term, like any term, witnessed a lot of activities, ranging from Cricket to Drama.

On the very first day Doscos faced the daunting task of electing an able School Captain, which they did in the form of Sahir Chaudhary. As the days progressed, the School welcomed new C-formers, and preparations for Inter-House Cricket began with full fervor. Each House made sure that it gave its best to get the trophy home. Ultimately it was Oberoi House that bagged the Junior Cup while Hyderabad House won the Senior Cup. Following this was Test Week and (not to forget) Boards, which resulted in sleepless nights with boys making sure that the course was completed and (for some) revised. Soon came the Prize Giving Ceremony and one could not help but feel a bit nostalgic when the graduating SCEs walked across the Rosebowl, to return only as Old Boys now. On a lighter note, the ATs finally heaved a sigh of relief at the end of their much dreaded Boards and packed their bags to return home. As for the rest of the School, there was no respite in the foreseeable future. While the rest of the School



was away on Midterms, we welcomed the timid and chubby D formers who, I am sure, like generations of Doscos before them, will settle into the Doon School way of life sooner rather than later. Concurrently, from the 'MUNning' side a delegation was sent for the Harvard MUN China in March as well as for MCGSMUN in April. While HMUN China may not have been as successful, our School did win the 'Best Delegation' at MCGSMUN along with several Best and Outstanding delegate awards. Next came the 'Inter-House Senior English Debating Competition'. Due to lack of time, this year the debates were held in the Oxford format. However, Doscos made the most of the opportunity provided to them and succeeded in impressing audience with their wonderful elocution and matter. It was a debate to witness indeed! Ultimately, Tata House won the battle of words and wit with Chaitanya Kediya winning the Best Speaker award. As April came to a close, we witnessed the much-awaited Inter-House PT Competition. Each House put up a great show and in the end it was Tata House that battled its way to the top, winning the PT Gong for the second

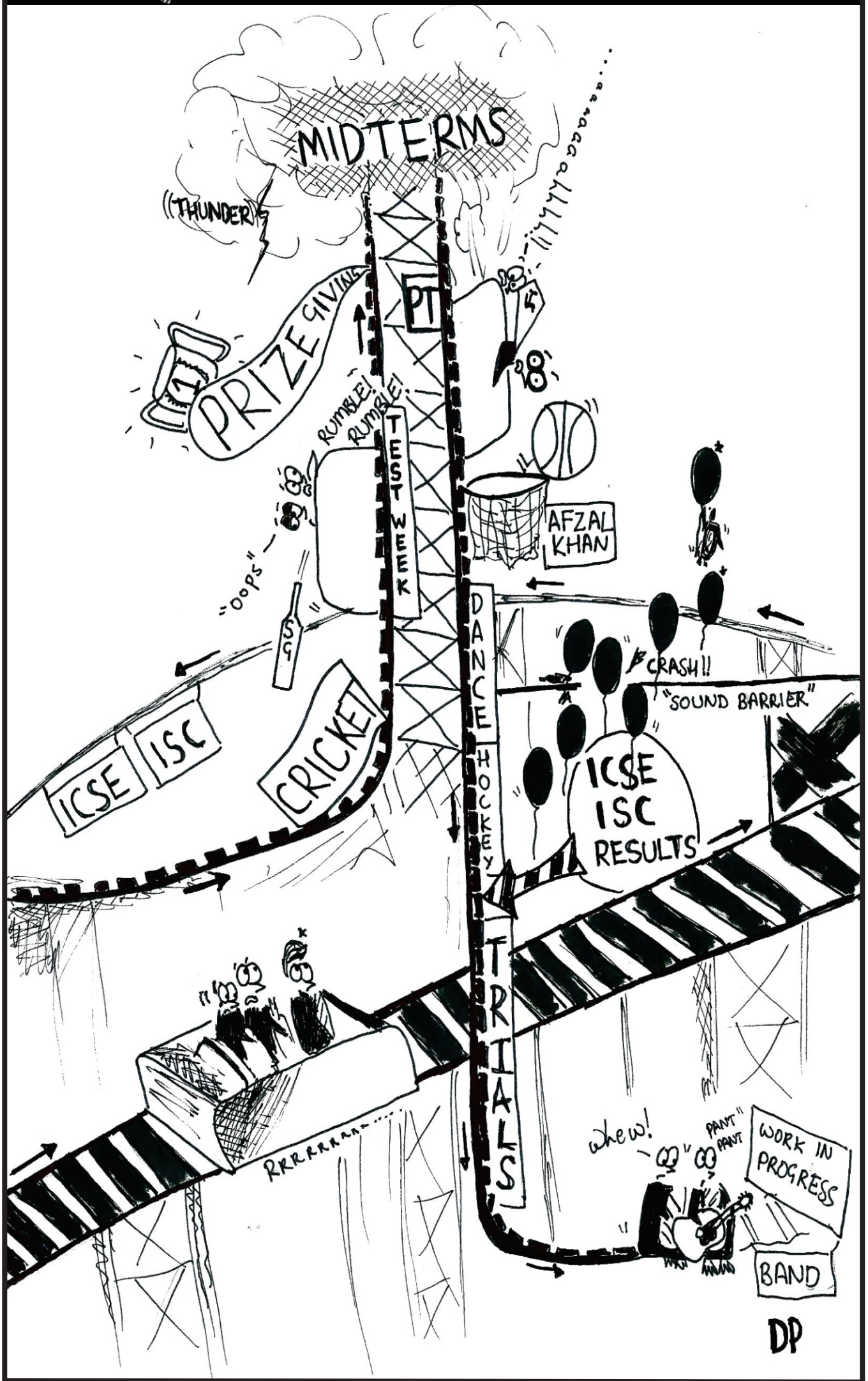
consecutive year. The Senior and Junior cups went to Oberoi House and Hyderabad House respectively. With PT coming to an end, every House diverted its attention to drama. Late night practices were held and huge amounts of effort was put in by the directors who were not only dealing with the nitty-gritties of putting together a show but also a script that had to be either self-scripted or adapted. And when D-day came, the audience applauded the creative efforts of each house. Eventually, Arnav Kumar and Divij Mullick led Tata House to victory, and in the process won the Best Director and the Best Actor awards respectively.

Hardly had the Inter-House One Act play competition gotten over when the School could be

seen cheering the School Basketball team in the 25th edition of the Afzal Khan Basketball tournament. The matches were thrilling to say the least and one could see the improvement that the school team had made to its game in leaps and bounds, literally and metaphorically. Next in line was the Inter-House Dance Competition. Not only did the Houses manage to put up thematic dances but also win the hearts of the audience through their spectacular display of various dance genres. The creative choreography of different dance styles led to a closely contested competition. Despite the high level of competition, Oberoi House managed to make its way to the top, winning the cup and our applause.

Meanwhile, the School Hockey team was hitting the turf everyday and going through rigorous drills; efforts that proved to be highly beneficial as we emerged victorious in the Council's Hockey Tournament. This also resulted in a well-contested Inter-House Hockey Tournament and a spectacular rise in the quality of hockey in School. The end of the tournament marked the beginning of Trials. And after this last crisis has been safely negotiated, the term will come to an end.





The Holiday Checklist

The best things to read, play, watch and listen to this summer.

Movies

Entourage	June 3
Insidious: Chapter 3	June 5
Spy	June 5
Jurassic World	June 12
Dope	June 19
Inside Out	June 19
Ted 2	June 26
Terminator: Genisys	July 1
Ant-Man	July 17
Paper Towns	July 24
Pixels	July 24
Vacation	July 29
The Gift	July 31
Mission Impossible- Rogue Nation	July 31



Music

Artist	Album
Florence+The Machine	How Big, How Blue, How Beautiful
Jason Derulo	Everything is 4
Of Monsters and Men	Beneath The Skin
Mika	No Place in Heaven
Carly Rae Jepsen	E·MO·TION
Tori Kelly	Unbreakable Smile
The Chemical Brother	Born in the Echoes
Breaking Benjamin	Dark before Dawn

Video Games

The Elder Scrolls Online: Tamriel Unlimited
 Batman: Arkham Knight
 The Witcher III: Wild Hunt
 Final Fantasy XIV: Heavensward
 Dark Souls: Scholar of the First Sin
 Mortal Combat X

Books

Author	Book
Harper Lee	Go Set A Watchman
Stephen King	Finders Keepers
John Grisham	Theodore Boone : The Fugitive
H.W. Brands	Reagan : The Life
Ashlee Vance	Elon Musk: Tesla, SpaceX, and the Quest for a Fantastic Future
Grant Blackwood	Tom Clancy Under Fire
Clive Cussler and Boyd Morrison	Piranha (The Oregon Files)
Elin Hillenbrand	The Rumor: A Novel
Tom Clancy	Under Fire
Mark R. Levin	Plunder and Deceit
Daniel Silva	The English Spy
Kate Mulgrew	Born With Teeth
Viet Thanh Nguyen	The Sympathizer

Sports

Event	Date
South-East Asian Games	Jun 5-16
UEFA Champions League Final	Jun 6
Women's World Cup	Jun 6-Jul 5
European Games	Jun 12-28
US Open	Jun 18-21
Stanley Cup finals	Jun
NBA Finals	Jun
Wimbledon	Jun 29-Jul 12
Summer Universiade	Jul 3-14
Tour de France	Jul 4-26
Pan American Games	Jul 10-26
British Open	Jul 16-19
World Swimming Champs	Jul 24-Aug 9
Special Olympics World Summer Games	Jul 25-Aug 2
Pacific Games	July 4-18
Copa América Football Tournament	June 11-July 4



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