To The Masters who made everything possible...

MCJ served the School for 35 years

PBR served the School for 30 years

MLJ served the School for 15 years

Thank you.
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 Bhattnagar, trying to be fit.

What did you do?
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?
Vikas Verma, very tense.
When did you born?
Shreyansh Goyal, probably now.
I am trying to wait.
Shreyas Agarwal, you sure are.

**Hockey**

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

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

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

Well done!

**WEll 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 Palmyra 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.

2. The Doon School Weekly Saturday, May 23
A Clean Slate

Chaitanya Kediyal 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 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.

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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 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 Kediyal 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.

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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.
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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

**Books**

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**Music**

**Artist**
- 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 Jepson
  - 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

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