

The Doon School WEEKLY

"I sketch your world exactly as it goes." -Arthur Foot
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All Boys?

Saatvik Anand *comments on the pros and cons of single-sex education.*

In today's day and age, when gender equality is a very important discussion, the concept of single-sex schooling is frequently questioned. As students of an institution that has been single-sex since its establishment, we have always wondered how our school would do as a mixed-gender or co-ed school, and whether it would be better or worse. The question of whether mixed-gender schools are better than single-sex schools has been highly debated by researchers and educationists all over the world for many years.

Single-sex education comes along with both pros and cons, each overpowering the other in different situations. Single-sex education is believed to adversely affect communication skills. When children are raised in the presence of only one gender, their interaction with the opposite sex is skewed as they are unaccustomed to communicating with them. Communication with the opposite sex plays a big role in our lives, as we are all bound to work in environments in which both genders work side by side, whether it is simply an MUN or a future job.

Boys or girls who may be bisexual or homosexual are also known to struggle in single-sex schooling as they fear judgement. In many societies, especially among teenagers, the concept of being

homosexual is frowned upon. The concept of single-sex education affects not only the students, but also the masters that teach in the institution. Teachers might also have a hard time adapting with the teaching methods as some teachers use different approaches of teaching for specific genders. A teacher may use a louder and harsher method of teaching for boys, that may not work for the one sensitive and shy boy, leading to a negative impact on the child's education.

However, there are also some

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benefits of single-sex education. While the use of different teaching methods could have an unsatisfactory result on a few children, studies show that it helps children's academic performances in most cases. Studying with children of the same gender may be more comforting and relaxing

for the students. As adolescents, they wouldn't have the stress and social pressure of impressing the opposite sex. Therefore, the number of distractions also decreases by a significant margin. Without the inconvenience of social pressure, both girls and boys are more encouraged to pursue and take on activities that may seem embarrassing in the presence of the opposite gender, such as sports, dance or music. It is proven that a high percentage of boys like sports most, whereas a higher percentage of girls like focusing on arts and academics more than other activities. This allows single-sex schools to concentrate more on the activities that are taken up by either the boys or girls, while also letting children to focus on co-curriculars as our institution does at this time.

In conclusion, I feel that schools should be co-educational, as the entire point of education is to prepare one for the future. If we fail to teach children how interactions outside schools work, then we are depriving them of the most important learning of their education. Monthly socials and yearly MUNs are not enough to provide this exposure, as the attitudes in such transient settings is very different from the attitude one has when one is supposed to work alongside someone in the

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UNQUOTABLE QUOTES

Don't test my patient.

Paras Gupta, overly concerned.

I don't knem.

Akshat Goyal, well-informed.

That don't look good at you.

Omar Ahmed, fashionably smart.

You can't say me!

Siddhant Agarwal, scary.

When time will you be there.

Ipsit Kalra, grammar punctuality is key.

You are correcter.

Raghav Periwal, absolutely correct.

THE WHO?

Who is Neta-Lee Hershlag?

MKS: An actress

Asjad Asjad: A singer

Raghuraaaj Sodhi: A politician

Aryan Prakash: An author

Anshul Khakkar: An actress

Neta-Lee Hershlag, better known as **Natalie Portman**, is a prominent actress who has been acted in various blockbusters such as **Thor**, **Jackie** and **Star Wars**, and has also won an **Academy Award for Best Actress** for her performance in the movie **Black Swan**.

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We understand how dangerous a mask can be.
We all become what we pretend to be.

—
Patrick Rothfuss

This Week in History

1922 CE: The US Supreme Court defended female suffrage rights.

1954 CE: Hattie McDaniel became the first African American actress to win Oscar.

1953 CE: The Chemical Structure of DNA is discovered by James Watson and Francis Crick.

1954 CE: First group of children receive Polio vaccine

1988 CE: The US Supreme Court defended the right to satirize public figures.

1991 CE: United States begins the first ground invasion of Iran and Kuwait.

1993 CE: The World Trade Centre was bombed by several radical Islamic fundamentalists.

WELCOME ABOARD!

Sudhir Chowdhry has been appointed the **Hindi Editor** of the *Weekly* for the year **2020-21**.

We wish him a fruitful tenure!

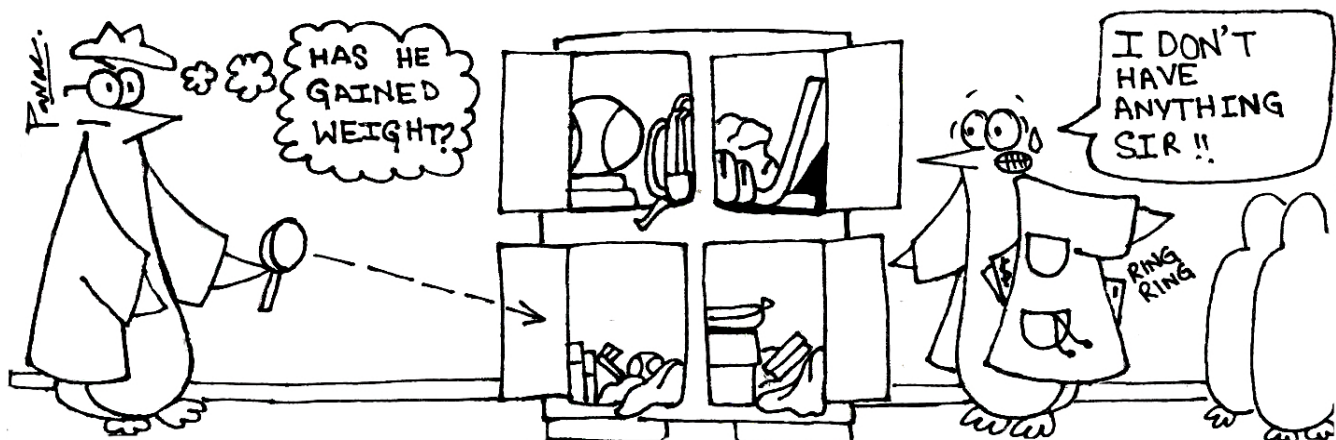
Around the World in 80 Words

Thirteen people were killed in Delhi in the deadliest violent protests the Indian capital has seen in decades, in which mobs vandalised and fired at a mosque and raised the Indian flag. India and the US signed defence and telecoms deals but failed to reach a much talked-about trade accord. Saudi Arabia stops pilgrims from entering the country due to coronavirus doubts. Gabriel Jesus and Kevin de Bruyne scored for Manchester City to secure a 2-1 win against Real Madrid.

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Hide & Seek

Paras Agrawal



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long-term. Therefore, I feel that single-sex education has become anachronistic, and for true learning and

preparation, schools should shift towards offering a co-educational structure, rather than a single-sex one.

Which school system provides a more holistic education experience: co-ed or same sex?

A coeducational setting is integral to developing socially and emotionally intelligent young adults. It helps in building a more gender sensitive community with well balanced individuals!

-SKT

Same-sex schools have their own sense of brotherhood, but by offering better humanitarian values, including communication and socialising skills, co-eds provide a more holistic education.

-Rohan Taneja

I think a single-sex system provides a more holistic education experience because you feel a lot more comfortable and confident when you are with people of the same gender. And when you feel confident, then you seem to engage more in different activities that you want to do. Thus a better learning environment is prepared.

- Himanshi Sharma

Are You Your Playlist?

Sai Arjun *comments on the impact of the songs you listen to on your identity.*

Sitting in the library one day, I was listening to my Spotify playlist. Beside me was my best friend, who shared his critical thoughts about my playlist. His extreme disapproval surprised me, and I asked him how he judged whether a song was good or not. His reply was that, according to him, if a song was old and not rap, then it wasn't good enough. Therefore, I immediately changed my song to GODZILLA by Eminem, which made him think that I was competent enough to talk to him.

Leaving the library, to my dismay, I realised how quick my friend had been in judging me on the basis of whether I listened to Travis Scott or Pink Floyd. Every time some senior or form-mate came closer to my computer, I changed my song to a 2020 or 2019 rap. It was just appalling to know how much I cared about what others thought about me. I didn't understand why and how the songs one listened to could change one's image. Amidst all of this mental chaos, I lost what actually meant most: music itself. I couldn't secretly jump to Happy by Pharrell Williams, but had to get depressed by listening to Wake Up by Travis Scott.

It is a moral crime to judge someone simply based upon what sound appeases their ears, or the singers who amuse them. The definition of music is 'vocal or instrumental sounds combined in such a way as to produce beauty of form, harmony, and expression of

emotion'. Since everyone's emotions work differently, we must learn to respect them. We are no one to judge someone on what music they listen to.

What a beautiful thing it is, but what a shame that we can't control our mood, but others can, by forcing their song choices on us. We can be happy at all times, it's a power that we waste away at the expense of our reputation amongst the people we live with.

There is a thin line between judging someone's personality based on their choice of songs, or defining him/her. Don't look at someone differently because they listen to Cliff Richards but appreciate his/her unique choice. At the end of the day, you just regret, not enjoying that brief moment you had alone with your songs. When you could have enjoyed that moment, it got wasted for the sake of showing someone something, even though he only cared momentarily. For making sure that your friends think you listen to rap or only new songs, you waste your leisure for impressing someone who forgets it, only five minutes later.

All I mean to say is, that if you like classics, pop, rock, rap, anything, just honour your choice. Stop judging! The only people affected by the songs they listen to are themselves, not anyone else. The greatest prison that people live in, is the fear of others judging them. Listen to the songs you want to, not what others want you to.

The Week Gone By

Armaan Rathi

After a walk across the campus, one can sense some sort of a change in the air. The usual, carefree veil of tranquillity that usually befalls Chandbagh seems to have vanished, as hordes of DoscOs prepare for their Promotional Trials, while the AT Form appears for their burdensome board exams. The SCs too, tread on a path laden with exams, deadlines and submissions; particularly the IB cohort, who seem to be buried under piles of submissions. I wish

all DoscOs luck in their academic pursuits. However, parts of the Main Field and the newly hijacked inaugurated futsal courts hear the clatter of sticks and balls caused by the hockey pre-season. An activity unbothered by the much-dreaded Trials, and almost adamant in its attempt to be conducted with the same fervour all year round.

A second highlight of the week was the Wai-Wai meal donated by the tightly-knit Old Boy community. The perfect way to shred the monotony of normal meals. Heads also turned to see bright house umbrellas which were handed out on Tuesday (whoever said that the School Council doesn't bring about any real change certainly must be mistaken).

Early this week, much to the Dosco's chagrin, the house checks (sparked by a 'burning' issue in a certain house) brought about a Pandora's box worth of YCs. This truly stunned the blue-eyed Dosco who was expecting a customary round of toy but instead saw neat files of boys standing outside the house. Another truly surprising event struck Chandbagh - while most expected the 'war against the cold is coming to its eventual end', but alas! The skies relentlessly poured and at times even hailed, bringing the second spell of cold. As another week comes to a close, I entreat the School community to make a sincere effort and study!

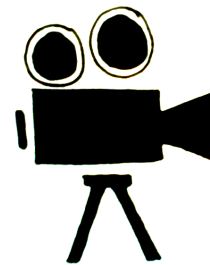
Guess Who?

A segment where we compare our masters here at School to famous movies and movie characters, for you to "Guess Who?"

1. Deadly while handling people, just like Marvel's Punisher.
2. Fierce in expressing his love for communism, this master is also known as Comrade, like Napoleon from *Animal Farm*.
3. *English Vinglish*
4. *Bala*
5. *Trolls*
6. *You Don't Mess With the Zohan*
7. *Wreck It Ralph*
8. *Dumbledore*
9. *Flash from Zootopia*
10. Just like Stewie Griffin, this master is a combination of innocent looks and savage burns.
11. A coffee addicted version of Thomas Crown.
12. *Baymax from Big Hero 6*
13. *Ant Man*
14. *Diary of A Wimpy Kid*
15. *007*



- A. ABE
- B. GYA
- C. HCY
- D. IDS
- E. MIA
- F. MKS
- G. MMR
- H. NTC
- I. PMV
- J. RMB
- K. SDA
- L. SNA
- M. SPB
- N. SRT
- O. SSW



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3. F	8. D	13. G
2. M	7. H	12. N
1. K	6. J	11. L
Answers		

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