



# *Reflections*

NEWSLETTER | 2025-26



Mr. C. P. Dang | Chairman  
The Doon Girls' School | Dehradun

## Honouring Tradition, Embracing The Future

Dear Students, Faculty, and Parents,

As we celebrate another remarkable academic year at The Doon Girls' School, it gives me immense pride and satisfaction to reflect upon the journey we have shared during 2025–26.

This has been a year of growth, transition, achievement, and renewed vision. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to all our students, teachers, and staff for their dedication, resilience, and commitment to excellence. Every achievement — academic, cultural, athletic, artistic, or personal — has added to the vibrant spirit that defines DGS today.

A special word of appreciation goes to our passing-out batch, who have made us proud with their performance in the board examinations. As you step forward into new chapters of your lives, carry

with you the values, friendships, and lessons that have shaped your years at DGS. Your hard work and discipline have brought laurels to the school and set an inspiring example for your juniors.

This year has also marked important milestones in the evolution of DGS as a future-ready institution. Our growing international collaboration with Martinlaakso High School, Finland, through a student exchange program reflects our commitment to global learning and cultural exchange. We look forward to welcoming students from Finland to our campus this October, opening new avenues for friendship, dialogue, and shared learning.

In the same spirit of innovation, The Doon Girls' School has signed an MoU with the Chanakya School of Craft to establish the Creative Futures

Lab at DGS. This initiative, along with our new Makers Lab, represents an important step towards integrating art, craft, design, and innovation into the everyday learning experience of our students. The Makers Lab, conceived as an integrated art, craft, and design space, will be ready when students return after the summer vacation and will encourage experimentation, hands-on learning, and creative thinking across disciplines.

The school continues to strengthen its infrastructure and student facilities. This year, we have initiated the development of a new shooting range on campus, while also expanding the use of smart boards across classrooms to further enhance technology-enabled learning. We are also in the process of establishing a dedicated Career Counselling Desk for our senior students, helping guide them towards informed academic and professional pathways in an increasingly dynamic world.

I am especially happy to see how well our students have settled into the South Campus and the new hostel facilities. Seeing the campus come alive with energy and activity has been deeply rewarding for all of us who have worked towards this vision.

At the same time, work on the North Campus has

now officially begun. Following the Bhoomi Pujan ceremony held on April 23, 2026, we have commenced Phase 2 of the DGS Vision 2025 project. We remain optimistic that this phase will be nearing completion by the beginning of the academic session 2027–28, bringing with it a new era of academic, creative, and collaborative spaces for our students.

From its beginnings as a preparatory school to its continued journey towards becoming a full K–12 institution rooted in innovation and holistic learning, The Doon Girls' School continues to evolve while staying true to its values and traditions.

I thank our parents for their continued trust and partnership, our faculty and staff for their unwavering dedication, and our students for inspiring us every single day. I wish you all a restful and joyful summer break, and I look forward to welcoming you back for another exciting year ahead.

Warm regards,

C.P. Dang

Chairman

The Doon Girls' School



# FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK



Ms. Monisha Datta | Director  
The Doon Girls' School

There is a special kind of joy in watching something grow from its very beginning. When I first became a part of The Doon Girls' School, it was just a building getting renovated to become a preparatory school with big hopes. There was no grandeur—just a clear intent to create a space where children would feel safe, valued, and encouraged to learn. Over the years, seeing it grow into a full K–12 school has been deeply fulfilling.

What has remained constant, however, is not just the school's physical growth, but the journey of its children. I have seen young girls walk in with hesitation and, over time, find their voice, their confidence, and their sense of self. Today, many of our alumni are doing well across fields and across the world. Yet, what stands out most is not just what they have achieved, but who they have become. The values they picked up early on—kindness, respect, resilience—have stayed with them. And that, to me, is the real success of a school.

Schools are not just about academics; they are about shaping people. Over these 26 years, what has quietly strengthened is the sense of community. Parents, teachers, and students have all contributed to building this environment. A school cannot grow in isolation—it grows when families trust it, support it, and walk alongside it.

*Message to our Parent community ...*

## 26 Years of Growing Together

For that, I feel deeply grateful to every parent who has been part of this journey.

As we celebrate this milestone, I would like to share three simple reflections. First, allow children to enjoy the process of learning. It is easy to focus on marks, but real learning happens when children are curious, when they ask questions, and when they are not afraid to make mistakes. Sometimes, the more meaningful question is not “How much did you score?” but “What did you learn today?”

Second, give as much importance to emotional strength as to academics. Children today navigate many pressures, and they need spaces where they feel heard without judgement. When they learn to understand and express their emotions, they grow into more balanced individuals.

And third, keep coming back to values. In a fast-changing world, values provide direction. Kindness, honesty, and respect may sound simple, but they shape how children think, act, and build relationships—and they learn these best from what they see around them.

Looking back, I feel proud of how far the school has come. Looking ahead, I feel hopeful, because the same spirit continues.

Thank you for your trust, your support, and your belief. Here's to continuing to grow together.

# *Welcoming The New Principal*



*It is with great pleasure that we welcome Mrs Shuchi Sinha as the Principal of The Doon Girls' School! Mrs Sinha brings with her an abundance of wisdom, knowledge, and ideas, gathered from her experience as an educator which spans over four decades.*

*Mrs Sinha has served as the Head of the English Department at Mayo College Girls' School, Education Consultant for the Education for All Project under UNESCO (Jamaica) and has been head of various schools under different education boards.*

*Her focus and strength align in the healthy growth of children through learning. Her passion lies in mentoring students and she has an adaptable approach towards the same.*

*She is no stranger to the ethos of different kinds of schools; residential, day and public schools. Mrs. Sinha believes that learning never ends, and she keeps updating herself through courses like the Leadership Course from Harvard University.*

*We are delighted to have Mrs. Sinha joining the DGS family and we wish her a long and fruitful tenure with us!*

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Mrs. Shuchi Sinha | Principal  
The Doon Girls' School

## The Essence of Empowerment, Growth and Transformation

The School Newsletter, Reflections is an expression of the innovative energies that drives our school. Each page has an interesting story, of the diligence and perseverance of our students in their pursuit of excellence. With unflagging determination and a single-mindedness of purpose, they follow their hearts to achieve their goals. This magazine celebrates their spirit.

We at The Doon Girls', open all avenues to our children to challenge themselves in various fields - whether it be academics, sports or cultural activities. It is an extremely overwhelming experience for us to see the qualitatively rich output they produce in any given field.

Dear Parents, when we honour children's voices, protect their right to learn, and let them rise after every fall, schools become homes of

transformation, not just centres of instruction.

The strength of any institution is its people, and it is with firm conviction, that I do say that we are indeed blessed in the children, parents and staff that comprise our family, each one a sounding-board and a source of encouragement for the other.

This magazine will take you down an interesting literary path dotted with artistic outpourings of the children in writing and art, interesting reports which capture the impassioned spirits which drives every girl in a boarding school, the wide plethora of activities that children today are privileged and fortunate to participate in, and their achievements in a variety of disciplines.

With each edition of our magazine may we raise the bar, and may the creative muse in us become richer with time.



# Student Achievements

## ICSE - Grade X Result (Batch 2025-26)

April 30, 2026

Congratulations to our Grade 10 students on their excellent performance in the ICSE Board Exams. This achievement reflects not only their hard work but also the unwavering support from their parents and the dedication of our teachers. We are immensely proud of our students for setting such high standards and accomplishing remarkable success.

Parents, your encouragement and guidance have been instrumental in this journey, and we thank you for your continuous support. We also extend our heartfelt gratitude to our teachers for their commitment to nurturing and inspiring our students. Together, we celebrate this collective success and look forward to future achievements. Well done!



Shreya-92%



Aadya-86.2%



Gaurangi-86.2%



Stuti-85.8%



Kamal-84.8%



Elizabeth-83.4%



Tamreen-81.2%



# Best in Class



Arianna Puthran  
Grade - I



Jaynandini Singh  
Grade - IV



Misheeta Mittal  
Grade - V



Gayatri Aswani  
Grade - VI



Miraya Agarwal  
Grade - VII



Lavanya V Patel  
Grade - VII

# Best in Subject



Arianna Puthran  
Grade - I  
Subject : English, EVS



Vaibhavi  
Grade - I  
Subject : Hindi,  
Mathematics



Jaynandini Singh  
Grade - IV  
Subject : English, Hindi,  
Mathematics, Science



Anoki C Bhuyan  
Grade - IV  
Subject : S.St.



Misheeta Mittal  
Grade - VI  
Subject : English, Hindi,  
Mathematics, Science, S.St.



Gayatri Aswani  
Grade - VI  
Subject : Hindi,  
Mathematics



Miraya Agarwal  
Grade - VII  
Subject : English, Hindi,  
Mathematics, Science, S.St.



Lavanya V. Patel  
Grade - VIII  
Subject : Mathematics,  
Science, S.St.



Mishika Agarwal  
Grade - VIII | Subject : Hindi



Kavyanjali Chauhan  
Grade - VII | Subject : English

# Investiture Ceremony School Birthday

The Doon Girls' School celebrated its 26th birthday on the April 17, 2026. An exciting buzz settled over the school as the morning began with a special assembly. After all, it was also the Investiture Ceremony for the 26th Council. The morning began with the Chairman, Mr. C P Dang lighting the lamp and the Principal, Mrs. Suchi Sinha leading the school in prayer. Following this, Ms. Monisha Datta, the Director, shared the significance of the day, leaving every person feeling inspired and with a newfound adoration for the school we call home. And then, a command rang out, students found their seats and the 26th Council was ready to be sworn in.

Each prefect marched with grace and you could feel the pride of their parents electrifying the amphitheatre. The new council presented their flags to the school and felt the weight of



responsibility as the Vice President of the board, Mr Mohit Dang bestowed them with their sash and appointment certificates, and their parents pinned the badges on them. They received their flags from the Chairman, Mr C P Dang, and as they took their oath, they began their journey as the new guard. The amphitheatre echoed with thunderous applause and encouraging cheers as the 26th Council marched past.

The following are the members of the 26th Council for The Doon Girls' School.

Student Name	Post
Samaira Gagneja	Head Girl
Avira Garg	Vice Head Girl
Saumya Jha	Sports Captain
Geetika Shakya	Vice Sports Captain
Lavanya V. Patel	Cuckoo House Captain
Sanskriti Mehrotra	Cuckoo House Vice Captain
Anushka Gupta	Koel House Captain
Shreya Middha	Koel House Vice Captain
Aradhya Roongta	Myna House Captain

Student Name	Post
Saavi Agarwal	Myna House Vice Captain
Mishika Agarwal	Robin House Captain
Sinaaki Bhuyan	Robin House Vice Captain
Mannat Jakhar	Discipline In-charge
Kavyanjali Chauhan	Discipline In-charge
Gayatri Aswani	Literary Club In-charge
Vibhi Agarwal	Literary Club In-charge
Parini Khod	Nature Club In-charge
Sasha Aswani	Nature Club In-charge

The ceremony concluded with everyone cheerfully singing the birthday song for the school and sharing cake. While students changed for an exciting day ahead, the parents enjoyed a high tea. The cheer, pride and spirit of festivity bloomed in every smile.



 **THE DOON GIRLS' SCHOOL**  
**INVESTITURE CEREMONY**



# Awards and Recognitions

The Doon Girls' School had the honour of hosting the CISCE Dehradun East Zone Trial for Yoga. The Council recognised and appreciated the school's efforts in ensuring the smooth conduct of the event and encouraging spirited participation.



# Student's Corner

## Head Girl's Message

April 17, 2025

"Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality"

~ Warren Bennis

Walking through the gates of The Doon Girls' School on April 7, 2022, I entered as a student with dreams, curiosity, and hope in my heart. Little did I know that this institution would soon become my second home - a place that would shape my personality, strengthen my values, and give me memories to cherish forever.

Today, as I write this message as the Head Girl of the school, I feel deeply honoured and grateful for this incredible journey. These years have been filled with learning, growth, challenges, achievements, laughter, and unforgettable moments that have helped me evolve into a more confident and responsible individual.

Being chosen as the Head Girl has been one of the proudest moments of my life. This responsibility has taught me that true leadership is not about authority but about service, teamwork, empathy, and setting an example for others. Every experience, whether big or small, has helped me learn valuable life lessons that I will carry with me forever.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our respected Principal, teachers, wardens, didis, bhaiyas, and the entire school staff for their constant guidance, encouragement, and unwavering support. Your faith in me has inspired me to believe in myself and strive to do my best in every situation.

To my friends and fellow students, thank you for making this journey beautiful and memorable. The friendships built here, the smiles shared in corridors, the celebrations, the hard work during events, and the countless memories together will always hold a special place in my heart.

The Doon Girls' School has given me much more than just education - it has given me confidence, discipline, values and a sense of belonging. I feel immensely proud to be a part of this wonderful institution that nurtures not only young minds, but also strong and compassionate individuals.

To all my juniors, I would like to encourage you to make the most of every opportunity, believe in your potential and never be afraid to dream big. Life in school is a journey that shapes your future, so cherish every moment of it.

Lastly, I thank The Doon Girls' School for giving me a platform to grow, lead, and create memories that I will treasure for a lifetime.

With gratitude and pride,

Samaira Gagneja,

Grade X, Cuckoo House



# Creative Corner . . .

## Save the Planet Earth

It is really sad that we all are contributing daily to the destruction of our planet Earth. Earth is the only planet that has life. Its ecological balance is necessary for life. But to get a comfortable life, we are slowly destroying the life-giving aspects of the planet.

Industrialisation, urbanization, population growth, increasing number of vehicles, environmental pollution, and exploiting natural resources have affected the planet. Due to environmental pollution, there is global warming. Seasons are getting changed. Rains are becoming scanty. In fact, we are taking much more from this planet than we should. The consequences are before us. Life is becoming hard due to seasonal changes. Too much dependence is increasing on artificial sources of life. Water is becoming a scarce commodity. Indeed, life is being threatened due to too much exploitation of our planet.

We must awaken a sense of concern among the people about the destruction of nature. First of all, we must plant more and more trees. We must check environmental pollution. We must check deforestation. It is a dire need to take immediate steps so that our planet is not destroyed so rapidly.

Amaira Gagneja, Class - II A  
Robin House

## My School

When I came to this school, I was in class one. At the starting of the year, I missed my parents a lot. I wondered, "Why did I come here?" I asked this question to myself but then, I also found the answer by myself. Do you want to know what the answer is? It was, "I came here to study and become something when I grow up." After some time, I started making many friends. In this school, my favourite sport is basketball. This sport taught me that whenever we fall down, then only can we grow up and achieve something. Years have passed and now I am in class five, and I will always love my school

Meera Saini  
Class - V, Koel House

## Journey

Different names, different ways,  
Yet all seek the same light of love, peace and humanity.  
We, as students, are set on a journey to excel in our lives.  
The same way, I have also set on a journey to my  
destination,  
And when I come back, I won't regret what I did.  
I will do something which will make my mother proud  
and say,  
"She is my daughter."  
And to hear it from our mothers and fathers,  
All of us need to work with our best efforts,  
and with love, peace and humanity,  
Because that is what makes us better,  
A better human being.

Supriya Sharma  
Class - VI, Koel House

# Creative Corner . . .

## Friendship

Friendship is a beautiful bond between two souls, a connection that transcends time and distance. It's about sharing laughter, tears, memories and being there for each other through thick and thin.

True friends accept each other's flaws and imperfections and support for each other only grows stronger with time.

A good friend is a treasure, a confidante and a partner in crime.

To all my friends.

Sinaaki Cynthia Bhuyan

Class - VIII, Robin House

## Twilight Whispers

The sun retreats in robes of gold,

A story that is never old.

It paints the clouds in violet hues,  
And washes out the midday blues.

The trees stand tall, like sentinels,  
As evening rings its quiet bells.

A sudden breeze begins to stir,  
The world becomes a gentle blur.

The fragrance of the dampened earth,  
Gives every cooling thought its birth.

We stand beneath the vast expanse,  
In nature's slow and steady dance.

Beneath the silver, rising moon,  
The day hums one last lingering tune.

Amaira Gagneja

Class VI, Robin House

## Sisterhood

They say elder sisters are like mothers. I truly believe that. My eldest sister pushed me to study, even beat me up when I was careless. I used to feel angry but now I understand that her scolding was filled with love and care. She showered me with love like a mother does. She wanted me to become a better person.

My second sister is completely different. We fight like cats and dogs, and beat each other up too. But she was my first best friend, even though I won't ever tell her. Our fights never lasted long, not after she cooked Maggie for me, and I made an apology card to make up with her. We never stay upset with each other for too long.

Being the youngest, I was always surrounded by their love, laughter and hugs. But now that they have moved away, the house feels quieter and my room feels emptier. The house feels dull. The house used to be filled with silly conversation, mandatory hugs, fights over cellphones, long video calls, voices saying, "Didi, when are you coming home?" I really miss having my sisters around me.

Mannat

Class IX, Robin House

# Midterm Trip 2025

November 6-8, 2025

Mid-term is all about learning beyond the four walls of the classroom. It reminds us that learning is a continuous and beautiful process, one that does not always happen when we sit down with books and notebooks. Sometimes, the most meaningful lessons come when we step out, observe, explore, interact, and experience the world around us.

Learning happens while doing, while asking questions, while listening to others, while walking through unfamiliar paths, and while discovering new ways of looking at life. It happens in conversations, in curiosity, in small moments of wonder, and in hands-on experiences that stay with children long after the day is over.

Our students have been making the most of this enriching mid-term experience. From learning the art of soap-making to walking through the village,

interacting with the local community, understanding their way of life, and exploring the beauty of nature, every activity has opened a new window of learning for them. These experiences have helped them connect with people, places, skills, and ideas in a meaningful way.

The joy on their faces, the excitement in their voices, and their eagerness to try something new have made this journey truly special. They have not only enjoyed themselves thoroughly but have also learnt valuable lessons in independence, teamwork, observation, empathy, and appreciation for the world around them.

After trying their hand at several new activities, learning new skills, and creating memories to cherish, our heartbeats made their way back.





# Midterm Trip, 2026

April 3-5, 2026

The April 03-04, 2026 brought with them new friendships, new learnings, endless laughter, delicious food, and then some more food! The happy faces of the children said it all—

Day 1 was filled with joy, excitement, and moments that will be remembered for a long time.

It was heartwarming to see how quickly the children settled in. In no time, it became difficult to tell the new faces from the old ones, proving once again that this truly is a home away from home. A fun-filled first day, packed with bonding, laughter, and shared experiences, led to deep and peaceful sleep. And with the morning sun came renewed energy, bright smiles, and the excitement to begin another day.

Good morning, world—we are ready to go!

Mid-term is a time to bond, to learn, to explore, and yes, to enjoy a little junk food too! It is a time when children create memories not only with one another but also with their teachers. These moments of togetherness help build confidence,

comfort, and friendships that often last far beyond the trip.

Day 2 treated them beautifully, with the Sun God holding fort and blessing the day with pleasant weather. The excitement continued with shopping, more food, cheerful conversations, and rickshaw rides that added their own charm to the experience. One of the highlights was watching the children select their own bhutta and then have it roasted—a simple yet delightful experience, and perhaps a first for many of them.

As the day moved into evening, the children danced and sang their way into the night. With friendships formed, bonds strengthened, and hearts full of happiness, they moved together more comfortably into this beautiful space that has already begun to feel like home.

The Mid-Term Trip to Mussoorie was not just a break from routine; it was a celebration of childhood, learning, laughter, and the joy of being together in a true home away from home.





# | Ganga Puja

March 27, 2025

The Jubilee Batch of The Doon Girls' School visited the holy river Ganga for the sacred Ganga Puja ceremony. As part of this beautiful tradition, students offered prayers, lit diyas, and gently floated them on the river, creating a serene and spiritual atmosphere. The evening was filled with peace, devotion, and togetherness, making it a memorable experience for all.



# Learning and Development

## Understanding Symmetry

March 10, 2025

Students of The Doon Girls' School explored the concept of symmetry in architectural structures through an engaging hands-on activity. By observing building designs and creating symmetrical patterns and models, students understood how mathematics and architecture work together to create balance, beauty, and

strength. The activity highlighted the importance of experiential learning and beautifully reflected the thought, "Learning happens by doing, rest is just information." Through creativity and practical application, students gained a deeper understanding of symmetry in everyday life and architectural design.



# D.E.A.R. Activity

April 6, 2024

D.E.A.R. — Drop Everything And Read — is very dear to us at The Doon Girls' School. To encourage students and teachers to read more often and develop regular reading habits, D.E.A.R. mornings are observed fortnightly on Saturdays.

The D.E.A.R. sessions create a calm and joyful atmosphere across the school. As everyone pauses their routine to immerse themselves in books, the experience helps students and teachers feel relaxed, focused, and inspired to continue reading the books they have started.



# World Book Day Celebration

April 6, 2024

On World Book Day, The Doon Girls' School had the privilege of hosting Bijoya Sawian, a renowned author and translator, who inspired the students through her insightful interaction and love for literature. She encouraged students to read widely and write with sincerity and passion.

Ms Sawian also shared valuable guidance on

beginning a writing journey, leaving a lasting impression on young minds. A memorable highlight of the session was her gifting an autographed copy of her book, *From Sylhet to Shillong*, to one of the students.

Her presence made the celebration truly enriching and inspiring for all.



# | Learning by Doing

May 5, 2025

At The Doon Girls' School, we believe that true learning happens through experience. The idea that 'you don't learn till you dirty your hands' perfectly reflects our approach towards education and creativity. Students enthusiastically participate in hands-on activities that encourage exploration, experimentation, and practical understanding.

Whether it is art, science, craft, gardening, or innovative classroom projects, every activity helps students discover new skills while learning in an enjoyable way. Such experiences build confidence, curiosity, teamwork, and problem-solving abilities. The excitement and energy during these sessions always leave everyone wondering — what exciting activity is coming next? One thing is certain: learning at DGS is always interactive, meaningful, and full of surprises!



# | Hands that Learn, Minds That Grow

Aug. 11, 2025

Tell me and I will forget, teach me and I remember, involve me and I learn, beautifully reflects the spirit of experiential learning at The Doon Girls' School. Working with one's hands is not just therapeutic but also a valuable life skill. Through creative and

practical activities, students learn patience, confidence, and problem-solving in an engaging way. Such experiences make learning meaningful, enjoyable, and lasting.



# BSAI Teachers' Workshop

Aug. 1-3, 2025

A three-day workshop organized by the Boarding Schools Association of India (BSAI) was held at Kasiga School from August 1st–3rd, bringing together teachers from several prestigious residential schools, including The Doon School, Welham Girls' and Tula's. The aim was to enhance the professional skills and well-being of teachers in boarding school settings.

Key Sessions and Highlights:

1. Life of a Residential School Teacher – Dr. J. Singh (Headmaster, The Doon School) discussed the multifaceted roles teachers play beyond academics, including mentorship & pastoral care.
2. Communication & Conflict Management – Mr. Vinay Pandey shared strategies for resolving conflicts and promoting collaboration.
3. Legal & Ethical Responsibilities – Garima Rao

educated staff on POCSO, NCPCR, and POSH, focusing on student safety.

4. Team Building & Trust – Mr. Philip Burret used interactive methods to highlight staff cooperation and mutual respect.
  5. Pastoral Care Skills – Ms. Monisha Datta provided tools to support students' emotional and social needs.
  6. Educational Insights – A special session with Arundhati Shukla offered a reflective look at teaching philosophy.
  7. Tutors' Reflections – Mr. Rashid (HM, Kasiga School) led a collaborative session for teachers to share experiences and strategies.
- It was a valuable and enriching experience, offering practical skills, peer learning, and a stronger sense of community among educators.



# Transformative Pastoral Practices Workshop

Aug. 23-24, 2025

A two-day workshop on Transformative Pastoral Practices was successfully conducted on August 23-24, bringing together eminent educators and pastoral leaders from some of the country's most prestigious schools.

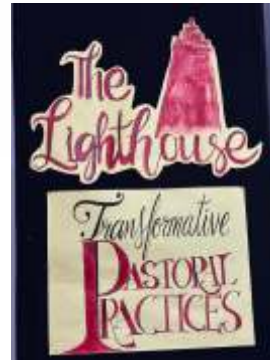
On August 23, the session was led by Ms. Monisha Datta, who shared insightful strategies on effectively supporting children in boarding schools. She introduced innovative approaches such as Circle of Resolution, Empathy map, Johari Window and other such resources to deal with various prevalent issues among adolescents and teenagers. A session titled "Mental Health of Children — A Growing Challenge" was conducted by Ms Gunjan Prasad, counselling psychologist, and explored emerging psychological concerns in childhood and adolescence, how to spot risk signs, and effective preventive measures.

On August 24, the resource person Dr. Deepti conducted an engaging session on understanding

the human nervous system and its responses in varied situations. She emphasized the importance of attunement in pastoral care, enabling educators to build deeper and healthier connections with their students.

Both days witnessed the presence of Dr. V. Pandey and Mr. R. P. Devgan, whose guidance enriched the workshop experience. The highlight of the final day was the address by Dr. J. Singh, Headmaster of The Doon School, who inspired the delegates with his thought-provoking words and provided a motivating conclusion to the workshop.

The two-day workshop not only offered fresh perspectives but also reaffirmed the shared commitment of educators to nurture student well-being through innovative pastoral practices. The sessions concluded on a note of renewed energy, compassion, and dedication towards shaping a more supportive environment for children across schools in India.



# Inter-School Debate Competition

Sep. 1, 2025

The Inter-School English Debate Competition 2025 was successfully hosted by The Doon Girls' School on September 1, 2025, bringing together nine schools for a day of intellectual exchange and spirited competition. The event featured two categories — Group A (Grades VII–VIII) and Group B (Grades IX–X) — where participants showcased impressive oratory, critical thinking, and rebuttal skills.

The esteemed panel of judges included Mr. Yogendra Bhattacharya, Ms. Protima Sen, Mr. R. P. Devgan, and Ms. Ranjona Banerji, whose valuable insights enriched the event.

The Best Speakers were:

Group A: Kanak Negi (For the Motion) and Arna Pant (Against the Motion)

Group B: Eva Pandey (For the Motion) and Sudhyati Kandari of Doon International School (Against the Motion)

Doon International School won the Overall Trophy, while Jaswant Modern School secured second position and Adroit Progressive School stood third.

The competition was a true celebration of confidence, expression, and healthy academic competition.



# Class 4's Heartwarming Visit to Prem Dham

Aug 08-10, 2024

On 15th October 2025, the students of Class 4 visited Prem Dham for a joyful and memorable outing. The visit was filled with warmth and happiness as the children interacted with the elderly residents, sharing stories, riddles, and cheerful conversations. A lively dance session brought smiles to everyone's faces, with students and elders celebrating together in a spirit of joy and togetherness. The students also presented hand-painted diyas, spreading festive cheer and adding a special touch to the occasion. The visit beautifully

reflected the values of compassion, respect, and connection, making it a truly meaningful experience for all.



# DGS Shines at Inter-School Junior Hindi Debate Competition 2025

Nov. 03, 2025

The Doon School organized 2025 the Inter-School Junior Hindi Debate Competition – 2025 on 3rd November 2025. Eleven reputed schools from Dehradun participated in this prestigious event. The Doon Girls' School also took part in the competition with participants — Samaira Gagneja, Saumya Jha, and Kavyanjali Chauhan. They were accompanied by Dr. Jyoti Verma as the escort teacher.

DGS won against the motion. Kavyanjali Chauhan was awarded Best Speaker, while Saumya Jha was recognized as the Most Promising Speaker. The Doon Girls' School team performed commendably, showcasing excellent oratory skills, confidence, and clarity of thought. Their participation brought pride to the school.

# Splitting of Light

Nov. 18, 2025

Learning about the splitting of white light in textbooks is fascinating, but witnessing it firsthand is truly magical. As Grade 4 students stepped into the sunlight and watched a prism scatter light into a beautiful rainbow spectrum, the lesson came alive before their eyes. The outdoors became their laboratory, turning a science concept into an unforgettable experience of wonder and discovery.



# | How Shadows Are Formed?

Nov. 18, 2025

The bright morning sunlight became the perfect teacher for Grade 4 students as they explored the fascinating concept of how shadows are formed. Stepping outdoors at noon, the students eagerly observed that shadows are longest in the morning and shortest at midday. The activity turned into a joyful learning experience as the children watched their shadows change shape and size throughout the day. Of course, every shadow also became the perfect excuse for adorable Korean-style poses, adding laughter and fun to this memorable science lesson!



# | Light Travels in a Straight Line

Nov. 26, 2025

Grade I students explored the fascinating concept that light travels in a straight line through a fun hands-on activity. Learning through doing made the lesson engaging, enjoyable, and easy to understand for the young learners.

The students eagerly observed how light moved and shared their excitement during the experiment. The activity not only sparked curiosity but also encouraged scientific thinking in a joyful and memorable way.



# | Thanksgiving Celebration

Nov. 27, 2025

Our Grade IV students celebrated Thanksgiving with great enthusiasm while learning the importance of gratitude and thankfulness. Through joyful activities and discussions, the children understood the value of appreciating the people and blessings in their lives.

The celebration filled the classroom with warmth, smiles, and positivity, reminding everyone that a grateful heart brings true happiness.



# 17th Inter School (Jr.) Science Quiz

Feb 21, 2026

The halls of The Doon Girls' School, Dalanwala, buzzed with intellectual vigour and creative energy today as it hosted the 17th Inter School (Jr.) Science Quiz Competition alongside the inspiring Change Maker Programme with the theme 'Design for Change'. The dual event brought together the finest young minds from Dehradun's most reputed institutions to battle for top honours in scientific knowledge and social innovation. Ten premier schools competed in a gruelling preliminary round, with the top five teams: Shigally Hills, DGS, Jaswant Modern, Himjyoti, Adroit advancing to a high-stakes final. The competition tested the students' depth of knowledge, quick reflexes, and teamwork. After a series of challenging rounds that kept the audience on the edge of their seats, Shigally Hills emerged victorious with 80 points, lifting the coveted 17th Inter School Science Trophy. The Doon Girls' put up a formidable fight, securing the second position with 69 points.

Parallel to the quiz, the Change Maker Programme saw over seven schools presenting visionary

projects. From environmental sustainability to urban solutions, these young "bold change-makers" showcased initiatives aimed at tackling real-world issues.

The creativity and passion displayed were palpable, but it was Welham Boys' that ultimately claimed the first-place for their outstanding project 'Automated Solar Watering system' and proposed solutions. The event was graced by two eminent professionals who brought a wealth of expertise to the evaluation process Ms. Oceanika Bhatt, an Environmental Advocate and Urban Planner, currently serving as Assistant Manager at Waste Warriors Society, Dehradun. Ms. Shuchi Datta: An innovative fashion designer and Assistant Manager of Design at Van Heusen Sport.

The event featured a stellar lineup of schools, including: Himjyoti School, PYDS, John Martin, Shigally Hills, Welham Boys', Jaswant Modern, Kasiga, Oasis, Adroit and The Doon Girls' School. The day concluded with a celebration of curiosity and a shared commitment to using science and innovation as tools for positive global change.



# Celebrating National Science Day

Feb 28, 2026

On National Science Day, the students of our school organized a vibrant exhibition on the theme “Science Around Us.” The exhibition showcased innovative models, experiments, and practical demonstrations highlighting the role of science in everyday life.

We were delighted to welcome 10 students from IT Children’s Academy, who visited the exhibition and appreciated the creativity and effort put in by

our young learners. The students confidently explained their projects, reflecting their understanding, curiosity, and enthusiasm for science.

The displays and presentations beautifully demonstrated the collaborative efforts of students and teachers working together as a team. The event truly reflected the spirit of experiential learning — “You do, We do, You do Together.”



# Camp on Campus

## Mad Cap: A Glimpse into Boarding Life

The Doon Girls' School, Dehradun, was delighted to host Mad Cap, a two-day and one-night boarding experience for prospective students on 6th and 7th February 2026. Thoughtfully designed to offer children a meaningful introduction to life at DGS, the programme helped young learners feel confident, cared for, and inspired within a nurturing boarding environment.

The experience began on Friday, 6th February, with reporting and registration at the DGS North Campus Admissions Office at 10:00 a.m., followed by a welcome address. Parents departed thereafter, allowing children to immerse themselves in the rhythms of school life. Through academic, pastoral, and co-curricular engagements, students experienced the warmth, discipline, and vibrant spirit that define DGS.

Throughout the programme, children were under the constant supervision of trained house parents and faculty, with medical support and pastoral care available on campus. Meals, accommodation, and routines reflected regular boarding standards.



# Environmental Stewardship

## Green Gurukul Project





# शब्दों के पंख

## बहना मेरी

लगता है यह आंगन सुना घर का,  
जो चहक उठता था तेरी आवाज से कभी ।  
छोड़ गई अपने सब अपनों को,  
सपने पूरे करने दूर कहीं ।  
हम बैठे हैं तेरे इंतजार में,  
मुस्कुरा उठेगा घर का आंगन फिर से ,  
जब आई तू बहना मेरी ।

मन्नत जाखड़ कक्षा 9



## कैसे बताऊं तुझे

कैसे बताऊँ तुझे ,  
भाई मेरे मैं तुम्हें क्या बताऊँ?  
दिखाती नहीं पर प्यार करती हूँ बहुत ।  
याद आती है तेरी मुझे पर जताती नहीं कभी तुझे ।  
जब रक्षाबंधन से एक दिन पहले ,  
लड़ाई कर लेते थे हम कहते थे ।  
मैं ना बांधूंगी राखी तुझे कल ,  
उपहार भी तो चाहिए था ।  
तो गुस्सा रख देती एक तरफ ।  
तीन साल हो गए बाँधी ना राखी तेरी कलाई पर ,  
जब याद आते हैं वह दिन तुम मुझे ,  
भर आती है आंखें मेरी ।  
आंखों में आंसू देख कर मेरे दोस्त दौड़े चले आते ,  
मगर उनकी बातों में वह सुकून कहां ?  
जो सुख मिलता है मुझे गले लगा कर तुझे ।

रिद्धि वार्ष्णेय कक्षा 8

## सपनों का आशियाना मेरा विद्यालय

विकास वहीं से शुरू होता है । जहां हम दूसरों जैसे बनने की कोशिश छोड़कर खुद पर विश्वास करना शुरू कर देते हैं। तीन साल यूँ बीत गए जैसे कोई सुंदर सपना था । हर दिन एक नई सीख मिली हर रिश्ता अपना सा था ।

कुछ जगह सिर्फ इमारत नहीं होती , वह हमारी यादों का घर बन जाती है । यह स्कूल मेरे लिए ऐसी ही जगह है । यहां की सुबह केवल प्रार्थना से नहीं बल्कि नए सपनों और नहीं उम्मीद से शुरू होती है । दोस्ती सिर्फ इस सफर का हिस्सा नहीं थी । वह इस सफर की सबसे खूबसूरत वजह थी । उनकी हंसी ने हर मुश्किल पल को हल्का किया है और हर खुशी को यादगार बनाया है । इन तीन वर्षों में मैंने सिर्फ किताबों से ज्ञान नहीं सीखा बल्कि जीवन जीने की कल भी सीखी है , यहां के शिक्षकों ने केवल पढ़ाया नहीं , बल्कि हर परिस्थिति में आगे बढ़ना भी सिखाया है । कुछ लोग शब्दों में अपनी कहानी कहते हैं और मैं अपने हर एहसास को डांस की ताल में जीती हूँ । इस स्कूल ने मेरे इस जुनून को सिर्फ पहचाना नहीं बल्कि उसे मंच देकर मेरी पहचान बना दी कि शांत वीडियो के बीच यह स्कूल मेरे सपनों का आशियाना बन गया । जहां मैं हर दिन कुछ नया सीख कर खुद पर भरोसा करना सीखा और पूरे आत्मविश्वास के साथ अपने सपनों की ओर बढ़ना सीखा ।

मिषिका अग्रवाल, कक्षा 9

## मीठी यादें

कक्षा की वह प्यारी यादें , जो अभी भी दिल में बसी है ।  
वह पुराने दिन जिसमें हम,  
बेफिक्र होकर खेला करते थे ।  
वह क्लास रूम की हंसी अब याद आती है ।  
दोस्तों के साथ की हर बात याद आती है ।  
बेंच पर लिखे नाम छोटी शरारत,  
हर गुजरा हुआ पल आज भी मुस्कान दे जाता है।  
ना किताबों का बोझ महसूस होता था,  
ना वक्त इतनी तेजी से भागता था ।  
आज सब अपने रास्तों में खो गए ,  
पर वह क्लासमेट्स दिल में रह गए ।

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## सुहाना बचपन

कुछ पल होते हैं जो हमेशा याद रहत हैं ,  
जैसे मेरा सुहाना बचपन ।  
छोटी तो मैं तब थी, जब मैं मिट्टी में गिरकर खेलती थी।  
अब कहां वह पल वापस आएंगे ,छोटी थी तो मैं तब भी ।  
जब मैं मां के गोद में रोती थी ,  
अब कहां आएंगे वह पल वापिस ।  
जाना है मुझे वापस उन दिनों में ,  
और जीना है हर पल वापस ।  
फिर से गिरकर उठना है मुझे ,  
और साना है अपनी मां की गोद में ।  
जीना है वह हर पल वापिस ।  
जब मैं अपने पापा के साथ पढ़ती थी ,  
वह बचपन में मैं अपनी दोस्तों के साथ खेलती थी ।  
कब आएगा वह वापस ,  
फिर जाना है उसे हंसमुख पल में ।  
बचपन वह सबके लिए उनकी जान है ।  
पर मेरे लिए मेरा बचपन मेरी पहचान है,  
कैसे भूल सकती हूँ ? मैं इस सुहाने पल को ।  
जिसने मेरी जिंदगी बदल डाली है ।

श्रेया मिड्डा, कक्षा 8

## मेरी माँ

कहां है तू मां ? ढूंढती हूँ मैं तुझे हर जगह,  
कभी मन करता है कि तुझे कस कर गले लगा लूं ।  
तो कभी मन करता है कि तुम्हारी गोद में बस सोती रहूँ कहां  
है तू कहां तू नहीं है ?  
मां बस तुम ही हो चैन भी और दर्द बस तुम ही हो ।  
तू है कहां ? बस अब सामने आ जा ना ।  
कहां -कहां ढूंढा तुम्हें बस?  
अब आ जा बस अब आ जा ना ।  
मेरी जुल्फों पर फिर अपना हाथ फिरा जाना ।  
डर लगता है जब तुम रोती हो ,  
क्योंकि मेरे रोने पर तुम होती हो ।  
पर तुम्हारे रोने पर मैं नहीं हूँ,  
याद आती है बस अब सामने आ जाना ।

पाखी भालोटिया, कक्षा 8

## हंस कर बोलो

जो भी बोलो हंस कर बोलो,  
जब भी बोलो सत्य और प्रेम से बोलो ।  
कभी किसी का बुरा मत मानो,  
जब भी बोलो हंसकर बोलो।  
जो भी बोलो हंसकर बोलो,  
जब भी बोलो सिर उठा कर बोलो ।

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# Art Gallery



Mokshita, CI-VI



Ifra, CI-VI



Amitoj, CI-VII - made on the occasion of Ruskin Bond's Birthday.



Manyata, CI-VII



Gayatri, CI-VII



Meera Saini, CI-V



Vibhi, CI-VII

# Sports and Games

## 26th Open State Roller-Skating Championship 2025

May 03-04, 2025

Once again our students made us proud by winning medals at the Open State Roller Skating Championship.

- Ankita Das - Gold Medal (Speed Race)
- Supriya - Silver Medal (Relay Event)
- Kridhanshi Gupta - Silver Medal (Speed Race)



## CISCE Regional Yoga Competition

July 29, 2025

The Doon Girls' School proudly congratulates our student Lavanya Vishal Patel for her outstanding achievement at the CISCE Regional Yoga Competition 2025 held at Swami Hariharanand Public School on July 29, 2025.

Through her dedication, discipline, and excellent performance, Lavanya earned selection for the National Yoga CISCE Uttarakhand Team. This remarkable accomplishment has brought immense pride and joy to the school community.

We wish her continued success in all her future endeavours.



# National Sports Day Celebration

August 29, 2025

The school playground buzzed with excitement as students celebrated National Sports Day with great enthusiasm and joy. The afternoon turned into a carnival of cheers, laughter, and friendly competition as students participated in a variety of traditional games including Kho-Kho, Pithu, and Tug of War. Each house displayed remarkable teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the event. After several thrilling rounds, the results were as follows: Cuckoo House clinched the Kho-Kho Trophy, Robin House emerged winners of Pithu, Koel House proved their strength in the Tug

of War and Myna House was honoured with the 'Most Enthusiastic Team' award.

The entire event was beautifully organised by the Sports Dept., whose efforts ensured that everyone—participants & spectators alike — had an unforgettable time. Their excellent coordination and team spirit made this celebration a resounding success.

Well done to all the houses and the Sports Department for making National Sports Day a memorable occasion!



# Uttarakhand Open Renbukan Karate Championships 2025

Sep. 28, 2025

The students of The Doon Girls' School brought laurels to the school with their outstanding performance at the Uttarakhand Open Renbukan Karate Championships 2025. Displaying remarkable discipline, confidence, and sportsmanship, the girls excelled in both Kata and Kumite events, winning medals across various categories.

The school congratulates Kyoshi Ajay Gurung Sir and his dedicated team for their excellent guidance and training. Their hard work and commitment have once again inspired the students to achieve success at a prestigious platform. The medal

winner is: Saumya Jha – Silver in Kata and Bronze in Kumite, Aarshi Pandey – Bronze in Kumite, Sinaki – Bronze in Kumite, Riddhi – Silver in Kumite, Gayatri – Gold in Kata and Silver in Kumite, Misheeta – Gold in Kata and Silver in Kumite, Sanskriti Gupta – Bronze in Kumite, Kavya Agarwal – Bronze in Kata, Geetika – Bronze in Kata and Gold in Kumite, Sherya Middha – Bronze in Kata. The school community applauds the girls for their dedication and achievements and wishes them continued success in future competitions.



# 16th Sri Tek-Chand Memorial Basketball Tournament

Sept. 25-27, 2025

The 16th 'Shri Tek Chand Memorial Basketball Tournament – U-12 Girls', hosted by The Doon Girls' School in association with the District Basketball Association, concluded successfully, continuing its proud legacy of promoting girls' sports. The annual tournament is held in memory of Late Shri Tek Chand Dang, father of the School Chairman, Mr. C. P. Dang.

The Chief Guest for the event was Mr. Suresh Kumar Ranot, an accomplished basketball player who has represented India at various international tournaments. The Guests of Honour included Indrani Pandhi, Chairman and Managing Director of The Himachal Times Group, along with Mr. Mohit Dang, Ms. Monisha Datta, and Mr. R. P. Devgan.

The tournament saw enthusiastic participation from ten schools across the district, highlighting

young talent and encouraging sportsmanship and teamwork.

The grand finale between The Doon Girls' School and Him Jyoti School was thrilling, with The Doon Girls' School emerging victorious.

## Individual Awards

Most Promising Player: Parini Khod, The Doon Girls' School

Best Player: Anisha Rastogi, The Doon Girls' School

Special prizes presented by Mandeep Grewal were awarded to Anahita Singh of Gyananda School and Yashashwini Rawat of Convent of Jesus and Mary.

The tournament continues to inspire young athletes by promoting discipline, resilience, and empowerment through sports.





# 14th Annual Sports Meet

Dec. 13, 2025

The Doon Girls' School proudly hosted its 14th Annual Sports Day on December 13, 2025, celebrating the athletic spirit, teamwork, and talent of its students. The event was graced by the Chief Guest, Tripti Bhatt, who also inaugurated the school's new building, marking a significant milestone for the institution.

The occasion was attended by distinguished guests, including the Chairman, C. P. Dang, Vice President Mohit Dang, along with Mrs. Sangeeta Kain, Mrs. Priyo Lal, Mrs. Kiran Kapoor, Mr. R. P. Devgan, Ms. Indrani Pandhi, and Ms. Monisha Dutta.

Centered around the inspiring theme, "The Power of We," the event highlighted unity, teamwork, and collective strength. Students presented a spectacular showcase of talent through Yoga, Umbrella Drill, Skating, Karate, PT displays,

Aerobics, and Zumba, captivating the audience with their energy and discipline.

In her address, Tripti Bhatt praised the students for their sportsmanship and emphasized the importance of physical fitness and collaboration. The ceremony also recognized students who brought laurels to the school at the national level. Ankita Das (Skating), Kamal Kour (Karate), Lavanya V. Patel, Yashasvi Yadav, Mokshita, Aadya Agarwal, Jaynandini Singh, and Aarshi Pandey (Yoga), along with Kavita Bisht and Kavyanjali Chauhan (National Basketball Camp), were felicitated for their outstanding achievements.

The event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks by the Principal, Sumali Devgan, celebrating the spirit of healthy competition and the strong sense of community that defines The Doon Girls' School.







## | Independence Day

Aug. 15, 2025

The Independence Day celebration at The Doon Girls' School on 15th August was a heartfelt tribute to the nation. The programme began with the ceremonial flag hoisting by Chairman Mr. C. P. Dang, followed by the National Anthem, filling the atmosphere with patriotism and unity. Sweets were then distributed by Mr. Dang, adding joy to the celebration.



A special highlight was a captivating skit presented by Myna House, portraying the childhood and inspiring journey of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and the formation of the Azad Hind Fauj.

The celebration beautifully combined solemnity and festivity, leaving everyone with a deep sense of pride and patriotism.



## | Janmashtami Celebration

Aug. 26, 2024

The Doon Girls' School celebrated Janmashtami on 16th August 2025 with great devotion and enthusiasm. The programme commenced with the ceremonial lamp lighting, symbolising the triumph of knowledge and positivity. Students presented a vibrant skit depicting the life and teachings of Krishna, followed by graceful dance performances on devotional bhajans such as "Nand ke Anand Bhayo" and "O Palanhari." The highlight of the celebration was the captivating "Kaliya Nag" dance, portraying Lord Krishna's victory over evil. The event concluded with a soulful bhajan sandhya and aarti, creating a spiritually uplifting atmosphere. Through the

various performances, students reflected on the timeless values of knowledge, responsibility, kindness, and leadership inspired by Lord Krishna's life and teachings.



# Teachers' Day Celebrations

Sep. 05, 2025

The Doon Girls' School celebrated Teacher's Day on 5th September 2025 with great enthusiasm and joy, honouring the dedication and guidance of its teachers. The programme, organised by the students, began with a warm welcome for the teachers in the Amphitheatre.

A special South Indian dress theme added colour and elegance to the celebration, with teachers participating wholeheartedly. The event featured entertaining games, activities, and cultural performances, creating a lively and cheerful atmosphere.

A heartfelt PowerPoint presentation and video prepared by the students beautifully expressed

their gratitude and appreciation for their mentors. The celebration concluded with a special lunch, making the day memorable and strengthening the bond between teachers and students.



# Celebrating Truth and Triumph

Oct. 02, 2025

The Doon Girls' School presented a meaningful play that beautifully combined the spirit of Gandhi Jayanti and Dusshera. Organised by Cuckoo House, the performance highlighted the values of truth, non-violence, and moral courage taught by Mahatma Gandhi, while also portraying Dusshera as the triumph of good over evil. The script, prepared by Ms. Jyoti Tadiyal and Ms. Nabia, was

brought to life with the support of dedicated teachers, the music team, and choir. Creative props, standees, and the impressive Ravan effigy added visual appeal, while the students' confident performances made the production truly memorable. The play served as a thoughtful reminder of the importance of values, unity, and teamwork in today's world.



# Children's Day Celebration

Nov. 14, 2025

To make Children's Day extra special, the students enjoyed a fun-filled outing to the Mall of Dehradun. The surprise trip brought endless excitement as the children relished delicious food, played exciting games, and spent the day laughing and creating joyful memories together. It was truly a day of happiness, fun, and celebration for all.



# Holi Celebration

Mar. 3, 2026

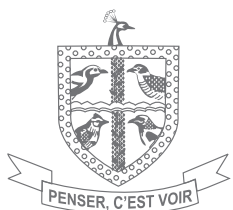
The Doon Girls' School celebrated Holi with great joy and enthusiasm, filling the campus with colours, music, and laughter. The true spirit of the celebration was reflected in the happiness shared by everyone as students and staff danced together and

enjoyed the festive atmosphere.

The celebration spread the message of togetherness, positivity, and unity, reminding us that every individual matters. Wishing everyone a joyful and colourful Holi!



# Inaugural Pooja - South Campus



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