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### **WE MUST FOCUS IN BEING BEAUTIFUL ON THE INSIDE**

The world focuses on what people look like on the outside, but the real essence is focusing on what people look like on the inside. Do you spend more time and effort in looking pretty on the outside, rather than the inside?

While there is nothing wrong with wanting to look pretty, we need to make sure that there is a balance. A good heart would rather see us work on becoming drop-dead gorgeous on the inside!

Many people are truly beautiful for the love and the positive difference they make in the lives of the people they meet. This inner beauty is a blessing to the people around them.

Loving parents are beautiful for all the blessings and love they shower on their children, but so is a person guiding a blind man across a busy street, a young man giving up his seat for an elderly woman, an aunt bringing her niece for a medical appointment.

Our forms may not be comely, our features may not be the prettiest, but our spirit should be beautiful. And this inward beauty always shines through. We may have no control on how we look, but we surely can take good care of what we have inside.

Let us start grooming our inner self. Let us spend time reflecting, praying and learning to be a better person.

-Shreya Khetan

## THINK ABOUT IT!

**"You can change  
friends but not  
neighbors."**

-Atal Bihari Vajpayee



# WELMUN'18

HUMANITY SHOULD BE OUR RACE  
LOVE SHOULD BE OUR RELIGION



## PANGEA LA REUNION

Peace is harmony. Peace is when people choose to create a welcoming environment for all.

Whether it's Nelson Mandela waiting in jail, Martin Luther King speaking at the Lincoln Memorial, Malala triumphing over the Taliban or Pope Francis kissing the feet of AIDS patients. Peace, at root, is recognising that everyone shares a common humanity and deserves love and respect.

From August 30th to 1st September thirteen Hopetavians participated in the 4th edition of WELMUN. It was an interactive learning environment where we had the opportunity to reason, debate and collaborate with other school delegates and find ways to promote peace and harmony in this volatile world. By the end of the three-day simulation, we felt

accomplished in our efforts of propose solutions to complex global issues.

The theme for this year's conference was "Pangea la Reunion". Pangea was the single landform on Earth before the continental drift started. It signifies a single unified Earth. In French, this term signifies a world (Pangea) that needs to come together and unite (La Reunion) to solve global issues and bring peace to the world. At WELMUN'18, we debated our way into recreating a truly harmonious 'Pangea la Reunion'.

Sejal Jain and Sanya Panjwani won honorary mentions. Overall we learnt a lot and it was a great experience. We made memories for lifetime.

-Shreya Khetan

### THINGS LEARNT

It isn't enough to talk about peace. One must believe in it. And it isn't enough to believe in it.

One must work at it."

- Eleanor Roosevelt



## BOOK WEEK

BOOKS ARE UNIQUELY PORTABLE MAGIC

To celebrate the importance of books, Hopetown organised the annual book week from the 10th of September to the 15th.



We started off with a Quiz about Roald Dahl for Grade 5th and 6th. On 11th, Grade 7th and 8th had a session with illustrator and cartoonist Mr. Ajit Narayan. For the next two days we had Scholastic Book Fair which was open to all the students. On 14th, Grade XII organised Jeopardy about various topics ranging from 'Greek Mythology' to 'DC Marvel Characters' for Senior School. The Editorial Board had a panel discussion on 'MYTH AND MITHIYA' led by Fatima Saeed and Anamika De. The end of this interesting week was marked by Valentina Trivedi's 'DASTAN GOI.'



-Shreya Khetan



# P.A. WORKSHOP

*"Tell me and I forget,  
Teach me and I may remember,  
Involve me and I learn"*



The performing arts workshop held from 4th - 8th September , conducted by VIDUSHI INDRANI MUKHERJEE, was a great learning experience for the music students. This workshop was divided into three segments : Tabla , Instrumental (sitar and santoor) and Vocal.

The vocal music students were introduced to the methods of swar sadhna through chota khayals ,bada khayals ,taans and vistar. They were later taught swarmalika and lakshangeet of raag malkauns and raag bageshri and were also provided with the theoretical background of these ragas.They learnt drupad in raag kaafi , raag asavri , raag bhairavi and raag khamaj.

The tabla students learned the thekas of various taals including teen taal, ek taal,jhap taal and char taal. They were also given a brief demonstration on the basic techniques of accompanying a vocalist.

The instrumental students learnt several bandishes and raaj parichay in various ragas including raag asavri , raad bharavi , raag kaafi . raag yaman , raag bhopali ,and raag khamaj . They were also taught the technique of converting vocal music notes to the notes played on the sitar/santoor.

Overall the workshop was a great success and also a great learning experience.We would love to attend similar workshops in the future.

-Niyati Agarwal




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**PRACTICE LIKE  
YOU HAD  
NEVER WON,  
PERFORM LIKE  
YOU HAVE  
NEVER LOST.**



# TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION

BY DIANE ZOENGSANGI

The most significant lessons are learnt in classrooms. Without teachers, we would be bodies without spirits. Teachers' Day, celebrated all over India on the 5th of September, is an occasion to appreciate and acknowledge the efforts and hard work of our teachers in making us sophisticated and responsible individuals. Likewise, Hopetown was filled with an unusual buzz on the 5th of September. With the 11th batch taking major interest and initiative,

The following girls have been selected to compete in Athletics as representatives

of Uttarakhand:

 Arshiya Garg

 Jhanvi Garg

Kudos Girls!



This year's Teachers' Day was beyond memorable. The morning assembly was dedicated solely to the teachers during which we shared laughter and indulged in music and dance, with certain teachers remarking that it was, 'the best teachers' day that has ever taken place in Hopetown.' This year's Teachers' Day gave the girls of Hopetown another chance to remind our esteemed members of staff that their patience and perseverance is never undervalued.

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*"A good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to LIGHT the way for others!"*

*- Giovanni Ruffini*



# RMPAC

TUNE MY HEART TO SING THY GRACE



**THE WORLD IS A COMPLICATED PLACE, AND THERE'S A LOT OF DIVISION BETWEEN PEOPLE. THE PERFORMING ARTS TEND TO UNIFY PEOPLE IN A WAY NOTHING ELSE DOES.**

Every year, on 27th September, Hopetown organizes Ramamurthi Memorial Performing Arts Competition, in the memory of our former principal Mrs. Vijaya Ramamurthy. Mrs. Ramamurthy became a part of Hopetown in the very early years of the school when Hopetown only had three hostel buildings and about a hundred and fifty girls. Ma'am had a keen interest in the field of performing arts and during her tenure, Hopetown prospered as one of the best girls' schools in Dehradun.

"It was a thrilling experience to see these little ones participating and enjoying themselves."  
-Rekha Tomar  
(Senior School Coordinator)

The instrument chosen for this years RMPAC was PIANO. Two schools participated in the competition in which The Doon School secured the first position followed by Welham Girls' School. Aarna Jha represented Hopetown Girls' School.

RMPAC encourages students from all schools to come and showcase their talents in the fields of performing arts.

-Niyati Agarwal



# INTER-CLASS PLAY

8th September

"LITERATURE IS THE IMMORTALITY OF SPEECH"

Students of Junior School participated in the Inter Class Play based on the theme 'High School.' The actors left the crowd in awe. Their expressions and costumes were indeed praiseworthy.



## ACTING IS MAGICAL

"Change you look and your attitude, and you can be anyone."



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