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INTER HOUSE SCIENCE GEP

On 11th of August, an Inter-House GEP took place at Hopetown Girls' School. The theme of the GEP was 'Science & Design'. Each House was provided with different topics. The topics were - *Space Probe Lander, Reflection, Gliders, and Jaurads*. Each House was informed about their respective topics two weeks before the event, and were expected to create a model and make an I- movie related to their respective topics. For *Reflection*, Ruby House students demonstrated angles and reflection through mirrors. Diamond House was expected to make a model of a glider using loops created from an A-4 sized sheet and straws only. Space probe lander means an unmanned spacecraft designed to explore the solar system and transmit data back to Earth. Sapphire House was supposed to create a space probe with a rounded bottom and make it land without any disturbance. Emerald House created the Lego house, in which they made a roof to stop the wind and they also made some space by adding two gates in the house for air ventilation. Also the roof of the house was slanting so that rain water does not get collected on the roof. The winner position was bagged by Sapphire House who created their own Space Probe lander. The event was extremely beneficial and educational.



-Tanisha Mahendru

SCIENCE ISN'T ABOUT WHY, IT'S ABOUT WHY NOT!

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KARATE

examination

This time the karate examination was held on 12th of August. 21 students bagged Yellow Belt, 13 girls received Yellow I Belt, 3 students were awarded Green Belt, 8 students received Green I Belt, 5 students received Brown Belts, 3 students received Brown I Belt and one got Brown II Belt.

Karate is martial art which was founded in East Asia and slowly evolved over a period of centuries. It became a systematic martial art form in a small island of Japan named Okinawa in 17th century. For me, it is not just a sport but a tool that motivates me to keep moving forward in life.

In this world where we are open to so many dangers and threats it is important for us to at least know some techniques to protect ourselves. Karate taught me how to respond to a dangerous situation. It has given me self confidence. I never thought that one day, I would be holding a Brown Belt in my hand.

When I look at my karate belt, I always think about those extremely tiring never ending practises, but now I have realised that those practises were actually worth it. Now I am not afraid of hard work because in the end it's going to be me having that pride to walk in the middle of the foyer in front of everybody and receive my own black belt.

We as a group have learnt a lot and done a lot, from punching on focus-pads to breaking tiles on the annual sports day. It is not just becoming a brown or even a black belt but about building confidence. When I put my karate belt on, I feel so proud of all the hard work that I have done. In this wonderful journey, I have made good friends and wonderful memories. My instructor taught me how to be a good leader and also the true meaning of the phrase "no pain, no gain". Ma'am taught us how to step out of our comfort zone and do something for ourselves.

As a beginner I always wondered, what it would be like to stand in front of everybody with that 'BLACK BELT' on and now I am just a few steps away from my destiny. I thank my teachers and seniors for believing in me and making me who I am today. I am really waiting for my next karate examination to learn more.



Design Championship is an Inter School competition held across India in eight cities-Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Madurai, Coimbatore and Kochi. It encourages the students to think out of the box and prepares them for the future. The event aims at finding creative solutions to modern day problems. The overall outcome is a development in problem solving and design thinking.

Students from all over India are eligible to participate in the completion. 13 girls from our school participated and won 1st position in MOVIE MAKING category, out of 207 entries as a part of Industrial Design.

Design championship has been diverse yet a fun forum of learning as students get exposed to collaboration and communication.

-PUNEYA SACHDEVA

A photograph of a person in a blue soccer jersey and black shorts, captured in the middle of kicking a yellow and blue soccer ball on a grassy field. In the background, there is a white soccer goal and other people on the field, suggesting an active game or practice session.

INTER HOUSE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Inter House football is a much awaited event for Hopetavians. It is where you see them stretching, dribbling, drenched in sweat, planning strategies even at the last minute of the game. It is where the ending is more pulsating than the beginning.

This year, Ruby and Sapphire were one step away from holding the trophy. But as rightly said, 'not everyone can be a winner.' After an hour of heated stases, failures of strategies and last minute goals, Ruby House was declared the winner of the Inter- House Football Championship.

-Nehalpreet Kaur Kathuria

DS-MUN



The Doon School Model United Nations is one of the most prestigious International MUNs of the country. Students from Hopetown Girls' School attended the 12th edition of the DSMUN this year. They were delegates in committees such as the "Disarmament and International Security Committee" where they discussed the "Non- Proliferation Treaty and the Full Disclosure of Nuclear Weapons" and the "International Atomic Energy Agency" where they reviewed the "Iran Nuclear Deal." The event brought out the diplomats in them and crisis kept them thinking on their toes. It was truly an enriching experience and gave us an opportunity to interact with others and make memories for a lifetime.



-Mahii Madan



VICE COUNCIL INVESTITURE

On the 30th of August, Hopetown welcomed its newest Vice Council for the academic year of 2018-2019. Sixteen worthy members of Grade 11 were given various responsibilities at the badging ceremony by the Senior Council. With their chins up, they stood with a sense of great pride and fervour as they vowed to treat their position with respect and determination. What was invested in them that afternoon comprised more than just responsibility - it also comprised the expectations of the faculty, the council, and the rest of the school. We hope, that they

fulfil their duties to the best of their abilities and make the school proud.

- Anushka Arora





UNDER 15 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

In the month of August, 10 students from the U-15 Basketball category participated in the *U-15 District Basketball Tournament* held at Parade Ground in Dehradun. After a series of interesting matches, they were awarded the runners up trophy. Mehvish Manzoorwani of Grade X also got recognised as the best player.

-Jaya Dewan

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