



DOON SCHOOL

SRINAGAR

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NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL ANTHEM

Amidst the rivers that gently flow,
And mountains tall, where eagles soar.
In valleys green, where nature thrives,
Our Doon School, where greatness resides.

Oh, Doon School, our hearts are true,
We stand together, strong and blue.
With courage high and spirits bright,
We'll conquer challenges, with all our might.

In this heaven, where birds take flight,
We seek knowledge, our beacon of light.
In every classroom, wisdom's voice,
Guiding us onward, to make the choice.

Through flowing rivers and mountains grand,
We'll strive for greatness, hand in hand.
Inspired by nature's beauty profound,
In unity and harmony, we are bound.

From valleys deep to peaks above,
Our Doon School, a place we love.
With resilience as our guiding star,
We'll face the world, no matter how far.

Oh, Doon School, forever we'll be,
United by knowledge, proud and free.
In rivers, mountains, birds, and valleys wide,
Our spirit shall soar, with a lasting stride.



A DAY OF SHARING AND HOPE AT DOON SCHOOL, SRINAGAR



Doon School Srinagar welcomed students from Al Irshad Educational Trust, Shutloo, as part of an outreach initiative led by Chairman Mr. Showkat Hussain Khan to promote equal educational opportunities across Kashmir.

Computers were distributed to bridge the digital divide, and Mr. Khan reaffirmed his commitment to opening the school’s facilities to all children – fostering learning, growth, and hope for a brighter tomorrow.

A JOYFUL PRESENTATION BY OUR LITTLE DOONIANS



Our young Doonians presented a lively and heartwarming show filled with creativity and positive values.

The event began with Asma-ul-Husna and an inspiring address by the Honourable Chairman. Performances like PretendiaParada, Nakhre Dance, Magic Dance, and Dreamers beautifully conveyed messages of kindness, hope, and togetherness. The program ended with a cheerful finale and a Vote of Thanks by the Principal.



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS EVENT 2025

Doon School Srinagar hosted the Mental Health Awareness Event 2025 to promote empathy and understanding of mental well-being.

Distinguished guests from SKIMS and IMHANS delivered inspiring talks, while students presented a skit, choir, and dance on positivity and self-acceptance. The event reflected the school’s commitment to emotional and academic growth.



INVESTITURE CEREMONY AT DOON SCHOOL SRINAGAR



Doon School Srinagar held its Investiture Ceremony with pride and dignity. The event featured the Flag Hoisting by the

Chairman, oath-taking by new council members, and inspiring speeches by the Head Boy and Head Girl. The Chairman and Principal reminded

students that true leadership means responsibility and integrity. The ceremony ended with a vibrant performance of "Believer."

SCHOOL PICNIC TO GULMARG



Students from Grades IV to XII enjoyed a fun-filled picnic to Gulmarg, filled with laughter, friendship, and adventure.

From the cheerful bus ride to the final group photo, it was a joyful day shared by students and teachers alike — a true Doon School family outing.

The day was a beautiful reminder that the best lessons often come from moments spent together.



EDUCATIONAL VISIT ON WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

The Senior Secondary Wing of Doon School, in collaboration with the Government Psychiatric Disease Hospital, organized an educational visit for Grades 9-12 to promote mental health awareness. Students explored psychiatric wards to understand mental health care and reduce stigma.

An interactive session with experts addressed issues like stress, anxiety, and depression, fostering empathy and responsibility towards mental well-being.



LEARNING INDEPENDENCE AT DOON SCHOOL SRINAGAR



At Doon School Srinagar, young learners in the LPD wing are taught independence, discipline, and responsibility from an early age. Inspired by the Japanese model, they

learn to clean, fold clothes, mop, and maintain hygiene. With teachers' guidance, they dress neatly and polish their shoes with pride. These simple tasks

nurture self-reliance, mindfulness, and respect for the dignity of work – showing that at Doon, education is truly a way of life.

CAREER COUNSELLING BY NIFT SRINAGAR



Doon School Srinagar hosted a career counselling session by NIFT Srinagar, introducing students to opportunities in fashion and design. Students from Grades IX to XII learned about courses,

admissions, and career prospects. The Honourable Chairman's encouraging words inspired them to explore creative paths beyond conventional careers.

FUN FIESTA 2025 AT Doon School, Srinagar



Doon School Srinagar came alive with colour and excitement during its Fun Fiesta 2025.

Inaugurated by the Honourable Chairman and Principal, the event featured games, food stalls, music, and

fun-filled activities for all. From creative corners to thrilling rides, the day was full of joy and teamwork, perfectly reflecting the spirit of Doon School Srinagar.



INTER-DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT (U-14 GIRLS)

At the UT-level Inter-District Table Tennis Tournament held at M.A. Stadium, Jammu, Doon School's Maheem Ajaz represented District Srinagar with exceptional skill and determination. After a series of strong performances, she reached the finals, where Srinagar secured the runner-up position. The school proudly congratulates Maheem for her outstanding achievement and sportsmanship.



ANNUAL SPORTS DAY 2025

- LPD WING



Doon School Srinagar celebrated its Annual Sports Day 2025 with great enthusiasm and sportsmanship.

Graced by distinguished guests, the event featured colourful performances, fun races, and lively parent activities.



Students showcased teamwork and energy through drills, dances, and yoga. Winners were honoured with medals, and Chairman Mr. Showkat

Hussain Khan applauded the efforts of all, celebrating the true spirit of Fitness, Fun & Friendship.



IN THE NEWS

FRONTIERS OF SCIENCE

Nobel Assembly at the KarolinskaInstitutet announced the 2025 Medicine/Physiology prize on October 6 for research uncovering how regulatory T-cells prevent autoimmunity.

3I/ ATLAS — a rare interstellar comet — is due to pass near the Sun and Earth on October 29, offering scientists a unique chance to study material from beyond our solar system.

A series of four consecutive supermoons will begin with the October 6 full moon (the Harvest Moon) and continue through January 2026.

SOCIETY AND POLICY

NITI Aayog warns India risks falling behind in the global AI talent race unless the academic and research ecosystem is strengthened.

The National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT) signs an MoU with a non-profit to bolster India’s cybercrime research, training and policy infrastructure.

The government of Karnataka unveils a roadmap to build a \$20 billion quantum economy by 2035, inviting global collaboration and investment.

LITERARY LIGHTS

Almora Literature Festival 2025: “Himalayan stories to take centre stage at Almora lit fest” — a festival celebrating regional literature in the Kumaon hills of Uttarakhand.

“In a first, 450 poems of Indian tribal poets compiled” — a landmark anthology collecting poems from 400-plus tribal poets across India, translated into Hindi and English.

“László Krasznahorkai wins the Nobel Prize in Literature 2025: honour given for ‘visionary’ work in midst of ‘apocalyptic terror’” — global literature news affecting the Indian literary sphere.

India hosts SCO Young Authors’ Conference on cultural bonds in digital age

The 2nd Biennial SCO Young Authors’ Conference took place in New Delhi, focusing on the theme of creativity in the digital age.

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

India national cricket team vs West Indies national cricket team – 2nd Test Day 1: YashasviJaiswal unbeaten on 173 as India piled up 318/2 at stumps.

India vs West Indies – 2nd Test Day 3: West Indies’ batters fight back with a big partnership of Hope and Campbell, denying India an early finish.

Virat Kohli & Rohit Sharma equal the milestone of Sachin Tendulkar & Rahul Dravid for most matches played together for India across formats.

THE WORLD OF TRADE

India’s crude-oil imports from the US surged to ~540,000 barrels/ day in October, the highest since 2022 — seen as part of diversification away from Russian oil and easing trade tensions with the US.

The country is in “advanced stages” of trade negotiations with both the European Union and the United States, according to Piyush Goyal.

Indian refiners made rare purchases of crude oil from Guyana, marking a shift in crude-supply trade flows and the beginning of new sourcing relationships.



HEALTH & SAFETY

OCTOBER EDITION

As the weather shifts in October, it's important to stay mindful of both physical and mental well-being. Seasonal changes can bring allergies, colds, and fatigue, so maintaining good hygiene, staying hydrated, and eating vitamin-rich foods can help strengthen immunity.

With shorter days, ensure proper lighting at home and on roads to prevent accidents, and remember to use reflective gear if commuting after dark. Mental health also deserves attention—balance your routine with rest, outdoor activity, and social connection.

A little care and caution this month can go a long way in keeping everyone safe, healthy, and energized for the season ahead.

- Huda (XI)



CREATIVE CORNER

LYRICAL PIECES

AUTUMN CARE



Crisp winds whisper, days grow small,
Leaves like lanterns start to fall.
Wrap in warmth, take time to rest,
Health and calm—our autumn's best.



SAFETY FIRST

Step with care where shadows play,
Bright minds keep the dark away.
Healthy hearts and steady feet,
Make October safe and sweet.

Haadi Dar (XI)

CHRONICLES

THE WARM SCARF

Riya forgot her scarf one chilly October morning and caught a cold by evening. The next day, her friend brought her a bright red scarf, saying,

“Health is warmth too.” Since then, Riya never leaves without it—and never forgets that small care keeps you strong.



THE SLIPPERY STEP

Arjun was rushing down wet stairs after the rain and nearly slipped—but a handrail saved him.

He realized safety isn't about luck, it's about habits. From that day, he reminded everyone: “Hold the rail, save the fall.”

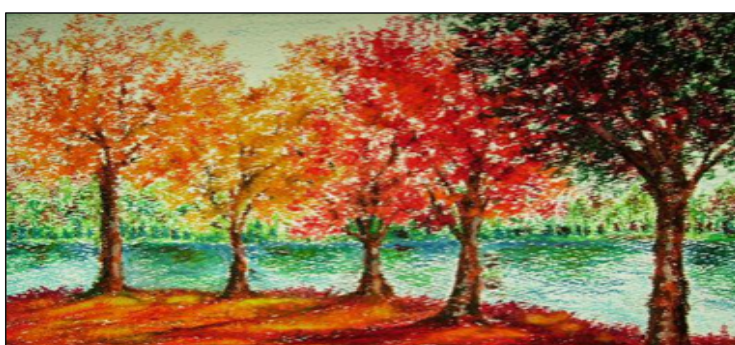
THE SCREEN BREAK

Maya studied for hours without rest until her eyes burned and head throbbed. Her mom suggested a short walk.

Ten minutes of fresh air later, she felt refreshed. Now, Maya takes breaks often—because caring for your body keeps your mind sharp too.

- Misba (XI)

ART GALLERY





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