

DOON INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

D E H R A D U N

"School comes from the Greek word for leisure-leisure in which to learn, a place where students and teachers can flower, a place where a future generation can be prepared, because schools are meant for that, not just merely to turn out human beings as mechanical, technological instruments; but also flower as human beings, without fear, without confusion, with great integrity."

J. KRISHNAMURTI



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Prospectus



Director's Welcome...

Dear Parent,

Thank you for showing interest in admitting your child to Doon International School. Nothing is more important than the choice of the right school for your child and this Prospectus provides you with a glimpse of what our school has to offer.

We believe that Doon International School offers an educational experience like no other to our children and will give them the qualifications and confidence they will need to play a leading role in tomorrow's society. We constantly endeavour to provide our students with a learning environment in which they have numerous opportunities to excel and also distinguish themselves in academics and a range of co-curricular and extra curricular activities.

Come, let us hold hands so that we create opportunities and provide an environment for children to learn way they best can; help them become emotionally strong, acquire skills, develop a passion and penchant for excellence in any area of their calling; so that tomorrow they stand tall, with confidence to be seen and heard, and be counted amongst those who can confidently state, "Yes, I can".

M. K. Mann
(Director Education)



Introduction

Doon International School is a day and residential, senior secondary school, located in the Doon Valley and is in fact and in spirit, an International School, catering to the needs of students from all parts of the world. It prepares students according to the standards prevailing in various countries, including India. The courses of study as well as norms of achievement in every field are aimed at preparing them for educational qualifications acceptable throughout the world. The curriculum for the school students is based on syllabi laid down by the reputed Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi, commonly known as the C.B.S.E.



The Doon Valley

The Doon Valley, from which Dehra Dun derives its name (Dehra or Dera means a settlement) is one of the loveliest meadows in the world, surrounded in the north by the mighty Himalyas and on all the other sides by the Shiwalik range. It is famous for being the ideal town for educational and research institutions, housing various prestigious international and national institutions. Dehradun is also the capital city of Uttarakhand state. It has the ideal natural backdrop for nascent minds and growing children, providing them an ideal, quiet, serene and disciplined environment. Its quiet, natural surroundings and salubrious climate provide the ideal location for study and growth of young, developing minds. Its premier educational institutions, on the other hand, promote a healthy and encouraging atmosphere of learning.

Location

The school complex is housed in palatial buildings located on Curzon Road and Mohini Road in the heart of Dehradun's garden township Dalanwala and in the close vicinity of Welham Boys and Girls School. The serene surrounding of the school campus provide the children a conducive atmosphere for study and recreation, ideal for the growth of their all round personality. The school is very centrally situated and is only 3 kms from the railway station and 7 kms from the Inter State Bus Terminal. The road from Jolly Grant Airport also leads straight to the school (Refer location guide map). The school is accessible by air, road and rail links from all metropolitan cities in India and is located at a distance of 250 kms from the national capital, New Delhi. A daily flight, several trains and buses link New Delhi and Dehradun. Flight and train timings information is available on the website of the respective airlines and the Indian railways.

The School Philosophy

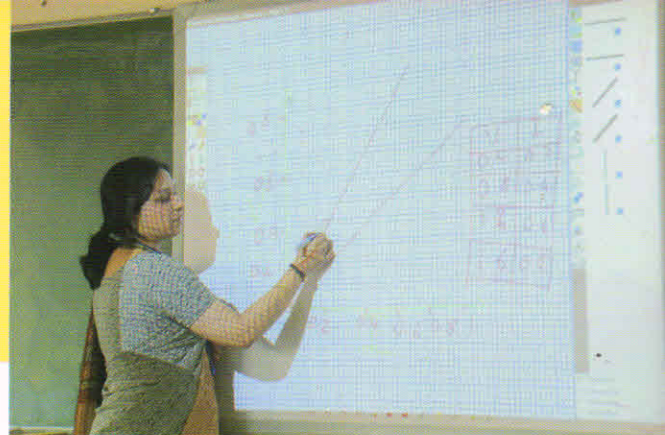
Doon International School aims primarily at the education of young children without distinction of cast and creed through the play way and other modern methods of imparting education, in order to eradicate from their minds the fear of going to school or sitting for examinations. It is a Boarding and Day School for both boys and girls. Its object is to help them grow up as good and useful members of society. The course of studies is international in its scope and ambit and includes varied subjects like English, Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu, French, Punjabi, Mathematics, Sciences, History, Geography, Information Technology, Arts and Crafts, Music and Dance, Physical Education etc.

The School is run by a registered, educational, non commercial, non profit society consisting of committed educationists and social workers of long standing and high repute. There is a general atmosphere of involvement, dedication and solicitude in all spheres. The school philosophy encourages the students to become global citizens. The highly qualified and trained staff not only implements the curriculum but also generates an enthusiasm for learning and a questioning critical disposition.



Academics

Doon International School has a broad based curriculum which anticipates the increasing range of opportunities for the bright future of the children. We nurture children to be responsible adults and outstanding leaders who will make useful contributions to the society.



The School Programme

At the Doon International School, interaction with the children is a round the clock engagement. In case of boarders, it is a school as well as their home and place of recreation and rest. The programme is so devised as to keep them occupied in worthwhile activities in order to develop their personality and character. Hence a large number of co-curricular and extra curricular activities are an integral part of the school programme.

The Day's Routine...

The daily routine begins with their early morning chores, after which the children assemble for the morning physical training. This is followed by an hour of preparatory classes, to prepare for whatever they have to study during the day. A refreshing breakfast, and the school assembly is followed by the regular class room schedule. This consists of 40 minute periods interspersed by a lunch recess and a tea

break. The actual number of class room periods may vary from class to class depending upon the age group of the students. Lunch is followed by an afternoon nap, after which the seniors carry on with their studies. The tea break is followed by the hobby period during which each child is encouraged to try his/her hand at a favourite creative activity. Then follow the school sports, evening prep, dinner and self study time again before it is time for lights out. Leisure activities, yes, but the schedule of the school does not permit free time for mischief or misconduct.



Classes/Semesters

The school is from Play Group to Class XII and has all the optional courses of classes XI and XII including Medical, Engineering and Commerce. The school year is from April to March divided into two terms, as per the pattern prevalent in most English medium public schools.



Creative Skills

We believe that creative achievement creates a confident human with great self worth and esteem. Music and theater, pottery and painting, crafting models are not extra-curricular activities; they are co-curricular activities integrated into their course of study to let the children understand how all learning is interconnected- baking with Chemistry, bowling with Physics, music with Mathematics.....



Personality Development

Students grow in various directions; their interests are kindled by various stimuli; their awareness expands in direct proportion to multi dimensional exposures directed at them. Recognising this, debates, quizzes, competitions, exhibitions are all organized to build an interest and awareness in what is happening in the world around them and equip them with the required confidence and ability.



Games & Sports

In order to keep the children fit in mind and body, each child is required to participate in one or more games and/or sports, specially in those in which he /she excels. The school has arrangements for regular sports practice in all popular sports such as Badminton, Cricket, Hockey, Football, Table Tennis, Athletics, Basketball, Skating etc. The school also provides facilities for horse riding and training in body building and self defence activities and martial arts such as Judo Karate, Taekwondo, Yoga and long distance running.



Educational Tours and Outings

The school considers educational tours, treks and outings as an integral part of a child's complete education. It is deemed desirable that all children participate in tours, treks and outings organized at the school level twice a year in order to inculcate in them sensitivity towards the environment, geographical diversity and ways of living of people of various regions, and familiarize them to their ancient and modern culture and civilization. The school tours not only open the nascent minds to the wider world but also help expose them to different and diverse ways of life, thus developing in them a broad outlook. In addition to the two long mid term excursions, the school regularly organizes weekend picnics and excursions for the school students.



School Calendar

The School follows the regular academic pattern of premier public schools. The School's annual programme is as follows.

Session starts	:	1st week of April
Session ends	:	Mid- May
Summer Vacation	:	Mid May to Early-July
Second session	:	Upto Mid-December
Winter Vacation	:	Mid-Dec. to Jan. end
Session ends	:	31st March



International Focus

At the time of its inception, the founders of the Doon International School felt the need to create an educational institution that is truly 'International' in all aspects, an institution that would fulfil the needs of not just resident Indians, but also those residing outside India.

The school believes that the positive aspects of Indian culture, tradition and values must be imbibed in all our children in their formative years. It was therefore felt that Doon International School, amongst other areas of focus, should also aim at providing complete, quality education to children of parents who reside in other countries. Several initiatives have since been taken and Doon International School now provides an attractive alternative to school students who opt to undertake their studies in India.

The school currently has students from several parts of the world including the U.S., U.K., Canada, Thailand, the Middle East, Nepal etc. This diversity amongst students helps them to be aware of different countries, their cultures and inculcates in them the spirit of brotherhood and unity in diversity. School students benefit from the multi cultural, multi racial student body, which contributes immensely to the learning experience at the Doon International School.

Some of the salient features are:

- A school campus situated in the picturesque Doon Valley with facilities that compare well with educational institutions in the rest of the world.
- The option of learning additional Indian languages, music, traditional dances, and also the study of religions.
- Curricula based on the guidelines provided by the universally accepted Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi.
- Facilities of additional coaching and tuition classes for new students from abroad in order to help them adjust to the system of education in India. Students desirous of continuing their further studies abroad are also provided special coaching classes for taking exams like SAT, TOEFL etc.
- Access to e-mail and Internet facilities so that the children can stay in regular touch with their parents.
- Airport pick up and drop facilities on arrival and departure for both National and International students by the school.



Important Tips

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- » The School takes the responsibility to inform the Parents/Guardians about the wards academics, health, or behavior and conduct at regular intervals.
- » The School authorities are at full discretion to suspend/terminate the child from the school on disciplinary or academic grounds.
- » Keeping of cash/ valuables, jewellery, mobile phones or any other electronic item is strictly prohibited.
- » In case the child is caught keeping any prohibited article, it shall be confiscated and given for charity.
- » Parents are requested not to oblige any staff member, teaching or non teaching by giving gifts in cash or kind.
- » Punctuality in reporting the child in time to school after vacation must be strictly adhered to failing which a fine of Rs. 500/- per day shall be levied.
- » The School has a well equipped library so no books except for books on general awareness and course books are permitted.
- » Wholesome, nourishing veg and non-veg food is provided, hence parents are requested not to give extra tuck to their children.
- » Request for additional help for any subject must be given in writing to the Dean of the school.
- » Birthday parties are organised for all children at the parents' expense in the school.
- » Phone calls to students are allowed only on Sundays or holidays.

- » No child shall be permitted to meet visitors during school hours/working days unless prior permission of the Principal has been taken.



Extra Tuition/Remedial Classes

Extra tuition may be given during the school year to students in subjects in which they are found weak. For the sake of continuity, students must be coached during summer and winter vacations at home. A child failing twice in the same class during his/her stay in the school, will not be permitted to continue his or her studies at the school. To sustain and promote their emotional well-being, the school encourages children to write to their parents once every fortnight, preferably on a Saturday. Parents are also requested to correspond with their children regularly.

Health Tips



All students must submit a certificate of fitness awarded by a consultant physician, which should include important laboratory investigations, the report being awarded by a qualified D.C.P. or M.D. (Pathology). The Medical Certificate should confirm that the child has not been in contact with any contagious disease within three weeks prior to joining school. All students must also get a clearance certificate from a dentist (B.D.S. or M.D.S.) and if the ward has dental problems, the same must be corrected before the student reports back. Students must get a thorough optical check up done by an Ophthalmologist and if

spectacles are prescribed, the same may be obtained before the ward is admitted to the school. The parents may ensure that the ward is vaccinated as per schedule recommended by WHO. If for any reason, the ward is not vaccinated for the same, the fact must be brought to the notice of the school authorities, so that arrangement may be made for the vaccination without delay. Primary vaccinations, and status of Boosters must also be intimated.

Parents will be required to withdraw a child who is a bed wetter. Students who are under any prolonged line of treatment, must bring along a detailed summary and prescription by the treating doctor, enabling the school doctor to take charge of the same. No medicines or tonics may be handed over to the students directly, as it may pose a hazard to others. *The parents/guardians are hereby understood to have agreed not to have any objection to their child/ward being offered emergency help of surgery - as may be advised by the concerned doctor.* Medicines, medical certificates, reports, prescriptions, are to be handed over to the Matron or sister-in-charge of the dispensary. The children are weighed regularly, and the diet is constantly reviewed, inspected and revised.



Fee Regulations

General Regulations

Fees for the first year is payable in advance and from the second year may be paid in two installments Statement of Dues is issued towards the end of September and March and is to be honoured within 15 days of receipt of bills, failing which late fee is levied. Recurring expenses borne by the child on items not covered in the Fee Schedule attached, will be an additional cost to the students.

- Fees are charged from the 1st of April, whether the student joins on the date or not. Fees are payable for the entire year irrespective of the fact that a student stayed or studied in the school/school hostel for a part of the session.
- Please counsel and prepare you ward before making him/her join the hostel so that he/she is not tenuous in his/her adjustment in the hostel.
- *As the availability of the seats is limited, the school shall not refund the fee in case of any withdrawal in mid session.*
- Late comers shall be fined an amount of Rs. 500/- per day.
- Students will not be allowed to return to school after the vacations, unless the accounts for previous school term has been settled in full. No reduction is allowed for broken periods. All dues must be cleared before the child leaves the school.
- The school reserves the right to initiate legal action to recover outstanding dues, from parents who withdraw their child from school without clearing outstanding payments.
- All disputes will be subject to the jurisdiction of Dehradun courts only.



- Permission to attend special functions at home shall not be usually granted, as a safeguard both for the sake of health and study.
- Parents may visit or take their children out, for a maximum of two outings a month on Sundays and Holidays. Only one Night Outing a Month is Permitted on last Weekend of the Month. Children can be picked on Friday after school and must return to school latest by 6.30 p.m on Sunday. Besides parents, no other relatives will be permitted to take the child out for the night.
- Parents are requested to discourage frequent visits and outings, as the child will then take very long to settle down and concentrate on his/her studies.
- When permitted to go out, children must be accompanied by their parents or by some duly authorized person. On their return they must report to the Matron/House Master.
- No student will be allowed out with friends or relations unless a written permission from the parents is available.
- Letters of Authorization should be written on official letter head paper with complete details.
- No child will be allowed to go out with a brother or sister studying in other local schools.
- *A child admitted as a Boarder student will under no circumstances be permitted to convert to a Day Scholar /Day Boarder in the middle of the academic session. Different set of rules & regulations will apply to admission of day scholars.*



Withdrawals

Doon International School aims at excellence in all spheres connected with educating and bringing up children. We are confident that except for purely personal or family reasons a child will not be withdrawn till he/she has completed schooling. But in case it becomes imperative to withdraw a child, it may be done subject to the applicable rules and regulations.



No withdrawals are ordinarily permitted during mid session, except in special circumstances. No refunds will be allowed, nor deductions made in fees and dues payable as per fee Regulations. Three months advance notice in writing shall be required if a parent wishes not to send the child for the following session. Ordinarily, such notices should reach the school not later than 31st December of the year preceding that in which the child is sought to be withdrawn. It will be assumed that the parent has given consent for the enrolment of the child for the next year and accommodation will be reserved for him/her accordingly and no one else will be allocated that accommodation under any circumstances.

In such an event, the parents will be liable to pay for the entire next school term even if the child does not attend school. Applications for refund of Caution Money must reach the school office not later than 31st December of the year in which the child last attended the school. The same shall be processed and cheques for refunds will reach the parents within three months.



School Song

Where comes the dawn of knowledge
And excellence is the rule
It's Doon International School
That's Doon International School

Where minds are free from fear
and heads are ever high
Where learning has no bounds
And vision is broad as sky
Where all are one and equal
Like waves in a sea or pool
It's Doon International School
Yes! Doon International School

Where confidence is built
Service with honour taught
Honesty is the faith
Perfection is in thoughts
Where greater heights are reached
Hard work is the only tool
It's Doon International School

We are the country's future
We'll bring true every dream
We pledge to dedicate
To make India supreme
We stand all hand in hand
Let wind blow hot or cool
It's Doon International School
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