EDITORIAL

Living in this atrocious world is difficult, because we need to fight to find our way to peace, we need to rise and make everyone believe that we are strong and are capable of looking after ourselves. It has been 73 years since India gained independence and a lot has changed. The ideologies, beliefs, and outlook of the people have undergone a drastic change due to the emergence of some specific political parties all over India.

The great Indian leaders who helped us achieve the most desirable goal of Indians that was freedom, taught us a valuable lesson that was non violence. The Father of our Nation Mohandas Karam Chand Gandhi was of the opinion that non violence is the best weapon of all, a weapon that attacks not physically but spiritually, a weapon that accentuates on the goodness of a person and a weapon that vehemently disheartens the person using it from the enemy. It is this weapon that makes a person superior to the other.

Attacking and defending are often considered to be analogous to each other, however we need to understand that to defend we need to adopt violence. On the other hand when we attack, we become violent. If we are able to draw a difference between these two, then we have definitely learned from our “Father”. Printing his face on the currency is of no use, if we as citizens of his nation do not follow his principles.

India has been taking a lot of price for its aggressive nature against her enemies, for the past few years. We as citizens of India truly understand that the actions of the enemies cannot be justified but what we did accentuate on the fact that we are no different from them, for we need to remember that hating someone is not going to solve the problems, but going to create new ones. This was the belief of Gomtiji who vehemently stated “you shall not hate the evil doer but the evil alone”.

After all these years, maybe it’s time to change our ideologies, beliefs and maybe even the leaders we believe in.

-Arbab Badar Khan, 12 B & Saransh Alexander Kumar, 12 A

CAMPUS ROUNDDUP

The boys came back relaxed and rejuvenated from their summer vacations on the 8th of July, for a series of events which started from the 13th of July. The Bastille Day was celebrated, for which a French Assembly was conducted by the students. It was followed by a series of Inter House Competitions commencing from the 15th of July. The Inter house Debate and an Inter House Spelling Bee competition, were held on the 15th of July for the Senior and Cots Division respectively. On the 22nd of July, the prestigious Martin Memorial Debate was held in La Martiniere Girls’ College. A team of four represented our College and were pitted against La Martiniere Girls’ College. The crowd was very enthusiastic and the Auditorium echoed with cheers by our fellow Martiniarians. Although the Martin Memorial Debate was won by La Martiniere Girls’ College, the boys’ effort was commendable. Following the Martin Memorial Debate, the 6th edition of the Claude Martin Debates took place on the 25th of July in which numerous prestigious schools from across the country participated. On the 27th of July, the Bouleone Life Quiz was held which was an Inter School Quiz competition with participants from across India. The excitement among the audience as well as the participants was remarkable an immeasurable.

-Darsh Oswal, 12-E

BOARDING HOUSE CALLING

With the month of July blooming, the boys returned back to the college. The class 11 boy’s also rejoined us hoping for a fresh start. Some of the pups were left out while some luckily got admissions.

The Claude Martin debate and Bouleone Life quiz were held during this month.

The Boarding House Senior Mohammad led the boys in the Martin Memorial Debate held at the La Martiniere Girls’ College. We don’t know what has happened to Shashwat Gupta but he is always found listening to sad songs. There is no more boredom as Farzhan Wahab is back in college.

The parade on Independence Day was outstanding, with finally no errors this time by former boarder Adarsh Verma. With the exams approaching, Dwas Jayswal is studying every second he gets, being while eating, changing and even while playing. I hope all the boys get this serious about their studies.

-Adnan Ansari, 12-E

OBITUARY

Mr. Guzrez Deen, a former music teacher of our school, passed away on the 14th August, 2019. La Martiniere College extends its condolences to his family.

A GLIMPSE INTO OUR HEARTS

“Remember to celebrate milestones as you prepare for the road ahead.” - Nelson Mandela

A hundred and fifty years have passed since the establishment of La Martiniere’s College and to honour the magnificence of its age and splendour, we have the sesquicentennial celebrations. As children bubble over the ecstasy and enthusiasm, we prepare to leave no stone unturned to unfold the grandeur of this institution in all its beauty. From decking our buildings in sun-kissed shades of gold to bring the first establishment with an elliptical, advanced and 1,000 seater auditorium, the celebrations are breathtaking. Every leaf shed by the trees in the campus shall witness our reverence to the Amity. Uniting generations of Martinians—plays, musical nights, concerts, swimming and basketball tournaments are only some of the festivities. Special attractions include a show by Sharon Prabhakar and the Golden Jubilee of the Gandhi Corner, which will be celebrated in the month of Mahatma Gandhi’s birth.

We only wish for happiness and magic to colour as many lives as possible for a brighter and brighter tomorrow.

“As Martinian bells of festivity chime, All shall stand still, even time, To witness our grandeur and age, Paying homage to our heritage,”

Vive La Martiniere.

-The Editorial Board

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INTER-HOUSE DEBATES

The Junior and Senior Inter-house Debates were held from the 15th of July to the 5th of August. With effortless delivery and improved arguments, they stimulated an anticipating audience. Junior debates showcased many fluent speakers, with topics ranging from "Parents should be allowed to write the genes of their babies" and create them by design" to "Mining or steroids should be performed". Students from the middle school and classes 9 and 10 riveted the audience with their speeches. The worthy were acknowledged as "Best Speakers". In these debates, Hudson house took the lead by winning all three debates against the other houses. It was followed by Martin, Cornwallis and Lyons (with a decreasing number of debates won) in the second, third and fourth positions respectively. Senior debates were no less in brilliant articulations.

Members of the College debating team dominated the stage in their debates. Under their guidance, even new debaters performed exceptionally well for their houses. Some of the topics included "School education is a waste of time" and "Physical things do not define what is within". Even though few debates were postponed due to an external event, they did not let the enthusiasm of students for their houses fade. Cornwallis house came out as the winning house by triumphing over all the other three houses in each of its debates. The other houses (Hudson, Martin and Lyons) settled for a tie at the second position.

With the mounting years, La Martiniere is helping in the rise of the number of orators even more. The quality of arguments is improving, paralleling with the difficulty of topics.

-Perva Mehrotra, 12-C

ENTENTE 2019

ENTENTE is a collection of events held every year at La Martiniere Girls College, Lucknow. This year Entente had five clubs - Bee Jewel, Scientofab, Ataraxia, Cynosure and Eyecatch which organized different events which were held from the 19th to the 21st of July.

2019 saw over 1300 participants from all over the country.

Bee Jewel, comprising of a series of English language competitions, was won by Mount Carmel. Ataraxia and Cynosure containing events involving stage activity and photography was won by La Martiniere Girls College, Lucknow. Scientofab consisting of events for science enthusiasts was won by La Martiniere College, Lucknow. Cynosure involving contests requiring coding skills was won by Modern Academy. The runners up trophy for Entente 2019 was won by La Martiniere College, Lucknow. La Martiniere Girls' College, Lucknow were declared the winners. Being the host school, the trophy was passed onto the runners up, La Martiniere College, Lucknow.

-Perva Mehrotra & Udayan Aggarwal, 12-C
THE 6TH CLAUDE MARTIN DEBATES AND BOULINE LISE QUIZ

The 6th session of the Claude Martin Debates and Boulaine Lise Quiz was held from the 24th to the 27th of August in the college. The event was attended by 16 schools from all over the country, making it a national-level competition.

After 16 teams battled it out, it eventually came down to the two local Martiniere instututions to go against one another in the finals. La Martiniere College, Lucknow, whitewashed their way to the finals, after having won all the debates in their preliminary round, as well as their quarter final again La Martiniere College team B and some finals against Delhi Public School, Smugger.

Whereas, La Martiniere Girls College Lucknow only lost one debate in their Preliminary Round, that too to La Martiniere College, Lucknow, and then they went on to defeat Neeta Mrid Middi School, Jaipur in the quarter final and La Martiniere for Girls, Cuttarta in the semi finals to pave their way to the finals.

In the local affair between La Martiniere College, Lucknow and La Martiniere Girls College, Lucknow, the host school won the finals and were declared overall winners for the debate. Karti Ghati at La Martiniere Girls College, Lucknow, was declared the best speaker of the tournament.

The quiz was won by La Martiniere for Girls, Cuttarta, which ensured a total Martiniere clean sweep amidst all the schools of the country.

The event, hosted under the umbrella of "La Martiniere Extra - Curricular Organisation" was a great success.

-Harshvardhan Yadav, 12-A

THE PRICE OF NATIONALISM

UP’s new ordinance on colleges provides hope for regulated education and dismay for rationality and freedom of expression.

A few years ago our nation was in a great storm of anger, resentment and reactionary rhetoric, when Jawaharlal Nehru University student body was accused of organising an event that involved anti-national stigmatizing.

The UP government in an ordinance which provides for regulation of fees in colleges both public and private has also included clauses of the banning of anti-national activities within campuses. It has ordered colleges to ensure that such activities are not tolerated and events related to them are not conducted.

On the surface this appears to be an ordinance for the betterment of college education within the state and a move towards a more regulated environment. In reality, it is a step back. We are still far from the ideal situation of having good governance and regulatory structures that address the needs of students and faculty.

Opposition parties have already started voicing their concerns about the ordinance for "ideological apartheid" and "clamping down on freedom of expression".

Firstly we must analyze the case being cited to justify this ordinance. The infamous J.N.U sedition case is... actually not a case as we know that the Delhi Police’s FIR against the accused was rejected by the court.

The sensationalism behind this particular issue is completely unfounded. If there were strict guidelines given for Universities to determine what is anti-national, this issue would not have come up. Instead the UP government has only brought infamy to an otherwise perfectly alright institution, which could have without controversy brought structure and order to the state’s higher educational mechanism.

We must collectively ask for clarifications on these issues and do away with state-sponsored vagueness. The question is not of nationalism and anti-nationalism but is instead, ensuring that a government ordinance is not reduced to a gag order by virtue of the lack of clarity in its clauses.

-Rajveer Singh Bhish, 12 A

COLLEGE DIARY

- An inter school debate competition was held at the Bishop Cotton School, Shillim. La Martiniere College was represented by four boys who won all the debates in the competition.

- ISRO conducted a two week long program for students presently in Class 9, from the 12th of May to the 24th of May, 2019. Harsh Kapoor of Class 9-B from La Martiniere College, Lucknow was selected for this program and was awarded a gold medal.

- La Martiniere College was represented by Aniket Bajpai and Rajveer Singh Bish in the Frank Anthony Memorial All India Inter School Debate Competition, 2019 which was hosted by Lucknow Public School. About thirteen schools participated in this competition and LaMartiniere College was declared the overall winner.

- The NCC Air Wing camp was held at La Martiniere College, Lucknow from the 11th of June to the 20th of June, 2019. There were seventeen Air Wing cadets from La Martiniere College who were a part of the ten day camp. Aadit Vashisht was awarded a medal for his contribution to the cultural programme held during the camp.

- La Martiniere College won the Best Drill trophy. A special mention is also presented to La Martiniere College Lucknow for hosting the NCC camp by the Camp Commander.

- A special assembly to commemorate the Bastille Day was held at the First Terrance on the 13th of July.

- The French Editorial Board for the year 2019 was announced with Rayvant Tripathi as the Editor and Aayan Rizvi as the Co-Editor.

- Abul Kumar, class 10-C, represented India in the International Shooting Competition, which was held in Florence City, Germany in May 2019. He was awarded a silver medal in the mixed doubles event. In the individual event he came 8th.

- Ganit Kaira represented India at the 21st Dubai Open Chess Championship and 12th Mayors Cup 2019 and was placed 1st in the under-1600 Elo Category. He also represented India at the World Rapid and Blitz Chess Championships and National Under-17 Chess Championship and was placed 2nd overall.

- He has qualified to represent India at the World Rapid and Blitz Championship next year and will now be a part of the Indian Team at the World Youth Chess Championship, which will be held in Romania next year.

- GCSE UP and UK Regional Archery Championship was held in Kanpur on the 20th of July, 2019. Two boys won gold medals whereas five boys won silver and bronze medals in the competition.

- LaMartiniere College participated in the Enmale 2019 which was held at La Martiniere Girls College Lucknow from the 19th to the 20th of July. Boys from Preparatory, Junior, Middle and Senior school participated in this event.

- Cyclo Pals has been introduced in La Martiniere College, Lucknow under the expert guidance of Mr. Peter Hood.

-Arbaaz Badar Khan, 12 B
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