



# Scholastica Newsletter



First Term 2015-16

## Message from the Managing Director

To the Scholastica family,

Thanks to all the members of our Scholastica community for their support and hard work to make the beginning of this year a successful one. As usual, I have several new developments to report, which came into effect over last summer:

- A new Bangla workbook for the junior level students was developed by our Curriculum Development Unit, while some of the older titles like the Selected Poems series have been significantly upgraded and revised. In fact, students of Class VI to VIII will see a marked development in the poems books! In addition, our Introduction to Islam books are also being upgraded to make them more interactive and engaging. We work closely with our sister concern, Ignite Publications, to create or upgrade textbooks and workbooks to ensure we use materials that are engaging and excite students in their learning.
- Opportunities for students to learn beyond the classroom have also expanded - already in the first term, we have arranged dozens of trips for our students all over Dhaka, Bangladesh and the world. These opportunities allow our students to link classroom learning to the real world; be exposed to new ideas and cultures; learn more about their own country; and also develop their social and personal skills as their sense of independence grows. These trips are an important part of our academic program and I am proud that we have been able to expand the number and types of trips we are able to organize.
- We have begun to develop multimedia resources for students from Class I onwards to be used in the classroom and at the same time, we have started sending as homework links to interesting videos, online games and other learning opportunities. Digital education is the future of how children will learn, and I strongly encourage parents to ensure their children are taking advantage of the guidance we are providing to them. Their own learning will be richer and deeper if they explore the links we are sending home.
- Our character education programs continue to develop and improve - activities and discussions during homeroom period, the Global Education and Leadership Foundation's curriculum implementation, our emails on various aspects of teaching character, and our awareness programs for parents all serve to ensure our whole community is teaching our students to be productive, responsible and caring individuals. I look to the cooperation and support of our parents to ensure we are all giving our students the positive messages and proper guidance that they need.
- The University Placement Services (UPS) office has been very active in the past few months, conducting workshops for students, raising awareness about subject and career choice, and helping them with their university applications. Our work to inspire students to make the best choices for their lives led us to host a wonderful "Inspiring Women" event in December, in partnership with the UK-based campaign, and supported by British-Bangladeshi MP Tulip Siddiq, who is a Scholastica alum!
- Speaking of noteworthy visitors, the Mirpur Campus was also abuzz with excitement in November when Nobel Prize-winner Dr. Harold Varmus visited the campus to share his experience and insights with students.

All in all, it has been an exciting year so far, and you can read all the details of our community's achievements in the pages of this newsletter. Thank you to the entire Scholastica community for its support so far.

With warm wishes and a hope that our second term will be as successful and productive as the first,

Yours sincerely,

Syeda Madiha Murshed  
Managing Director



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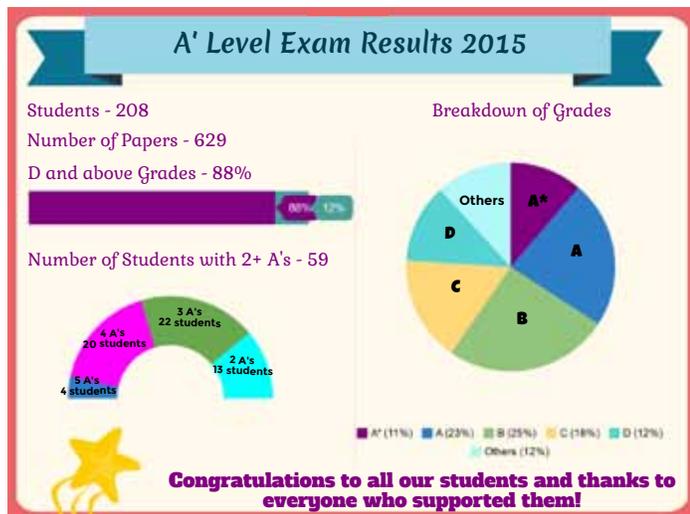
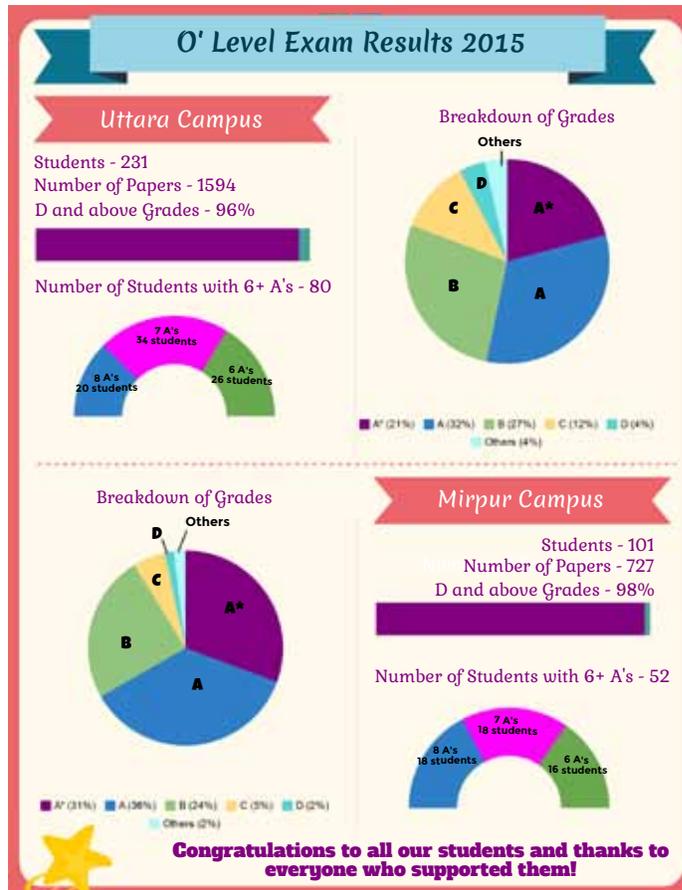
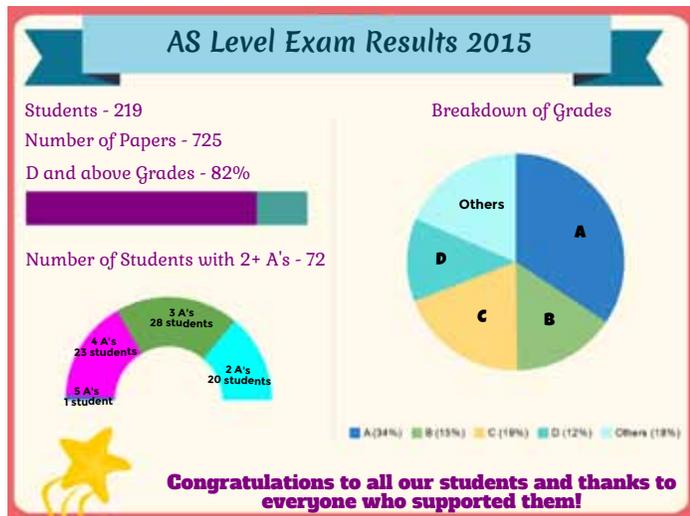
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"It is appreciable that Scholastica has a lot of extracurricular activities beside academic activities. They are serious about discipline, security and administration." Md. Yasin Gani Chowdhury, parent of Jannatul Maowa, Class VII / Maroon / SRU

## Results of O' & A' Level Examinations

Scholastica has been in operation for more than 35 years and it continues to build such solid academic foundations that our students graduate with flying colors year after year. June 2015 was the first exam session when our students in the Mirpur campus took exams and we are delighted to report that their exam results were absolutely stellar - we are very excited and proud of their outstanding achievements, as we are of our students in the Uttara campus.



**Congratulations to all our high achievers, and all our students for making us proud with their fantastic results!**



## CIE Learner Awards

10 learners of Scholastica will receive awards for exceptional performance in Cambridge examinations, including 3 learners who achieved the highest marks in the world and 6 learners who attained the highest marks in Bangladesh in a single subject including one High Achievement. We look forward to the award Ceremony soon.

It was a great honor to welcome H.E. Mr. Hari Kumar Shrestha, Ambassador of Nepal to Bangladesh, to the Senior Campus Mirpur. He conveyed his heartfelt thanks to the students, faculty and management of Scholastica for standing by the people of Nepal during the 2015 Nepal earthquake. His Excellency presented a documentary on the Nepal earthquake, which killed more than 9,000 people and left millions of people injured and homeless. In his speech, HE Mr. Hari Kumar Shrestha spoke about their journey to recovery and their commitment to rebuild Nepal and restore the heritage sites to their original forms. We hope our small contribution will help in the effort to rebuild Nepal and give the children of that country the opportunity to go back to their schools to learn, play and dream of a safer world.



"Scholastica has been a prolific name for long in the field of education in Bangladesh. Its role in developing students into world citizens is well appreciated and uniformly accepted. Modern and scientific education method of Scholastica can easily be compared with international standard institutions. Good, friendly and communicative environment and teachers are also important attributes of this school. We are very proud to be associated with Scholastica family." Mr. Abul Fazal Md. Nurul Fattah, parent of Arisha Binte Fattah, PG, Blue, JRD



### 3Di Program

3Di Limited is a New Zealand-based organization which uses digital technologies to empower students to realize their fullest potential, improve their creativity and enhance their imagination. Through the teaching of digital media technologies, 3Di Limited has developed a curriculum that helps students to problem-solve, work collaboratively and produce work that truly astonishes! The 3Di Program is a combination of 2D & 3D Animation, 3D Modeling, Stop-motion film making, Digital Photography, Clay & Live Animation along with other learning techniques. Students who complete the 3Di program will acquire skills such as problem solving and critical thinking, cognitive and creative skills, presentation and demonstration skills, accepting responsibility to complete the task from start to finish, and building self-confidence and self-discipline. Currently almost 200 students have enrolled for the program and are taking classes in our Senior campuses in Uttara and Mirpur. We are proud to be able to offer this opportunity to students!



### An update on Curriculum Development

Our Curriculum Development Unit has been as busy as ever this year! Apart from working with Maths teachers on the teaching methods and assessment tools used in class, we have also worked with Physical Education teachers and we are undertaking a project to produce new resources and upgrade teaching methods

in the social sciences. At the same time, we continue to create new and interesting resources in English and Bangla.

This year, we have started sending home links to interesting videos, online games and educational resources that are available online. We expect students from Class I onwards to watch those links for reinforcement of the concepts and information studied in class.

We continue to work with the content developers and designers at our sister concern, Ignite Publications, to produce high quality textbooks, workbooks and educational resources to excite and inspire our students.

### Sporting Glories

We pride ourselves on the achievements of our sports teams. This year, like so many in the past, saw our teams winning numerous awards and going very far in several tournaments. Well done!

Name of Event	Date	Team or Player from Scholastica	Result
Scholastica Interschool Volleyball Tournament 2015 hosted by SRU	September 2015	The Boys Volleyball Team of Senior Campus, Uttara Yasin Mahmud Diyab	Champion Best Player Award
DISA/AISD High School Volleyball Tournament	September 2015	The Boys Volleyball Team of Senior Campus, Uttara	Champion
Scholastica Inter school Basketball tournament 2015 hosted by SRU	September 2015	Scholastica Senior Campus, Mirpur and Uttara Boys and Girls Basketball Team	Participated
AISD/DISA Swim Meet 2015	September 2015	Nafi Haque Ahmed	1st Gold Medal in 50 Meter Back Stroke for Boys (15-19 years)
		Tamzid Islam, Abrar Ibrahim Basit, Ahmed Mashrurul Huq & Maheer Daiyan	2nd Silver Medal in 200 Meter Free Style Relay for Boys (15-19 years)
		Taskin Kabir Rodela	3rd Bronze Medal in 50 Meter Free Style for Girls (13-14 years)
		Saran Fareez Mamun, Dhruva Jyoti Paul, Tahmeed Zafir Chowdhury & Tahmid Islam	3rd Bronze Medal in 200 Meter Free Style Relay for Boys (13-14 years)
October 2015	Swimming Team, Scholastica Senior Campus, Mirpur	2 Gold Medals, 9 Silver Medals and 4 Bronze Medals	
DPS STS Inter School Table Tennis Tournament 2015	October 2015	Senior Campus, Mirpur Team: Abid Al Labib (Class X), Tashfir Ridwan Chisty, Syed Anfan Huq, Raiyan Tausif Islam from (Class IX) and Md. Barsat Zulkarnine (Class VII). Raiyan Tausif Islam Abid Al Labib Syed Anfan Huq and Tashfir Ridwan Chisty	Champion in all the Singles, Doubles and Team Events.  Man of the Tournament, Champion in Single & Doubles Event Champion, Doubles Event Silver for securing 3 <sup>rd</sup> position in Doubles Event
Sunbeams Super Cup 2015 (Junior) -Football and Handball Discipline	October 2015	The U-14 Boys Football team of Senior Campus, Uttara U-14 Girls Handball team of Senior Campus, Uttara	Champion Runner up
8 <sup>th</sup> Sister Imelda Memorial Inter-School Volleyball Tournament 2015	October 2015	Girls Volleyball team of the Senior Campus, Uttara	Champion
Sunbeams Super Cup Football 2015-(Senior)	October 2015	The U-19 football team of Senior Campus, Uttara U-19 Girls football team of Senior Campus, Uttara	Champion Runner up
5 <sup>th</sup> ITF Inter School Tennis Tournament 2015	October 2015	Senior Campus, Mirpur Tennis Team - Boys and Girls	Boys -Champion Girls- Runners-up Overall - Champion
Sunbeams Super Cup Handball Tournament 2015	October 2015	Senior Campus, Mirpur Handball Team Muktadir Rahman of Class VII, SRM	Champion Best Player of the Tournament
Girls' Under-17 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament 2015-organized by BBF	October 2015	U-17 Girls Basketball Team of Senior Campus, Uttara	Champion
Scholastica Inter School Handball Tournament 2015	November 2015	Senior Girls Team of Mirpur	Champion
		Senior Boys Team of Mirpur	Runner up
		Junior Girls Team of Mirpur Muktadir Rahman, Class VII, and Raida Marium, Class IX, of Senior Campus, Mirpur	Runner up Player of the Tournament
Scholastica Interschool Cricket Tournament hosted by SRU	November 2015	Senior Campus, Uttara	Champion
		Bishwajit Shaha, Class XII	Man of the tournament
		Shabab Nasir, Class IX	Highest Wicket Taker
ISD Middle School Football Tournament	November 2015	Under-15 Boys Football Team, Senior Campus Uttara	Champion
ISD Middle School Girls Basketball Tournament	November 2015	Under-15 Girls Basketball Team, Senior Campus Uttara	Runner-up
ISD Football League 2015	November 2015	Under-19 Football, Senior Campus, Uttara	Runner-up
World Schools Cricket Challenge, Melbourne, Australia	December 2015	U-16 Cricket team of Senior Campus, Uttara Rayan Ahmad, Class VIII Muntaser Alam Mahdi, Class IX Md Nuhan Hassan, Class VI Riyan Chowdhury, Class VIII Sakib Saqibul Huq, Class VII Rifat Ahmed, Class VIII	Participated Highest Wicket Taker of the Tournament 3rd highest run scorer of the tournament All-Rounder Award Match Ball Award by the Umpires Match Ball Award by the Umpires Match Ball Award by the Umpires



SIBT 2015, SRU



Class Party, JRU



Wasee Rahman, SRU



Green World Day, JRD



Ulviya Narmin Hoque Chisty, SRM



BANMUN 2015 at Bangladesh, SRM



Discipline Month, SRU



UN Day, JRG



Partile Cup 2015 at Sweden, SRM



Playgroup Show, JRD



2nd International Environment Olympiad 2015 (IEO) at India, SRM



Prefect badge giving Ceremony, JRG



Kaya Gallery visit by, SRM



World teachers day, JRG



SRU Team for ISD Football Tournament



Academic Achievement Ceremony, SRM



U 17 girls basketball champion, SRU



World Peace Festival, CONFLUENCE 2015 at Lucknow, SRM



Field Trip, JRU



Boys Team of SRU, Champion in SIBT



Annual sports, JRD



Handball Tournament, SRM



UN Day, SRM



DPS STS Chess Competition 2015-16, SRM



World teachers day, SRM



Healthy food for healty life, JRD



Concert at, SRM



Green World Day, JRG



DISA Volleyball Achievement, SRU



Discipline Month, JRG



Class Party, JRD



Sunbeams Super Cup, SRU



Green World Day, JRU



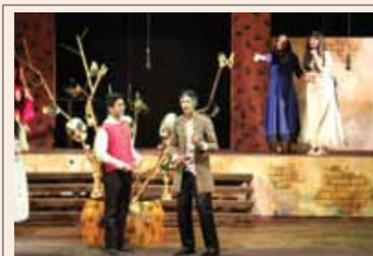
Annual Play, SRM



Field Trip, JRU



Older Person day, JRG



Annual Play, SRU



Field Trip, JRU



Gothia Cup 2015 at Sweden, SRU



Field Trip, JRG



Class Party, JRG



MUN Conference at Srilanka, SRU



"It's a privilege for me to express my feelings about the school. I like the orientation program of the school where I can meet the class teacher and know about the class rules and responsibilities. The curricular and extra-curricular activities of the school are very effective for the students. I always wish all the best to Scholastica not only for the sake of the institution but also for the well being of the students." Aparna Rahman, parent of Syed Rayan Tahsin Rahman, KG I/Indigo/JRU

## Academic Events and Achievements

Our Merit Scholars this year are at the top of their class - they not only excelled in their studies last year but also scored the highest on their Merit Exam and interviews. Congratulations to these outstanding students!

### Arnab Paul, Class V/SRU

Arnab is an enthusiastic learner who enjoys school activities. He is also well-liked by his peers as he offers helpful suggestions to them. He also demonstrates self-discipline and self-reliance.



### Afnan Kabir, Class VI/SRU

He is an enthusiastic participant in various class activities and discharges all responsibilities assigned to him with sincerity. A keen learner and passionate singer, Afnan is always eager to help both his peers and teachers.

### Aria Iffdita Jamal, Class VII/SRU

Aria has been a mentor to her peers and an exemplary student in her class. She continues to inspire her peers to perform as well as she does.



### Ahnaf Kabir, Class VIII/SRU

A meticulous learner, Ahnaf's academic performance is always exemplary. He is a keen participant in sports and volunteers to be part of various activities in class too. He discharges his responsibilities with care. His helpfulness and co-operation towards his teachers and peers makes him an indispensable member of the class.

### S.M. Jarif Tahmeed, Class IX/Mirpur

Jarif is a gifted and self-motivated learner. Apart from attaining academic success, he takes keen interest in debate and painting. Jarif has also participated in International Environmental Olympiad in December 2015 in Lucknow. We wish him success for his future endeavors.



### Tazwar-bin-hasan, Class X-SRU

Tazwar, along with his excellent academic performance, has a flair for all kinds of sports and other extra-curricular activities such as debates and MUN conferences.

Noble Laureate Dr. Harold Eliot Varmus visited our Senior Campus Mirpur on Sunday November 22. He enlightened the students by describing his own life story and how he got into science and scientific research. He also spoke about his research on cancer. He was delighted to have been invited to visit Scholastica and appreciated the interaction and the question & answer session he had with the students.



## Creative and Academic Achievements

So many of our students are such achievers! Here are some highlights from their academic and artistic achievements this term:

Name of Event	Campus/Organizer	Participants Information	Results
1st Nairong International Students' Conference, Bangkok 2015	Senior Campus, Uttara	6 students and 1 teacher	Champion in group presentation competition
Sri Lanka Model United Nations Conference 2015	Senior Campus, Uttara	15 students and 2 teachers of Senior Campus, Uttara	Maruf Zubery, student of Class XI of Senior Campus, Uttara acted as a diplomat from Norway in the State Summit on Terrorism Committee; he was awarded Best Upcoming Delegate
Certificate Giving Ceremony for British Council Book Reading Competition	Senior Campus, Mirpur and Senior Campus Uttara	987 Members participated in the program from Class III to VII from Mirpur and 118 students participated from Senior Uttara campus	Unaisa Farhin Khan-V / Orange was awarded with a laptop and certificate for outstanding achievement. Membership card was distributed to 17 achievers from Class III to VII.
Book Reading Program by Bishwa Shahittyo Kendro	Senior Campus, Mirpur	102 students from from Class VI to IX	16 students were awarded for their outstanding result in the test
BOP Journal	Senior Campus, Mirpur	Rayan Rabbani, Class VIII	Article published in BOP journal
Aloha Math Competition in Manila, Philippines	Junior Campus Uttara	Souhayla Hossain, KG II	1 <sup>st</sup> Runner-up Trophy
National Dance Competition, Shilpokola Academy	Senior Campus, Mirpur	Ulviya Narmin Hoque Chisty, Class VIII	Selected as a Top 10 Performer
Science Olympiad of Civil Fest organized by Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering of North South University	Senior Campus, Uttara	Wasee Rahman Chowdury of Class VIII	1 <sup>st</sup> position
7 <sup>th</sup> BUET Inter-school Debate Championship 2015	Senior Campus, Mirpur	6 students and 1 teacher	Semi-finalists, best speaker of the tournament, 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> best speaker of the tournament
Scholastica Inter-school Debate Tournament (SIDT)	Senior Campus, Mirpur	16 students from Class VII & VIII	Quarterfinalists, 2 <sup>nd</sup> best speaker, 4 <sup>th</sup> Best speaker and 6 <sup>th</sup> best speaker of the tournament
Asian Schools Debating Championship organized by Asia Pacific Schools, Malaysia.	Senior Campus, Mirpur	3 students and 1 teacher	Semi-finalists of the tournament.
LCLS Debate Tournament hosted by London Schools of Legal Studies (LCLS)	Senior Campus, Mirpur	6 students and 1 teacher	Semi-finalists and the first best speaker
Victory Day Art Competition	Senior Campus, Mirpur	Class II to IV	Students from each class were awarded with certificates.
3 <sup>rd</sup> MGD Girl's School Model United Nations 2015	Senior Campus, Mirpur	7 students from Class X & XI and 1 teacher	Awarded with certificate for best position paper
Bangladesh International Model United Nations (BiMUN) 2015	Senior Campus, Uttara	100 students participated Ryan Farhab, Class X Shadman Shakib, Class XI	Nominated as the BiMUN ambassadors and achieved the "Honorable Mention" trophy
DISA Cultural Festival organized by ISD	Senior Campus, Uttara	21 students	Participated
CDLS, New Delhi, India	Senior Campus, Uttara	Md Rushaed Ahsan, Class XII Shaan Chowdhury, Class IX Sumit Somani, Class XII	Article published in CDLS journal Article published in CDLS journal Poster was awarded as one of the best posters
6 <sup>th</sup> Bangladesh Physics Olympiad	Senior Campus, Uttara	Wasee Rahman Chowdhury, Class VIII	12 <sup>th</sup> Position
Graphic Design competition	Behance Bangladesh	Ahmed Fahad Ibne Farid, class XII/SRU	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize, branding category
DPS-STs Inter School Chess Tournament 2015-16	Senior Campus, Mirpur	Raihan Musa, class VIII/Maroon/ SRM	Silver medal, 'Best Player of the Tournament', senior category.
Literacy Day Quiz Competition	Senior Campus, Uttara	Nusrat Jahan, Class VIII  Kh. Fayruz Tasnim, Class VIII  Probahita Nuzhat, Class VIII	1 <sup>st</sup>  2 <sup>nd</sup>  3 <sup>rd</sup>
Duke of Edinburgh's Award	Senior Campus, Uttara	80 students (Bronze- 50, Silver-22 and Gold-8)	Awarded certificate and crest as one of the prominent DEA award units of Bangladesh

"Scholastica is one of the most well established and renowned educational institute of our country. It has provided a wonderful and nurturing atmosphere to develop the life of the students in the best way possible. This school has an excellent education system that helps produce successful individuals. Scholastica has a glorious history which consists of countless achievements of its students in different fields including education, sports and culture. I am truly proud to be able to call myself a 'Scholastican'." -Md. Sirajus Salehin, Clas X, SRU



## Trips in Bangladesh & Abroad

We are relentless in providing opportunities for our students to grow, excel and gain exposure to the wider world. This term was no different, with our school organizing several trips for our students:

July - August	
Name of Event	Location
Partille Cup 2015, team from Mirpur Campus	Gotenburg, Sweden
Gothia Cup 2015, team from Uttara Campus	Gotenburg, Sweden
Dana Cup 2015, team from Uttara Campus and Mirpur Campus	Hjorring, Denmark
Bangladesh Model United Nations Conference (BANMUN) 2015, team from Mirpur Campus	Adamjee Cantonment Public School & College in Dhaka
1st Nairong International Students' Conference 2015, team from Uttara Campus	Bangkok, Thailand
Sri Lanka Model United Nations Conference 2015, team from Uttara Campus	Colombo, Sri Lanka
September - October	
Kaya Gallery, team from Mirpur Campus	Kaya Gallery, Dhaka
Field Trip of Class II and III, Junior Campus Gulshan	Mukti Juddho Jadhughor, Dhaka
The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award program- 102 students to complete the Silver award, team from Mirpur Campus	Srimangal, Moulvibazar, Sylhet
EXSPO-2015, team from Uttara Campus	Lucknow, India
Field Trip -Class II, Junior Uttara campus	Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Novotheatre, Dhaka
Field Trip of Class I -JRU	Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Memorial Museum
3 <sup>rd</sup> Maharani Gayatri Devi Girl's School Model United Nations' Conference (MGDMUN 2015) , team from Mirpur Campus	Maharani Gayatri Devi Girl's School, Jaipur, India
November - December	
Field Trip of Class I, Junior Campus Gulshan	Parliament House
Field Trip of Class KG-II, Junior Campus Gulshan	Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Novotheatre, Dhaka
Field Trip of Class KG-I, Junior Campus Gulshan	BAF Museum, Dhaka
Community Development Leadership Summit (CDLS) 2015, team from Senior Campus Uttara	New Delhi, India
Visits to Dhaka Lit Fest by teams from Senior Uttara and Senior Mirpur Campus	Bangla Academy, Dhaka
DISA Cultural Festival (SRU)	International School Dhaka (ISD)
Bangladesh International Model United Nations (BiMUN) 2015, team from Uttara Campus	Pan Pacific Sonargaon, Dhaka
Yadavindra Public School Model United Nations' Conference (YPSMUN 2015) , team from Mirpur Campus	Patiala, Punjab, India
Field Trip of Class II, Senior Campus Mirpur to CFC Factory	Dhanmondi, Dhaka
Field Trip of class III and IV, Senior Campus Mirpur to Haque Biscuits Factory	Tejgaon, Dhaka.
Field Trip of class V, Senior Campus Mirpur to Liberation War Museum	ShegunBagicha, Dhaka
Field Trip of class VI, Senior Campus Mirpur to Novo Theatre	BijoySwarani, Dhaka

Field Trip of class VII, Senior Campus Mirpur to Bangabandhu Memorial Museum	32, Dhanmondi, Dhaka
Field Trip of class XI, Senior Campus Mirpur to BRAC Agricultural Research & Development Centre	Gazipur, Dhaka
Harmony 2015 National Final, team from Senior Campus Mirpur	Scottish High International School, Gurgaon, India
II International Environment Olympiad 2015 (IEO) , team of Senior Campus Mirpur	City Montessori School Gomti Nagar, Lucknow, India
Confluence, 2015 organized by City Montessori School, Indira Nagar, team of Senior Campus Mirpur	Lucknow, India

### This is what students had to say about their experiences on these recent trips:

*"My experience at the YPSMUN 2015 in Patiala, India changed my thoughts about the world. It opened my eyes and now I can envision a better world.... This MUN helped me to be more socially independent. I gained courage and more confidence to face the world in a diplomatic manner..."*

Mirza Faiaz Sami, Class XI, Mirpur Campus

*"It was a great experience for me to play in an international cricket tournament in Australia and become the 3rd highest run scorer in it. I am honored to play alongside such a cheerful team and was proud to represent Scholastica and Bangladesh. I look forward to play further tournaments representing my school and country and take my country's name to a higher position "*

Muntaser Alam Mahadi, Class IX, Senior Campus Uttara  
*Of course, we are planning more trips for the second term, stay tuned to hear more about them!*

### Inspiring Women Event at SRU

Scholastica hosted the first ever "Inspiring Women"-style event yesterday in our Senior Uttara Campus. The event was organized in partnership with Chris Percy, an advisor to the campaign in the UK, and supported by British MP Tulip Siddiq, who is an alum of Scholastica! We were proud to host students from Rajuk Uttara Model College, Herman Gmeiner School, Shaheed Bir Uttam Lt. Anwar Girls' College and 6 other local schools. It was an energizing and truly inspiring session for the students, who spoke to 24 successful and professional women about their careers. Thank you to all the volunteers who shared their experience and advice and were so inspirational for us all. Thank you to Tulip Siddiq MP and Chris Percy for all their guidance and support, and we hope this is just the start of many more such events!



## Internship Program 2015

Scholastica runs an internship program every summer for high school students. This is an opportunity for them to get access to the working world and learn about different careers. It is an invaluable opportunity for students to gain early exposure and learn professional skills that can help them for life.

Here are the companies that hosted Scholastica students as interns this summer:

- ◆ ADCOMM Limited ◆ Apollo Hospital
- ◆ Ascent Group ◆ Gemcon Group
- ◆ Bangladesh Enterprise Institute (BEI)
- ◆ BRAC IED ◆ Dhaka Tribune
- ◆ Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)
- ◆ JAAGO Foundation ◆ Radio Today
- ◆ United Hospital ◆ Yunus Center
- ◆ United Nations Information Center (UNIC)

Thank you to these companies for their efforts; we appreciate the support!

Our students get good evaluations from their internship supervisors; here is just a sample of what hosts have to say:

The Feature Editor of Dhaka Tribune, Ms. Sabrina Fatima Ahmed, wrote in her email *"Thank you for sending us such a bright and talented group. They were simply a delight to work with, and a credit to the institution they represent."*

Ms. Hanufa Ahmed, In charge - Training, Human Resource Department of United Hospital commented: *"Throughout [student's] placement in United Hospital Limited, he was found polite, friendly in dealing with others, courteous ... towards patients and attendants, intelligent and carried out his assigned task sincerely."*

Students also really appreciate the opportunity. Here is what one student said about his internship experience this summer - Ahmed Nafis Arafat, who worked in United Hospital commented, *"I can say one thing with surety- I have a different view on life, and people after my experience. In retrospect, what I learnt I hope will not only help me in my future academic endeavors but also in how I interact with people in general."*





"Scholastica helped me pursue my dreams and make friends. It is now my identity and my portal to the world. Thank you Scholastica for embracing me the way I am, nourishing my talents and making my school life a memorable one."  
**Rohini Roy Roshmi, Class IX/Green/SRM**

## Summer at Scholastica

SPEED youth ran a summer program this year in Uttara. A balance of fun and learning is the cornerstone of the philosophy behind the program. Students got to choose 3 subjects from a wide variety of options ranging from soccer, handball, basketball to math games, young scientist, basics of computer, graphic design, animation, photography and guitar. Special theme days were celebrated, which included pink day, twins day, sunglass day, tie day, and hat day! Additional programs included a carnival and graduation day.



## Our Dedicated Teachers

In the past years, we celebrated with several teachers who passed important milestones in their careers in Scholastica. Please join us in congratulating the following teachers for completing several years of service in our school. We are lucky to have you and thank you for your dedication to Scholastica!

Name	Location
<b>5 Years</b>	
Shariar Majid	Junior Dhanmondi
Tahsina Shafi	Junior Dhanmondi
Tasnuha Jahan Poonam	Junior Dhanmondi
Farah Zubaira Zaman	Junior Gulshan
Naznin Sultana	Junior Gulshan
Shaheena Sultana	Junior Gulshan
Mashraky Mustary	Junior Gulshan
Fahmida Mannan Mousumi	Junior Gulshan
Shailla Hossain	Junior Uttara
Mst. Farhana Akter	Junior Uttara
Sabina Siddiqua	Junior Uttara
Ishrat Ara Polin	Senior Campus Mirpur
Md. Razzaqul Islam	Senior Campus Mirpur
Noor-E-Laila	Senior Campus Mirpur
Sabrina Sharmin	Senior Campus Mirpur
Walida Zaman	Senior Campus Mirpur
Fariste Mawla	Senior Campus Mirpur
Mahfuz Aysa	Senior Campus Uttara
Rifat Chowdhury Hoque	Senior Campus Uttara
<b>10 Years</b>	
Raiyana Parveen	Junior Gulshan
Lubana Afroz	Junior Gulshan
Bilkis Zafrin Dipu	Senior Campus Mirpur
Zabin Imtiaz	Senior Campus Mirpur
Sabina Shafaat	Senior Campus Mirpur
Hasina Arefin	Senior Campus Mirpur
Mahtabur Rahman	Senior Campus Mirpur
Naila Sazed	Senior Campus Uttara
Mohammad Ilias Khan	Senior Campus Uttara
Rokeya Khatun	Senior Campus Uttara
Shamima Akhter	Senior Campus Uttara
Saima Sadika	Senior Campus Uttara
Md. Ali Haider Sheikh	Senior Campus Uttara
<b>15 Years</b>	
Syeda Afsana Ahmed	Senior Campus Mirpur
<b>20 Years</b>	
Kazi Mohammad Aslam	Senior Campus Uttara
Nasira Kabir	Senior Campus Uttara

## Notable achievements by Faculty/ Management for the Term

Our students are not the only ones in the Scholastica family who have achievements to boast about; here is what our talented faculty have been up to this term!

The following members of our faculty received the Excellence in Teaching Award, a new program administered by the management of Scholastica. Congratulations!

Mithila Parveen, JRD	Tahsina Shafi, JRD
Sabrina Ahsan, JRG	Naureen Khan, JRG
Rehnuma Wasim, JRG	Sharmin Shayokh, JRU
Shaima Kaniz, JRU	Nure Jannat, JRU
Rumana Nazneen, JRU	Ayesha Parveen, JRU
Farah Ahmed, MIU	Mahfuz Ayesha, MIU
Hasanat Fatima, MIU	Shamima Ahmed, MIU
Sabin Nehrin Ahmed, MIU	Subal Kumar Ghosh, MIU
Noorussaba Karim, SRM	Mohammad Ali Khan, SRM
Mohammad Serajuddin, SRM	Md. Wahed Iqbal, SRM

### Training program attended by the Faculty and Management

Name	Program Name with short detail
Ms. Mahmuda Begum, Academic Supervisor	Third Readers Development conference at British Council; November 2015
Ms. Sabrina Ahsan (Faculty), Ms. Sarah Zabin (Faculty), Ms. Sabrina Sharmeen (Academic Supervisor) of Junior campus, Dhanmondi, Ms Tilottoma Zaman, SRU	Participated in DISA workshop at Senior Uttara campus on November 14, 2015
Mr Shubhojit Roy and Mr Ishtiaque Ahmed Ravi- Faculty, SRU	The Global Education & Leadership Foundation's (tGELF) Workshop
Tazeen Rowhani, Ayesha Shormin Chowdhury, Mokammel Hossain, Ashraful Alam, Rifat Chowdhury Hoque, Syed Ziaul Haque - Faculty, SRU	Duke of Edinburgh Awards Training
Tazeen Rowhani and Tilottoma Zaman - Faculty, SRU	Training on World Dignity Day
Sonia Mahmood, Academic Supervisor, SRM	Workshop organized by Dhaka International Schools Association on Brain breaks, Math
Syeda Afsana Ahmed, Faculty, SRM	Cambridge International O Level Environmental Management Training
Nayema Abedeen, Faculty of SRM	Cambridge International O Level Bengali Training
Quamrunnassa Shuly, Faculty of SRM	Cambridge International O Level English Training
Shaheen Ferdowsy Begum, Faculty of SRM	
Md. Ali Khan, Faculty of SRM	
Md. Serajuddin, Faculty of SRM	

### Recent achievement by the Faculty and Management:

Name of Recipients	Program Name with short detail	Reward
Ms. Moumita Alam, Faculty of Junior Campus, Dhanmondi	22nd Asian Table Tennis Championship 2015 in Thailand Aarong Dairy Federation Cup T. T. Tournament -2015 South Asian Games	Participated Women's Team Champion 1st position
Ms Rashna Rafique	The Global Education & Leadership Foundation's (tGELF) Education Prize 2015	Selected as a finalist for a special mention in the middle school category



## Awareness Programs Organized during the Term

**Lazy Eye -KG-I** teachers conducted a test to detect poor vision in children.

**Green world** for KG-II students to increase their awareness of our environment.

**Healthy food for healthy life**-taught Class I and II students about the importance of eating the right foods and maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

**International Day of Older Persons** - The students of Mirpur Campus recognized the contributions of older persons and examined issues that affect their lives.

**Discipline Month**- was observed in Mirpur and Senior Uttara focusing on the theme 'School Behavior and Discipline'.

**Parent Awareness Programs**- were held during Report Card day in November on the topic of maintaining online safety and security.

**United Nations Day** - Students of Mirpur and Senior Uttara organized a program to share information about the purpose of the UN and develop awareness regarding diversity and peace.

**Grand Parents' Day**- the grandparents of Playgroup children were invited to participate in school activities and deepen their bond with their grandchildren!

**Awareness Program on Global Handwashing Day 2013**- taught children in junior, middle and senior sections to maintain hygiene for good health.

**Bring Out The Best In You**- Class I students were taught about good behavior and responsibility.

**World Teacher's Day**- was celebrated on all campuses to honor the hard work and dedication of our wonderful faculty.

Caught on the Web or Press



### Scholastica Interschol Volleyball Tournament 2015

