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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK.....

The New Year Sun illuminates a fresh spark of hope, joy and positivity in the world around us. Moreover, it throws another chance to carry forward our goals, and work upon our previous mistakes and failures as well.



Despite the unprecedented hard times of the pandemic, we successfully carried forward our mission in academics, though the last two years had been a rollercoaster of constraints between the online and offline lessons. Challengingly, once again the danger of omicron is looming large. And the world came to grips with the New Normal and the Hybrid Modes. I shall appeal to the teachers and parents to give emotional support to the young children since their mental health is equally important as their physical one. And I shall urge my dear young learners never to breach safety norms like wearing masks, washing hands frequently, keeping social distance, and following a nutritious diet. No doubt, 'Sweet are the uses of adversity'. Believe in yourself, be brave, optimistic and patient, and make utmost use of the learning opportunities. We look forward to grabbing all the possible opportunities for the betterment of Students, Staff and the College.

Let's keep aside our worries and fears, I am sure 2022 has a lot in store to make us jubilant.

I wish you all a Healthy, Peaceful and Prosperous year!



**Mr. Francis Castelino**  
Principal

## PEACE DAY

*"Peace is not the absence of conflict, it is the ability to handle conflict by peaceful means."*

-Ronald Reagan

The International Peace Day, celebrated on 21<sup>st</sup> September every year, is devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and people. Unity College believes in building conscientious, global citizens of the world, in whom values of peace, harmony, empathy and non-violence are deeply ingrained. It is with this mission in mind, the Pre-Primary section organised a few activities during the online sessions for classes LN, UN and Prep to promote peace in the school environment and all over the world. The significance of the day was well-depicted by the students bearing symbols of peace and harmony.



The little ones of LN & UN made beautiful doves out of various craft items. Class Prep made well-crafted paper lanterns out of decorative items and promoted reconciliation, peace and harmony among all.



It was an enriching experience for the students as they realised the importance of unity and peace, and sensitized its impact on human kind which would enable them to promote peace in their future in all walks of life and have a future that works for all.

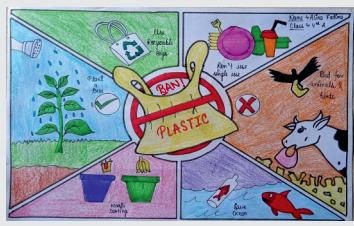
## SWACHHATA PAKHWADA

Unity College flagged off the Swachhata Pakhwada with Swachhta Shapath on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2021 in which classes VI to XII and the faculty took the pledge for Swachhata and COVID related preventive measures under the supervision of Principal Mr. Francis Castelino.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> September, the existing Water Harvesting System in the College was reviewed and introduced to the students in view of the current catch 'The Rain Campaign'. Following the guidelines of WHO, a couple of webinars on the 'Importance of Cleanliness, Hygiene, Sanitation and the Three T's during the Covid Pandemic' were successfully conducted by Ms Huma Rizvi and Ms. Fizza Mehdi from the Science Department for the students of classes IX to XII and classes VI to VIII respectively along with their parents.



On 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Science Teacher Ms Fauzia conducted the webinar 'Community Outreach' for the classes VI to XII. She briefed them about eco-friendly practices, sanitation and further emphasized upon conserving 'Environment Cleanliness'.



On day 4, the College celebrated the special event 'Go Green Drive Days' by organising a number of online thematic competitions- Poster Making for class IV and V,

Imaginative Slogan Writing for class VI and VII, and Pamphlet Making for class VIII and IX. On day 5, their eye-catching creative expressions were collected to be displayed in the school exhibition. It was a practical learning experience for the students and was very enjoyable too.

Headmistress Ms. Kainaat & College Counsellor Ms. Nisar took an interview of Dr. Andaleeb Rizvi of SEWA SADAN along with three students. Dr. Andaleeb laid importance of propagation of Covid appropriate behaviour and vaccination among the public, and also emphasised on the importance of cleanliness and hygiene in order to get rid of all types of diseases whether air borne, water borne or insect borne.

The recording of the interview was uploaded on the College website and posted on the class groups for the benefit of the students.

As a result, all the activities carried out by the school have allowed to bring this cleaning mission to the community, thereby forming a mass consciousness.



## TEACHERS' DAY

Every year Teachers' Day reminds us of the critical role teachers play in achieving inclusive and quality education for all. This year the Day was even more special as the teachers encountering the challenges of COVID 19, made a crucial contribution to ensuring continuity in learning, supporting the mental health and well being of their students. Abounding with this view, Unity College celebrated Teachers' Day to honour and laud their great contribution in adapting to the paradigm shift and creating a new learning environment to continue the education of their students.



The day dawned with Principal Mr. Francis' kind greetings and wishes to the teachers on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 via WhatsApp. He appreciated the faculty who have gone to incredible lengths to help the students keep learning and growing during the present unprecedented times of the Pandemic. They worked endlessly in looking for ways to improve their online as well as offline practices. He expressed profound gratitude to them for making Unity such a "Great Place" to grow and follow the legacy of Padma Bhushan recipient Founder President Late Dr. S. Kalbe Sadiq!

The Vice Principal and the Headmistress too sent greeting messages on the special occasion to boost the morale of their teams of wonderful teachers.



On 6<sup>th</sup> September, the College had a special activity as a tribute to the devoted teachers by the students. All the classes from Nursery to XII presented handmade cards to their respected Resource Persons. Enthusiastic students showcased their burst of creativity with artistic strokes in making amazingly lovely cards.

Proud smiles on the faces of the teachers made the occasion a grand success.

## HINDI DIWAS

*'A nation is dumb without a national language.'*

The profound words of Mahatma Gandhi highlight the importance of the country's most widely spoken language, our Rashtra Bhasha - Hindi. Unity College celebrated Hindi Diwas on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2021, to commemorate the D' day when Hindi was adopted as the

national language in 1949. With an aim to inculcate love for the language and to bring it into practice, a plethora of activities were organised for the students.

The little ones of class I made lovely 'Matra Clocks' using 'Swars' on chart papers. Class II students spelled a broad selection of words, usually with a varying degree of difficulty in the Spell Bee Competition. Class III participated in the 'Tukbandi Competition' which was a wonderful learning experience of Hindi rhyming words. Class IV made a 'Vyanjan Shabdkosh', a Consonant Glossary wherein they assembled small dictionaries with words using different consonants. Class V participated in the 'Doha Recitation Competition' wherein they had to recite Dohas of different poets with correct pronunciation and expression. These competitions gave an insight and signified the importance of Hindi language and literature in our daily life, making us feel proud of our National Language.

Classes VI to XII enthusiastically participated in the 'Essay Writing Competition' organised by the Hindi Department. Very relevant and burning topics were given to different classes, like 'Kya Hindi Bhasha Rashtra Ko Ek Jutt Karne Mein Samarth Hai', 'Online Shiksha', 'Samajik Samasyaein', 'Nari Sashaktikaran', 'Shahron Mein Badti Asuraksha Ki Bhavna' and 'Bhautik Sukh Suvidha Hamein Aalasya Ki Or Le Jaati Hain'. The contest turned out to be a great success as the students' articles were the literary expressions of their progressive thoughts and awareness. Later, class wise winners were appreciated and acknowledged with merit-certificates.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino motivated the students to make Hindi the language of daily use and the driving force for national integration and brotherhood.

## VOCAB WIZARD CONTEST

An Inter-Section Vocab Wizard Contest was organised by Teacher Ms. Mahlaqua Siddiqui on 24<sup>th</sup> September for class IX with an aim to enhance the spellings and literary skills of the learners. The quiz was based on their curriculum only. The first round of elimination



was conducted in the class itself as the students took a general dictation exercise. The shortlisted two participants from each section came in the final round. The contest consisted of five rounds - Jumbled Letters, Odd One Out, One Word Substitution, Visual and Rapid Fire

The result is given below-

Arshil and Abida Naqvi	(IX-A)	I
Tabsheer Fatima and Hiba Zehra	(IX-B)	II
Basirat Fatima and Wasiya Zehra	(IX-C)	III



Principal Mr. Francis Castelino appreciated the meticulous presentation of the students and the stimulating initiative taken by the teacher. He further applauded the winning Contestants with prizes and certificates.

Headmistress Ms. Kainaat Mansoor praised the standard of the vocabulary quizzed in the Contest and also the well organised execution with an appropriate PPT.



The Contest was an enriching experience of vocabulary and communication skills.

## GANDHI JAYANTI ONLINE

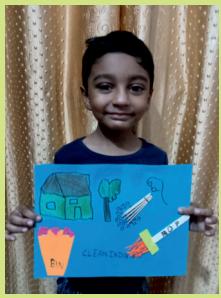
Gandhi Jayanti is celebrated all over India every year on 2<sup>nd</sup> October to proclaim the glory of Gandhiji 'The Father of the Nation' who has impacted humanity to its core. Unity College celebrated Bapu's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary virtually on Zoom with full zeal, enthusiasm and a patriotic feeling on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020.



To revere this day, the students of Pre-Primary and Primary participated in various activities. L.N. toddlers made beautiful charkha replicas using ice-cream sticks. U.N. kids made various craft items like trees, huts, mops, brooms and bins using toothpicks, wool etc. showcasing a spirit of sanitation and cleanliness. Class Prep students paid a special tribute to the Father of the Nation by making his face using buns, egg, curry leaves, black pepper, tomatoes and capsicum.

Class I students paid homage to Gandhiji by dressing up like him. Class II made various symbols of Gandhiji





like his walking sticks, spectacles, his monkeys and spinning wheel using craft materials. Class III made beautiful collages of Gandhiji's figure using old newspapers. Class IV made eye-catching posters of Gandhiji's famous thoughtful quotes which helped to imbue them with Gandhian values and thoughts. Class V paid a creative homage to Gandhiji by making exemplary 3-D models of one of the most important symbols or belongings of Gandhiji, i.e., his famous Charkha or Spinning Wheel.



## DAAN UTSAV

Unity College joined 'Daan Utsav' in collaboration with Prithvi Innovations and HASNAA Foundation by launching a number of social activities and events, both online and offline. Students as well as teachers participated with gusto and humane spirit.



The week-long social activity 'Garbage Daan' began on 2<sup>nd</sup> October under the supervision of Headmistress Ms. Kainaat Mansoor. The teachers collected dry waste from their homes and also forwarded the garbage bags to their neighbours. On the last day, the teacher with maximum dry waste was given the title 'Green Champ'.

The week-long social activity 'Hair Daan' also commenced on 2<sup>nd</sup> October. The volunteer teachers visited the hair salons, posted the Hair Donation Banners, and persuaded the salon teams to donate hair (more than twelve inches) for wigs meant for Cancer patients.



A 'Menstrual Hygiene Webinar' was conducted on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, by PRITHVI INNOVATIONS for the lady staff members of Unity College. The guest speaker Ms. Manjula Anagani enlightened the audience upon Sustainable Menstrual Health and Hygiene. Furthermore, Ms. Taranjeet-poet, artist and founder of PADSQUAD also promoted and exhorted the dire need to switch to environment friendly alternatives.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> October, the College in collaboration with HASNAA FOUNDATION organized two sessions on 'Dental Awareness' for classes Prep, I & II. Dr. Mandakini showed students the proper way of brushing teeth daily. She also emphasised on having a proper diet along with appropriate exercises.

On 5<sup>th</sup> October, class V & VIII were briefed and guided about 'Water Conservation' by teachers Ms. Fizza Mehdi, Ms. Ashab Baqar, and Ms. Narjis Fatima. Each teacher escorted a group of students to count and check the number of water outlets in their respective zones. They tied a Pink ribbon on leaking outlets and submitted a report to the Administration for further action. The students conducted a similar exercise in their homes thereafter and informed their parents about the leakages, and also explained the severity of the problem.

On 5th October, the College organized a session on 'Women's Hygiene' for the mothers of class UN & Prep. Dr. Suchi, a gynaecologist, discussed the menstrual cycle, best resources to be used, menstrual hygiene and the best way to maintain good health during this time.



An awareness session on 'Menstrual Hygiene' was conducted by Ms. Anuradha Gupta and Dr. Rashmi Chaturvedi on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2021, by Prithvi Innovations for the female teaching staff and mothers of class V.

## THE QUEEN'S COMMONWEALTH ESSAY COMPETITION

Unity College cheers for the young students who clinched remarkable achievement by participating in the Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition and getting awarded with certificates and Bronze Medals.

The winners are:

**Kinza Fatima - I-C**

**Areeba Mehdi Husain - III-A**

**Syed Saqib Ahmed Rizvi - III-B**



The theme of the Competition was 'Covid-19 Pandemic'. Representing nearly every Commonwealth country, the entrants wrote about contemporary issues due to Covid-19 which reflected their imagination, maturity, intelligence and depth beyond their years. Their creative writing and stories of growth and hope in bringing about a change emerged to inspire the judges.

The College feels incredibly proud and extends heartiest Congratulations to the participants and winners.

## PROCTOR AND GAMBLE

Resource Person Ms. Anupama- Proctor and Gamble conducted a Female Hygiene session for the girl students of classes V to VIII at Unity College on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. The prime objective of the programme was to educate the young girls about the menstruation cycle and the related hygiene.

Ms. Anupama boosted the morale and said that they are the source of the generation -Y. They should take pride in the female anatomy and handle it with confidence. They should adopt eco-friendly dressings and healthy ways during these days. In addition, she discussed in detail the dos and don'ts and when to visit the doctor. In Conclusion, the girls were given all-inclusive brochures and female dressings.



College Counsellor Ms. Nisar Fatima also gave some valuable tips to groom the students for a well-managed womanhood. It culminated on a positive note of a safe and secure lifestyle.

## MATH QUIZ

Unity College organized an Inter-House Math Quiz Competition for classes IV and V on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2021.

Each House fielded two participants. The Quiz comprised 4 interesting rounds viz. Multiple Choice Questions followed by Mental Mathematics, Solve the Puzzle and Rapid Fire. The students' enthusiastic participation witnessed their presence of mind, speed



and knowledge.

Students of classes I, II and III also participated with full zeal and fervour in the Math Quiz Competition which was conducted in the classes. To make the Quiz lively and comprehensible, the concerned teachers made use of appropriate props and tools.



College Principal, Mr. Francis Castelino congratulated the Headmistress and the Math teachers for conducting such a well-organized and fun-filled event.

Headmistress Ms. Kainaat Mansoor declared the winner of the Competition which was IQBAL House:



WAHIBA FATIMA V-C & ALI ZAIDI IV-C. Furthermore, she motivated the students to strive for the best and always endeavour to excel in whatever they do.

On the whole, it was an enriching, interesting and fun-filled event that helped the students in identifying their capabilities and motivated them to learn and expand their knowledge.



The result is as below:

CLASS 1-A	CLASS 1-B	CLASS 1-C
IQBAL HOUSE	TAGORE HOUSE	TAGORE HOUSE
HALEEMA	ADIFAAH FATIMA	KINZA FATIMA
SYED FAZL	AMBAR ZEHRA	S. ZAIN RIZVI
CLASS 2-A	CLASS 2-B	CLASS 2-C
SIR SYED HOUSE	GANDHI HOUSE	IQBAL HOUSE
WAJIHA FATIMA	IMDAD	KHADIJA HASAN RIZVI
MADIHA RIZVI	ARMAN HASAN	ALIYA FATIMA ZAIDI
CLASS 3-A	CLASS 3-B	CLASS 3-C
TAGORE HOUSE	IQBAL HOUSE	GANDHI HOUSE
RAMIZA FATIMA	YOUSUF ABBAS	MUBASHIRA FATIMA
MARYAM ZEHRA	QAMBER ABBAS	AAMNA SHEIKH

## JASHN-E-WILADAT-E-BA-SA'ADAT

The morning of 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021 dawned jubilant and zealous. It was time for the first cultural event before a gathering after the long online co-curricular proceedings for more than a year and a half. The joy was multiplied as the overwhelming occasion was Jashn-e-Wiladat-e-Ba-Sa'adat: the birth anniversary of the last Prophet (PBUH) and his great-grandson Imam Jafer ibn Muhammad Al-Sadiq. (AS). The programme was organised jointly by Q- School, the Pre- Primary and Primary Sections.

The colourful, enlightening programme was started with the heart touching divine renditions by toddler Qarib (Prep-B) and Masooma Fatima (V-A). Next was a didactic skit that brought home the message of truth - 'The righteous path is difficult but not impossible.' The realistic enactment in the contemporary context enthralled the audience. It was followed by an informative Islamic Quiz, a mellifluous Naat 'Taaj Daar-e-Haram' and a Manqabat, 'Sadaqat ke mahe ta'aban' that charged the devotional aura of the occasion. Moreover, two chemical experiments of soda and vinegar were demonstrated, as a reverend tribute to Imam Jafer, the Great Muslim Scientist and Philosopher of the 8<sup>th</sup> century.

In addition, an exhibition was also set up showcasing the daily practices of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), known as Sunnah. Students demonstrated each Sunnah in detail to the guests.

College Secretary Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi highly appreciated the programme, especially the Anchor of the programme, Ayelin Mehdi Rizvi of IV-B for conducting the programme so well. He said that the meticulous performance of students speaks high of the

strenuous efforts put in by all - students, teachers and parents. He further exhorted them to follow the footprints of these great men and be good humans.



Principal Mr. Francis Castelino motivated the young learners to be good not only in studies but also in every

sphere of life, and to imbibe tolerance, brotherhood and kindness to make a better world.



Ms. Kainaat Mansoor gave a vote of thanks, especially thanking the Almighty for the swing back to normalcy as the College hosted the programme successfully amidst smiling children.



In conclusion, the melodious prayer to the Almighty "Karam Maangta hun" by Mohd. Zaid of class V-C struck each cord. Everyone raised their hands to join in the prayer for peace and welfare of all.

## INVESTITURE

***"Leaders are not born but are made by their experiences in life".***

In compliance with the above view, Unity College held the Investiture Ceremony for the academic session 2021-22 on 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2021. It was formed after scrutinous interviewing and selection.



The ceremony began with the recitation of the Holy Quran followed by the melodious and inspiring song which perfectly suited the event. The song told the students to come together to overcome their challenges and to raise the College banner high.

The Principal administered the oath to the newly appointed School Prefectorial Board who pledged to abide by the rules and regulations of the College for



higher success and greater glory of God. He encouraged the selected leaders to be committed, dedicated and responsible in their work field.

The students were decorated with ceremonial sashes and badges. It lent a proud spectrum as they raised the College and House Flags high. Head Boy Shavez Jafar (XII-B) and Head Girl Tehniat Rizvi (XII-D) took the lead of their teams both



from the Senior and the Primary Sections to offer selfless service for the development of the Institution and the students.



The ceremony culminated with the vote of thanks by the Vice Principal. He congratulated the budding leaders for their preparedness to take responsibilities. He said the designation has rendered upon them a great authority to take up their responsibilities with commitment and dedication. He also motivated the other students that they are equally capable of being leaders.

## DUSSHERA ACTIVITY

On 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2021, the Pre-Primary and Primary sections organised various Dusshera activities for the students via Zoom. Students were told about the significance of Dusshera and that good always triumphs over evil.

The day began with the activities that were not only fun – filled but also educational and innovative. LN students made a rocket using ice cream sticks, UN made a Ravana face using thermocol plates and Prep made a Ravana face stick using bamboo sticks.



In the Primary Section, class I made Ravana face sticks. 'Draw and colour Ravana' activity was conducted in class II where students drew Ravana on punch sheets and coloured it. Class III made a Ravana mask. Class IV students made a stick bow and arrow. Lastly, class V made a Popsicle puppet of Ravana.



The children actively participated throughout the session, thoroughly enjoyed all the activities and completed them beautifully by following their teachers' instructions in a live session. Parents also participated in these activities and played an important role in supervising their children.

These Dussehra activities also taught the children about getting empowered by the positive things available in life and not getting defeated by small failures.



## 'MADNI 100'

The distinguished assemblage of Mr. Muhammad Ghufran-Chief Engineer, UPPCL, Mr. Kalam Khan - Journalist, Mr. B.D. Naqvi- Retd. Judge and Mr. Moid Ahmad - Ex-Minister (UP) conducted a motivational promotion meeting for 'MADNI 100' - Coaching for JEE and NEET at Unity College on 25th October, 2021. This aspiring project has been launched by Madni Foundation in collaboration with Hind Guru.

A general written test was taken on 31st October in which Class XI and XII Science students appeared. The selected students would be intimated furthermore in due course.



The session concluded on an inspiring note - Dream, Compete and Achieve.

## CHILDREN'S DAY

*"The best way to make children good is to make them happy."*

-Oscar Wilde

To spread cheers among children, to adore their childhood and assure their blissful upbringing, Unity College celebrated Children's Day on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.

The exuberance and excitement grew large as the special morning assembly was conducted by teachers. It commenced with the soulful divine rendition, followed by a pledge. The teachers trying tongue twisters brought roars of laughter. The melodious song 'Jeena isi ka naam hai' and the self-composed 'Ode to Students' enthralled one and all. Lastly, the thrilling musical chairs were enjoyed amidst cheers and laughter.



The Pre-Primary and Primary Sections celebrated the D-day in a special manner. The young students were abreast about the significance of Children's Day by their respective Class Teachers.



The toddlers of Pre-Primary made greeting cards. Class LN played Hop & Skip while class UN, Musical Chairs and class Prep did Face-Painting. It was a fun-filled school day for each one.

In the Primary Section, various amusing as well as sportive activities were organised. Class I to V students played 'Freeze', 'Galaxy Bowling', 'Chinese Whispers', 'Do What I Say, Not What I Do', 'Tongue Twisters', 'All about Me', 'Granny's Parcel' and 'Balloon Touch', respectively. Each game concluded with loud applause and cheers for the winners.



Principal Mr. Francis Castelino warmly greeted the children and urged them to be good, disciplined and sincere in studies. They are the architects of Future India, their primary duty is to study well and work for the prosperity of the Nation.

In conclusion, chocolates were distributed among children to sweeten the celebration and commemoration.

## DIWALI CELEBRATIONS



On 6<sup>th</sup> November 2021, the Pre-Primary and Primary Sections organized various Diwali activities for the students via Zoom. The significance of Diwali and its environmentally safe celebration was explained to the students.

The day started with class activities that were not only entertaining but also informative and creative. LN students decorated diyas, UN made firecracker rockets, while Prep made colourful 'Paper Diyas'.



In the Primary section, class I students made beautiful diyas. Class II were given the option of working on diyas, lanterns, candles and wall hangings. Class III made garlands out of paper and real flowers. Class IV created lovely Diwali wreaths. Class V students created paper lanterns and decorated them.

The children were engrossed throughout the activities and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Excitement and happiness were evident on the children's faces.

## INTER-HOUSE ENGLISH DEBATE

Unity College held the Inter-House Debate Competition on 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2021 with an aim to expose the students to free speech, eloquent ideas on current issues and also to hone their communication skills. All the four Houses fielded two teams each for the Junior and the Senior categories.



The Juniors expressed their views emphatically and enthusiastically on the topic "Peer Pressure brings improvement in Children", while the Seniors articulated eloquently on the contemporary issue, "Social Media is responsible for promoting Juvenile Delinquency." As both the propositions are hot in the present day discussion, the arguments and the counter arguments presented a wide perspective of the constructive as well as destructive impact of social media and peer pressure on adolescents.

Judges Ms. Tahseen Zaidi - Academic Advisor, Tauheedul Muslimeen Trust and Ms. Shabana Ahmed - Principal, Unity College II Shift, appreciated the confidence, reliability and conviction with which the debaters put forward the pros and cons. Ms. Zaidi said



participation in debates is more important than winning a trophy. It not only hones your communication skills and boosts confidence but also prepares you to face the world outside.

The result is as follows:

JUNIORS	HANIYA ZEHRA - VIII B HADEES FATIMA - VIII C	BEST SPEAKER RUNNERS UP
SENIORS	NABEELA IDRISI - XII B BUTOOL JAHAN - XII B	BEST SPEAKER RUNNERS UP
HOUSES	GANDHI HOUSE TAGORE HOUSE	CHAMPION 1st RUNNERS UP

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino appreciated the good efforts put in by the students and teachers for the grand success of the event.

The curtain drew on the arena of words with the words of wisdom for one and all in this tech-savvy era.

## PIONEER HEALTHCARE STARTUP STUFIT AT UNITY

On the occasion of Children's Day, a Lucknow-based Healthcare Start-up Stuffit Approach Pvt. Ltd. organized a Head to Toe health check-up camp for children to commemorate World Children's Day at Unity College, Lucknow on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.



Class IX and XI students were screened desk to desk in 80 plus parameters without pricking a single needle by Dr. S. Shujat Jafri and his team. They were also provided Health Report Cards from which the school administration, as well as parents can review and monitor the children's medical conditions on a regular basis.

The camp was successfully set up under the able guidance of College Secretary Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi and the coordination of Counsellor Ms. Nisar Fatima Rizvi.

## SPECIAL ASSEMBLY @ UNITY COLLEGE TO ACKNOWLEDGE LATE DR. KALBE SADIQ'S PADMA BHUSHAN AWARD

The exemplary services of the College Founder and President, Late Dr. Syed Kalbe Sadiq to society were acknowledged by the Government of India which announced his name among the prestigious Padma Bhushan awardees, on the eve of Republic Day, 2021. The award was received by his son Dr. Kalbe Sibtain Noorie at a glittering ceremony at the Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi on 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.

A short but impressive special assembly was organised on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 on the College Ground, where the Medal and Citation were put up on display before the College students to share and celebrate the proud moment of the College.



The program began with beautiful renditions by the choir group followed by the Senior students-Cimon Zaidi and Zaid Siddiqui offering a wreath of flowers in front of Dr. Sadiq's portrait, where the medal was displayed.



The College Principal Mr. Francis Castelino welcomed the guests, members of Dr. Sadiq's family, members of the Management and students to celebrate the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion the College Secretary Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi told the students that they were the ones who deserve the Medal as they are striving to fulfil the dream and vision of the College Founder.



Next, the College Jt. Secretary Dr. M. Talha exhorted the students that only hard work, sincerity and dedication lead to such a pinnacle of success.

An eminent guest, Dr. Shaukat Mirza from Helping Hands Hyderabad, lauded the College Tarana for its wonderful wordings. He advised the young students to emulate Janab's untiring efforts in the field of education to carry forward his legacy.

Also, present on the occasion was retired Vice Principal, Mrs. T. Z. Naqvi with a compilation of her poetic endeavours named – Phir Kehni Hai Ek Baat. The program ended with College Dua and National Anthem sung by the choir group.



Lastly, the College students walked past the Medal and Citation and retreated to their classes, holding their heads high in pride.

Later, in the same manner, Unity College II Shift also hosted a special programme to offer a reverend tribute to the Founder President and their Messiah. Principal Ms. Shabana Ahmad shed light on his incredible work in the field of education, especially for the marginalised aspirants. She exhorted the students to excel in education and carry forward his legacy of reform, "Education makes communities."

## SPIN THE YARN CONTEST

Unity College organised a Creative Writing Contest for classes VI to XI on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2021. The event was organised by the English Department. The objective of the event was to ignite a creative spark in the students, to hone their communication skills and effective expression of ideas and thoughts in an impressive manner.



The Juniors and Seniors were given different story lines around which they had to spin the yarn and come up with creative stories. The participants came up with compelling, coherent short stories containing well-organized features, characters, dialogues and climax.

The result was declared class wise, as given below:

CLASS VI	Suroor Fatima (VI-A) Huda Fatima (VI-B) Sanad Ali Rizvi (VI-C)	I II III
CLASS VII	Anam Zehra (VII-A) Sameer Husain (VII-C) Yash Saini (VII-B)	I II III
CLASS VIII	Fatima Moosvi (VIII-B) Insha Haider (VIII-C) Adeeba Yaqub (VIII-A)	I II III
CLASS IX	Kulsoom Zehra (IX-A) Md. Rizwan (IX-C) Tabsheer Fatima (IX-B)	I II III
CLASS X	Saher Bano (X-A) Alfiya Fatima (X-A) Mohd. Sadiq (X-B)	I II III
CLASS XI	Butool Fatima (XI-B) Butool Uzma (XI-B) Durfishan Fatima (XI-A)	I II III

The winners were honoured with certificates amidst loud applause in the morning assembly. Principal Mr. Francis Castelino appreciated the vivacious participation of the students and their commendable writing skills.



Dr. Sadiq is truly called 'An Ambassador of Education and Messiah of the Downtrodden' for his exemplary services to humanity.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino addressed the gathering and said that Janab dedicated his whole life to the service of humanity. Now it is our duty to carry forward his good work and the trail of light that he left behind and strive for the College Motto - 'Excellence in Education'.



The programme commenced with soulful renditions of the Holy Scriptures followed by an array of beautiful performances by Unity College and Unity College II Shift students, bringing to light and life, the journey of our beloved Janab's outstanding life and accomplishments.

Mr. Jagdish Gandhi- Founder President, CMS, recollected the sweet memories of Janab and said that there was never a meeting where Janab would not stress on Hindu-Muslim unity.



Ex Vice-Principal Ms. T. Z. Naqvi presented a wreath of self-composed verses highlighting the struggle that Janab had gone through in establishing the College and above all, his advocacy for girls' education parallel to that of boys.

Ex-Hindi Teacher Ms. Veena Sharma read self-authored lines in his remembrance and honour. Ex-students Dr. Shiraz Hasan Rizvi and Dr. Zehra Akhtar from Era Medical College, on behalf of the Unity Alumni Association, presented blankets to the helping staff of Unity College and Unity College II Shift.



Dr. S. Kalbe Sibtain Noorie, Janab's son and Manager - Unity College II Shift, said that his honourable father

## UNITY COMMEMORATES FOUNDER'S MEMORIAL DAY

Unity College commemorated the first death anniversary of its Founder President Late Dr. S. Kalbe Sadiq who embarked upon his heavenly journey on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2020. Padam Bhushan Awardee

was the torchbearer not only for his community but also for every seeker. He exhorted one and all to live up to his legacy of modern education and take forward his mission. Lastly, he urged the TMT beneficiaries to contribute to the philanthropic mission of Janab.



The Founder's Memorial Day culminated with the vote of thanks by Jt. Secretary Dr. M. Talha. He said his teachings and institutions will continue to make a difference in the ages to come. Though Janab is no more in person, his progressive influence will continue to guide one and all.

## UNITY STUDENTS RECEIVE EDUCATIONAL GRANT @ HOPE INITIATIVE

Hope Initiative regularly organises Health and Hygiene programmes in Unity College every year via the ready coordination of College Counsellor Ms. Nisar Fatima Rizvi. Besides, the group not only takes effective initiatives in promoting academics but also works tirelessly to spread smiles and hope among the disadvantaged, especially during the pandemic.



On 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, Ms. Shipra Saxena- Senior Manager, Hope Initiative Group presented the Tara Modi Educational Grant to Innama Jafri of class X (Science) and the Tara Modi Laptop Award to Tatheer Zehra of class XII (Science). This magnanimous motivation will surely stimulate the students' academic performance and ignite hope in distress.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino expressed profound gratitude to the prestigious organisation, especially Donor Mr. R.C. Modi, for extending educational grants so generously to Unity students.

## UNITY SHINING @ CENTENNIAL DAY CELEBRATION OF LUCKNOW ZOO

Nawab Wajid Ali Shah Prani Udyaan, Lucknow organized a ten day long activity based programme for the students of classes I to XII on the occasion of its Centennial Celebrations. Commencing from 16<sup>th</sup>



November, it concluded on 26<sup>th</sup> of the month. Unity students participated zealously in a number of events namely Essay Writing, Poem Writing, Face

Painting, Drawing and Painting, Slogan Writing and Rangoli and brought laurels to the College.

In Poem Writing, Ehsas Zehra of Class VII-A got the 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize while in Face Painting Durfishan Fatima and Sara Ziauddin of class XI-A bagged the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize. Budding artist Durfishan painted Sara's face as a ferocious white lion so well that one could almost mistake it for a real beast.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino congratulated the winners and urged them to conserve the environment and wildlife for a peaceful co-existence and a better tomorrow.



## SNAP A SHOT



On 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, the Secondary Section organised a Photography Contest-'Snap a Shot' with the prime objective to inspire the budding photographers and to

provide an opportunity where they can hone their latent skills. It was a creative event at which the participants had to capture "My School" from the front view, showing both the architectural beauty and the lush green campus, besides conserving and valuing their 'Light-House' as well.

At the onset of the contest, the Vice Principal explained the rules and regulations to be followed while clicking the pictures and the judgement criteria to the contestants. Art Teacher, Ms. Upasana Rastogi was the judge for the Competition.



The activity culminated into a great event which helped in discovering the aspiring photographers.

The results of the contest are as given below:

CLASS VI	Rohma Arif VI C Angel Fatima VI A S. Eshail Zaidi VI B	I II III
CLASS VII	Safeena Naqvi VII B Ayaan Abbas VII C Kaval Rizvi VII A	I II III
CLASS VIII	Wassaf Javed VIII B Areeba Sajid VIII C Sameen Fatima VIII A	I II III
CLASS IX	Areeba Saleem IX A Zehra Moosvi IX C Mustafa Sadiq IX B	I II III
CLASS XI	Iqra Hashmi XI B S. Saif Ali Rizvi XI B Fatmi Tahir XI A Fazil Abbas XI C	I II III III

## COMPUTER COMPETITION @ PRIMARY

A Computer Competition was held on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 in the Primary Section of Unity College.



Various competitions were held according to students' age level, ranging from drawing, typing and formatting to testing the typing speed and making PowerPoint presentations. Students in all grades demonstrated their abilities in using computers through this competition and did their tasks given to them successfully.

Such competitions help in developing computer skills which are essential in improving their academic performance.



The results of the Competition are as mentioned below:

CLASS-I I-A 1. Sabeen Zehra 2. Rafaat Fatima 3. Mohd Abis	CLASS-II II-A 1. Imdad Ali 2. Areeba Fatima 3. Wajihah Agha	CLASS-III III-A 1. Qaima Mehdi 2. Mohd. Arsh 3. Lubaba Fatima	CLASS-IV IV-A 1. Tatheer Zehra 2. Anamta Zehra Rizvi 3. Mohd. Shams Haider	CLASS-V V-A 1. Adeeba Zehra 2. Shifa Fatima 3. Masooma Fatima
I-B 1. Butool Sarkar 2. Mohammad Ali 3. Fatima Kazmi	II-B 1. Samana 2. Mohd. Yousuf 3. Wajihah Fatima	III-B 1. Samana 2. Mohd. Yousuf 3. Wajihah Fatima	IV-B 1. Kusha Bano 2. Innama Abbas 2. Seqaha Fatima	V-B 1. Sami Abbas 2. Kulsum Mehdi Zaidi 3. Almas Fatima
I-C 1. Wali Husain 2. Azlaan Zaidi 3. Fairiyah Fatima	II-C 1. Mantasha Zahra 2. Khadija Hasan Rizvi 3. Amaan Abbas	III-C 1. Masooma Zaidi 2. Abdul Samad 3. Saba Fatima	IV-C 1. Armaan Husain 2. Zainab Bano 3. Sara Zehra	V-C 1. Atif Akhtar 2. Mohd Sadiq 3. Aatifa Zainab Kazmi

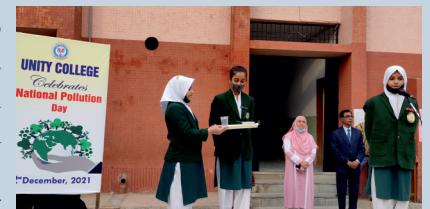
## NATIONAL POLLUTION DAY

Unity College observed National Pollution Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2021. Various activities were carried out on this day with an aim to sensitize the students towards the hazardous effects of high pollution and to motivate them to adopt preventive measures at large for controlling air, soil, noise and water pollution.



To make students aware of the uses of waste material and to give them a lesson on reducing waste to save our future, 'Best out of Waste' activities were organized in Pre-Primary

Section while a special assembly was held in the Primary Section with a purpose to create awareness of environmental pollution issues being faced and how one can contribute towards saving the environment. In the Senior Section, Collage Making Competition was conducted for classes VI to IX and XI to mark the fateful Bhopal Gas Tragedy and to spread awareness about the harmful effects of pollution and how to manage, control and prevent pollution.



Principal Mr. Francis Castelino appreciated the efforts put in by the students and teachers to spread an awakening call to save Mother Earth.

## INSPIRING MEET OF SUCCESS

On 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2021, Unity College invited Sheikh Muhib Ali from Mumbai to address the aspiring students of class XI. Muhib qualified the all India JEE Mains in 2021 and shared his success story of the

struggle and hard work that led him to getting selected in IIT, Kharagpur. He stressed whether you join a coaching or do self-study, sincerity, discipline, consistency and perseverance are necessary. Above all, 'Work in Silence' should be adopted. He also addressed students'



queries with utmost patience and dedication. Lastly, he said it is better to set a long term goal that is beyond the immediate short term goals.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino applauded, saying that it is always appreciable when young ones get such exposure and go ahead in life. He also acknowledged his remarkable success with a Merit Certificate granted as a special honour by TMT.

## UNITY CLINCHES POPULAR CHOICE AWARD @ YAUM-E-IQBAL INAMI MUQABALA, BAZM-E-URDU, DUBAI

On 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, Yaum-e-Iqbal Inami Muqabala was organised by Bazm-e-Urdu, Dubai via the online platform of YouTube. The event aimed at

offering a rich tribute to the great Urdu poet Allama Iqbal, besides promoting and reviving the sweet language of the world at a young age for the future generations.

The participants were asked to upload their videos reciting the Nazms or Nagme of Allama Iqbal. The contest witnessed an influx of entries from India, Pakistan and UAE. Twenty videos were finalized as the best ones, out of which eight were of Unity students.



Out of all the selected entries, Zehra Moosvi of IX-C, bagged the Popular Choice Award with a cash prize of 50 dollars in the felicitation programme at the Centurion, Wave Mall,

Gomti Nagar, Lucknow on 9<sup>th</sup> December. The rest of the seven participants too received Participation Certificates.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino congratulated the students and Urdu teachers for the commendable performance on the International Platform.

## UNITY JOINS 'AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV'

The Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is an initiative by the Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of progressive India as well as its glorious history.

The Mahotsav is dedicated to the people of India who have not only been instrumental in bringing India to the present advanced state but also hold the power of a common man to visualise Prime Minister's vision of 'Atmanirbhar Bharat'.



Unity College joined the Postcard Campaign under 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2021. Classes IV to IX and XI expressed power pact emotions and visions on the topics, 'Unsung Heroes of Freedom Struggle' and 'My Vision of India in 2047' on a postcard. Later, the best ten entries were selected by the College and uploaded on the mygov.in portal. Indeed, the event struck the very cord of nationalism in students, besides providing a wide platform for self-expression of envisioned thoughts.

## UNITY WATER HEROES AT NADI UTSAV

As a part of 'Daan Utsav' and to contribute to sustainable development goals, Unity College in collaboration with Prithvi Innovations happily initiated 'Nadi Utsav' as a part of its ongoing Water Conservation project at Jhulelal Park on 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2021. The participants of the project were the same 10 students and teachers who have been working on this project as a part of Daan Utsav.

The College joined the dots and created a wave of water conservation by engaging these participants from the College in 'Nadi Utsav' as a concern for saving Water- A lifeline for all.

Some interesting Green ideas and Green actions that were a part of this project were Shram Daan (Garbage Collection), Plantation Drive, Greeting Card Making Competition, Quiz Competition, Extempore, Experiments to test different water samples and lastly Water Purifiers were given to two water heroes of the College. In addition, the students were asked to collect the



garbage from the nearby areas and put them in the trash bags. It was a major step towards a clean and clear future.



Following are the winners who were awarded:

Water Purifier Mohd Yunus -V-C Nashra Fatima-VIII-A	Quiz Kabir Zaidi- VIII-B Yusra Husain- V-B Mohd Yunus -V-C Tehzeen Fatima- V-B
Extempore Sara Iqbal- VIII-B Fatima Raza -VIII-B Mohd Yunus -V-C	Greeting Card Making Competition Nashra Fatima-VIII-A Unnati -VIII-A

## UNITY@YAAD-E-SADIQ

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December, the Seminar 'Yaad-e-Sadiq' was conducted which was a heart-felt tribute to Padma Bhushan recipient Late Dr. S. Kalbe Sadiq. He was a reformer, an educationist, a philosopher, a thinker, a visionary, an extraordinary leader, yet a human being. His incredible work in the field of Education and Excellence, Health and Medicine, and Inter-religious Harmony has brought about a revival in modernisation and peaceful living.

The event was organised by Prime Media Solutions in association with Dr. Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed Memorial Committee, Lucknow and presided over by Prof. Dr. Sharib Rudaulvi. The programme was graced by the benign presence of Honourable Governor of Kerala, Mr. Arif Mohd. Khan as the Chief Guest, Mr. Athar Sagheer Zaidi as the Guest of Honour and Dr. S. Kalbe Sibtain Noorie.

Unity College marked its presence by commencing the programme with a soulful divine rendition. Faris Abrar of class VIII-C beautifully rendered the Quran, Majida of class IX-A read a verse from the Bible, while Anamta Mirza of XI-B and Inisia Zehra of XI-C recited shlokas from the Geeta. Their brilliant renditions were appreciated by the guests and the stage presentation by Ms. Fatima as well.

## INTERFAITH TALK

*"Blessed are the peacemakers." -Mathew 5: 9*

Unity College most graciously welcomed Rev. Fr. (Dr.) Donald De Souza - Parish Priest of St. Joseph's Cathedral Church, Lucknow and Manager of the two prestigious city schools- St. Francis College and

Cathedral Sr. Sec. School for an Interfaith Talk on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2021. The 'Interfaith Talk' has been in a series of enlightening discourses scheduled by the College with the prime objective to enlighten the students about the importance of interfaith and religious harmony.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino warmly welcomed Rev. Fr. (Dr.) De Souza. He said the hallmark of every religion is peace and motivated the students to study other religions too in order to live in peace and harmony.



Rev. Fr. De Souza shared some reflections on the teachings of Jesus Christ. He said that we all know the world today needs peace and harmony. There is so much turmoil all around us; constant fear of war among nations, skirmishes between nations or within a nation. In such an atmosphere, the whole being of Christmas becomes very relevant for it is a message of Peace, Joy, Love and Brotherhood. We all are called upon to practice the same in our daily life. He also shed light on the references of peace in the Old as well as the New Testaments and the four versions of the Gospel. All through, the Bible speaks of peace and that the Lord

blesses His people with peace. He further reflected on the tremendous similarities between both the faiths that have more in common than that which separates them. He concluded with Christmas greetings and wished the young citizens to become the messengers of peace.

It was followed by a rich discourse of students with Rev. Fr. De Souza.

College Jt. Secretary Dr. M. Talha gave a vote of thanks. He said though every religion speaks for peace, there is a dissonance between what we say and what we do. History stands witness that religious people are not always peace loving. Many men like Hitler and Saddam Hussain were very religious; still they had been very cruel to humanity.

The discourse of Peace and Harmony culminated on the universal note- 'Love to God is love for His creatures'.



## SHIREEN ZABAN URDU

Urdu has been widely recognised as one of the sweetest languages of the world. Spoken by more than a 100 million people, its literature is rich with a plethora of genres and enjoyed by not only the Urdu speakers but people at large.



Every academic year of Unity College is marked with the Annual Urdu Programme on a different theme and style. This year the literary programme encompassed four contests - Quiz, Speech, Script

Reading and Bait Baazi. The preliminary rounds of all the events were conducted a couple of days prior to the final day.

On the final day of 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021, an assemblage of distinguished literary personalities were welcomed by Principal Mr. Francis Castelino. Chief Guest Mr. Athar Sagheer Zaidi- Chairman Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed-Memorial Committee and a renowned social activist, graced the occasion with his benign presence. Mr. Zaidi announced his generous

pursuit to rename a road near Era Medical College as

Dr. Kalbe Sadiq Road and to build the main gate near Unity College in his memory. He also said that we should take forward his vision and change the College into a University.

Renowned Writer, Critic and founder of academic institutions, Janab Sharib Rudaulvi highly appreciated the remarkable performance of the students. At the same moment, he shed light on the significance of co-curricular activities and that such forums are necessary to learn correct pronunciation, annotation, expression and other nuances of literature.



The members of the jury for the occasion were poetess Mrs. Hina Haider Rizvi, Mrs. Asmat Jahan -Teacher, Taleemgah Niswan, Mr. Karrar Asghar Zaidi- Manager, Unity I. T. I. and distinguished Urdu poet Mr. Basheer-ul- Hasan Khan.



The distinguished guests, Prof. Anees Ashfaq- Ex-Head of Urdu Department, LU, Prof. Sabira Habib- Ex-Head of Urdu Department, LU and Mr. Makhmoor Kakorvi -esteemed poet, also graced the occasion.

At the onset, the soulful divine renditions of the Quran, the Gita and the Bible set the tone of the literary feast. The enthusiastic participation of both the Shifts of Unity College made the event enthralling. Wara Fatima, Nashra Fatima, Baseerat Fatima and Hal Ata Abbas presented their views in a mesmerizing manner on the topic 'Meer Anis Ki Shaeri Ke Fanni Mahasin', punctuated with his lovely, picturesque poetry. Their enchanting delivery spellbound one and all. It was interspersed with the heart touching, mellifluous poetry of Allama Iqbal by Zehra Moosvi, Baseerat Fatima and Hal Ata Abbas who have been some of the shortlisted eight students of Unity College in the online Yaum-e-Iqbal Inami Muqabala, Bazme Urdu, Dubai.



The cynosure of the programme was Bait Baazi. Excitement was writ large as the participants presented one after another, couplets of great poets to continue the contest. The captivating exchange of gripping couplets between Team



Mirza Ghalib of Unity College and Team Faiz Ahmed Faiz of Unity College II Shift set the stage for the 1st and 2nd place in which Team Faiz Ahmed Faiz was announced the winner. Team Meer Taqi Meer was adjudged at the 3rd place after a close contest with Team Meer Hasan.

In the Speech Contest, Baseerat Fatima bagged the 1st place, followed by Hal Ata Abbas and Nashra Fatima as the 1st and the 2nd Runners up. In the Script Reading, the 1st prize was clinched by Butool Uzma, the 2nd prize shared by Fatima Rizvi and Kulsoom Fatima while the 3rd by Muskan Fatima. In the Quiz Contest Yasar Abbas and Ali Jafar jointly received the 1st prize while Mohd. Aqib and Wajeeha Zehra, the 2nd and 3rd prizes.

The literary treat culminated with a vote of thanks by College Jt. Secretary Mr. M. Talha. He concluded with a kind wish for the growth and enrichment of Urdu language.

## INTER-HOUSE SPORTS ACTIVITIES

The Inter-House Sports Events held on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> December at Unity College witnessed the teams vying for the trophy and the Housemates edging zealously for their respective teams.



The Inter-House Football Match between Tagore and Iqbal House became breath-taking when the lone goal made by Ghazi led Iqbal House to register its win over the rival team.

The House spirit was very high as the Inter-House Girls Badminton Tournament was played on the ground encircled by the enthusiastic supporters. In the final match, Gandhi House defeated Sir Syed House to clinch the 1<sup>st</sup> place, while Tagore and Iqbal House got the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place respectively.

The next was the Inter-House Girls Volleyball Tournament. In the final match, Tagore House defeated Gandhi House to clinch the 1<sup>st</sup> place, while Sir Syed and Iqbal House got the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place respectively.

Last but no less thrilling was the Inter-House Girls Kho-Kho Match. Amidst loud cheers, Tagore House registered its win, followed by Gandhi House and Iqbal House as the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners Up.



Principal Mr. Francis Castelino congratulated the



winning teams and appreciated the healthy competition between the Houses. He motivated the students for healthy participation and enriching experiences.

## UNITY CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS

Just a day ahead of everyone's favourite festival 'Christmas', Unity students and staff gathered on the main ground to celebrate the D-day amidst joy and cheers.

The special morning assembly witnessed the very spirit

of the happy occasion as the choir group arrayed in Red Christmas caps. The mellifluous carol 'Praise Him in the Morning' echoed all around, followed by Christmas greetings. Students came forward one after another and presented beautifully the four symbols associated with Christmas and told their significance as well. The meticulous show not only abreast the young learners about the spirit of the festival but also enthused them to be good humans.



Principal Mr. Francis Castelino said that Christmas is a feast of Love, Joy and Peace. This is what we all require to live a happy, peaceful life. When we share the love in us with others, it brings a big difference around us.

Later, all the staff members relished a Christmas Treat and enjoyed a get together. The celebration concluded with warm wishes of Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

In order to ignite the imagination in young minds and enhance creative skills, the Pre-Primary Section devised a strategic plan to conduct creative activities every Saturday with the hope that the effort shall help in promoting fine motor skills, concentration, self expression and focus of the young children.



The Section immediately complied with the plan of action and has conducted a few innovative activities so far. To begin with, '**Muharram with a Mask**' activity was carried out via Zoom on 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 with an aim to spread awareness among the children about safety and hygiene during the Muharram gatherings. The students of LN, UN and Prep did an unmediated activity of making masks using paper and rubber bands. On the completion of the activity, the children recited 'Nauhas' beautifully. They were also told to wear a mask during Majlis and spread awareness among others too.

Next, was an '**Art and Craft**' activity carried out for the tiny tots on 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 via Zoom with the

prime objective to promote creativity and self expression. In LN a hands-on activity of 'Balloon Elephant Making' was conducted while in UN, 'Boat Craft Making Activity' and 'Paper Aquarium Activity' in Prep were conducted with full zeal and enthusiasm.



A hands-on activity of '**Creative Painting**' was conducted on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November for the students of classes UN and Prep. The students had to paint by dabbing the cotton head of ear buds into the paint and then onto the paper. UN students made parts of the plant and got a great learning experience in an interesting way, while class Prep presented stunning artwork by making corn cobs using ear buds and different colours. They followed the instructions given by the teachers and made beautiful corn trees.

Lastly on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2021, **Colours Day** was celebrated and various enjoyable activities were conducted for the children like Cotton Printing, Hand Printing and Blow Colour for LN, UN and Prep classes respectively. The purpose of doing these activities was to provide an experience of creativity and create colour awareness

The children actively participated throughout the sessions, thoroughly enjoyed all the activities and completed them beautifully by following their teachers' instructions and under parents' supervision.



Such creative sessions enable a child to express himself better and further help in developing his/her cognitive and emotional domain, thereby building confidence.

## COMPUTERS TOWARDS A BETTER CAREER

There is no denying the fact that IT has captured homes, educational institutions and all commercial places. This has sparked in taking Indians to render services all around the globe.

The IT Industries thrust open abundance of job avenues as given below:

- Data Entry Operator: Feeds data for Information Processing.
- Programmer: Writes code in Computer

Programming Language to solve specific problems.

- Network Administrator: Manages network and ensures proper functioning of all workstations.
- System Analyst: Helps in analysing and then designing the system/process to facilitate smooth functioning.
- Database Management: Manages and secures data.
- Software Engineer: Develops highly advanced programs to meet the needs of system and hardware.
- Hardware Engineer: Looks after the different components of the computer and peripherals attached to the system, develops advanced technology for future use.
- Computer Marketing Professional: Responsible for ensuring the selling of Computer and other technology and customised software too.
- Web Developer: Creates new web sites and provides an interface to the end user.
- Multi Media Professionals: Prepares presentations for different programmes.
- E-Commerce: Provides a platform or a common platform to buy and sell products.
- Data Scientist: Works towards the safety of data to be used by any institution or individual.
- Data Analytics: Analyses data to provide meaningful results which help in the betterment of performance.
- Cyber Security: Secures online working.
- Online Gaming and Ethical Hacking are also some trends in the IT industry.

If you are a degree holder in Computer Science/IT/Electronics you can easily get into the above mentioned jobs. Degrees can be obtained from any recognised Universities/Institutions in the form of B.Tech, MCA, BSc (IT), and MSc (IT). Diploma holders can also be absorbed for technical support and maintenance work. If you want to switch over towards management, an MBA degree would be of great help.

Above all, the most important aspect for a successful career is academic excellence, so that you are able to crack competitive examinations and pursue the career of your choice. Every child is capable of doing his best, the only thing required is a strong will. Believe in yourself and definitely you will succeed.

All the Best for a bright future!

**Mr. S. Bharti**  
Vice-Principal



## MONTESORI ACTIVITIES

### 1. CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

To spread the magic of love, joy and cheer, the tiny-tots of Montessori classes celebrated Children's Day on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, with enthusiasm. The day began with blissful greetings. The



teachers apprised them of the significance of the celebration of childhood. They also sang children's favourite lines which were joined by the jubilant children as well. Then they merrily played a number of fun games like book balancing, frog race and dancing on their favourite tracks. All day long, the classrooms buzzed with excitement and cheers. The day became all the more special when the students received small gifts and chocolates as a token of love. The festive day culminated with broad smiles and happy memories.

### 2. RED DAY

*"The colour of love and smiles illuminates the air with energy, vigor and exuberance....."*



'Red' colour symbolizes enthusiasm, life and vitality. Montessori Classes celebrated Red Day to introduce children into the mesmerizing realm of Red colour. The whole day witnessed the beautiful spectrum of different hues of Red. The day started off with the smiling students entering the classes in Red garbs, even their teachers too. Classes were decorated with Red balloons to make tiny tots feel bright, lively and cheerful. Students were engaged in craft activities of making Red paper cards, Red crab and fish, Red flowers and heart shaped craft. Bulletin boards displayed Red craft work made by the children. Over all, it was a fun and everlasting learning experience for the students.

### 3. CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION

Christmas brings cheer and love. Montessori Classes celebrated the D-day on 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2021, with the same fervour, spreading the message of love and joy among all. On the day of celebration, the children and the staff came all dressed in Red. Children were wearing Santa Caps. The celebration commenced with the lovely song 'We wish you a Merry Christmas and a

Happy New Year' sung by students and teachers together. The merry greetings echoed all around. Then the kids were told about the significance of the day by their respective teachers. The celebration culminated with double joy as the smiling children received lovely Santa gifts.



## TAQREERI MUQABLA, AMIRUDDAULA ISLAMIA INTER COLLEGE, LUCKNOW

Students of Unity College II Shift scaled the top place in the Inter-School Taqreeri Muqabla organised by Amiruddaula Islamia Inter College, Lucknow on 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. The details of participation are given below:

Saba Fatima and Azra Fatima brought laurels to the College by securing the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize in their groups. All the other students also did very well and gave a tough competition to their rivals. Their performance was also appreciated by the honourable Judges. Principal Ms. Shabana Ahmad congratulated the winners and boosted the morale of the students. She said their participation on a wider platform is no less important, it is always an enriching experience.

## MAJLIS-E-AZA

A Majlis-e-Aza was organised by Unity College II Shift on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2021, to pay homage to Mohibbe-Ahlebait(A.S.).

The beautiful Tilawat-e-Quran by Ali Farman commenced the solemn Majlis of spiritual renditions followed by the heart touching Salam presented by Sana Mehdi, Sana Fatima, Innama Kazmi, Alish Zaidi, Bilal Hasan. The mournful Marsiya by Inshba Fatima Arhamra Zehra, Saman Fatima and Rehnuma Abidi, Kalbe Haider of class XII carried on the programme further. Fazal Abbas of class X addressed the Majlis and shed light on the teachings of Imam Husain (A.S.). In conclusion, a Noha by students offered a sorrowful wreath to the Martyrs of Karbala.

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