



NEWS & VIEWS

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From the Principal's Desk

Greetings to the Messengers of Knowledge!

Mrs. Indira Gandhi has rightly said, "A Nation's wellbeing depends on the teacher's wellbeing. Our teachers are the custodians of our future." Great teachers are not born in the minds of the students but they are born in the hearts of the students and a good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to light the way for others.

I personally believe there is no substitute to quality education because it helps in changing the lives of thousands of individuals and their families forever. More importantly, it is most critical to the growth of a backward community and a nation like India at large. This is precisely the idea behind our motto- "Excellence in Education."

I would like to thank my teachers warmly and with appreciation for your confidence and commitment to teaching young minds, which comprise mostly the first generation learners. Your efforts and hard work over the past years are unparalleled. Many of you have gone the extra mile to ensure that the student's needs are completely met and that their difficulties are understood, and that they could achieve their dreams and meet the pinnacle.

We all owe our success to our wonderful teachers in one way or another, who teach us about life with such care and passion. We are overwhelmed with great love and joy reminiscing about our lovely educators growing up.

May God bless you with the strength to achieve greater personal and professional growth in the years to come!

Francis Castelino



INVESTITURE CEREMONY

"Leaders are not born; but they are made!"

A school is the very place where leaders are fashioned, honed and bred. In keeping with the same dogma, Unity College held the 'Investiture Ceremony 2022-23' amidst the dignity and fervour of school spirit. The Senior Office Bearers were inducted on 8th July, while the Juniors on 13th July.



The event was presided over by Principal Mr. Francis Castelino. He administered the newly invested office bearers' pledge to bestow their duties to the best of their abilities for the betterment of the institution and to work for the greater glory of God, the country and countrymen. Donning the mantle of accountability, they were honoured with their respective badges and



sashes such as Head Boy, Head Girl and other designations. It was a grand spectrum as the College Flag and Head Boy S. Tauseef Hasan of XII C and Head Girl Qaima Zehra of XII A expressed gratitude for the reliance and confidence that the College consigned to them.



They vowed to carry out their duties with integrity, faith and excellence. The National Anthem marked the closure of the function.

STUDENT DELEGATION AT UNITY

Unity College hosted a Student Exchange Programme to hail the Student Delegation from Gandhiji School, Pondicherry and Apna School, Kanpur. The delegation of class X students and teachers was formally welcomed by Principal, Mr. Francis Castelino.

The guests were abreast with the College activities and achievements via a PPT. Ms. Shabana Ahmad, Principal, Unity College II Shift briefed the screen display of the proud academic journey, which was followed by a small ice-breaker activity.

Ms. Ezabella from Belgium, a social activist shared that both the schools accommodate poverty stricken children of labourers under the aegis of Mala India Foundation and Asha Trust. The College Secretary, Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi emphasized the conceptual as well as employment-driven education. The goodwill meet concluded with a sumptuous lunch and the College tour.

PAPER AND CLOTH BAG DISTRIBUTION BY UNEP MEMBERS OF UNITY

Unity College observed 'World Paper Bag Day' on 12th July, 2022 to mark the eco-friendly substitute for plastic bags. After demonstration in class, the students were asked to make paper and cloth bags so as to reduce the use of plastic bags.



As a part of only One Earth Action Programme by UNEP, the members led by Headmistress Ms. Kainaat Mansoor along with Ms. Huma Rizvi, Ms. Fizza Mehdi and Ms. Eva Abbas organised the entire event. The teachers and the student members then went ahead to distribute these bags among local shopkeepers, vegetable vendors and fruit sellers on 14th July. They were also made aware of the harmful effects of plastic bags that must be easily replaced by 100% biodegradable, reusable, and recyclable paper bags.

VIRTUAL VISITS TO JAPANESE UNIVERSITIES BY UNITY STUDENTS

Unity College set up virtual visits to three prime Japanese Universities via ZOOM webinars, coordinated by teacher Ms. Fauzia Abbas.

The first session held on 29th May introduced the students to Tohoku University, Sendai. The aspirants were acquainted with the different courses and facilities available there.

On 18th June, the webinar '14th SSP Online Visit - Osaka University' was organised by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) under the Sakura Science Program (SSP). The students were made acquainted with the various undergraduate and graduate courses and other details regarding admission, dormitories, etc. In addition, Mock Lectures on topics 'Digitising Reality' and 'Fruit Flies tell the Secret of Germ-line Cells' were delivered by the University Professors. Moreover, two of its international students also shared their campus experiences.

On 16th July, the third webinar organised by Hokkaido University, Sapporo, facilitated comprehensive information regarding various courses, tuition fee, living accommodation and fee waiver programmes offered by the University.

In conclusion, the students' queries were addressed in detail. The webinars laid open myriad opportunities abroad for the interested students, equipping them to go for the best option.

MERITORIOUS BOARD STUDENTS, PROUD TEACHERS AND PARENTS @ UNITY

"Felicitation is an inspiration to others and motivation to whom you are felicitating."

Unity College exuberantly felicitated the Shining Stars of ICSE and ISC 2022 in a two-day Felicitation Function scheduled on 18th and 26th July just after the result declarations. Keeping in line with its practice of excellent results, this year too despite all odds and roller coaster shifts of online and offline paradigms, even the induction of

MCQs and the Semester System, the students registered the best of all previous years' Board results.

In ICSE, the College registered stupendous result of 100%, with none failing in any of the subjects. In total, 126 students wrote the exam. 34 students scored above 90%, 39 students obtained above 80%, while the rest registered between 63% and 79%. What is commendable was the average percent of 82.23%. The highest marks in Computer Application, Commercial Studies and Urdu were 100%.

In ISC, again, it reported a 100% pass percentage with average marks of 79.60%. In total, 127 students wrote the exam: 18 students scored above 90%, 50 students obtained above 80%, while the rest registered between 57% and 79%.



The propitious Programme commenced with the divine rendition. It was followed by garlanding the toppers and the meritorious students who scored above 90%. The parents along with their wards were conferred with honour.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino congratulated the successful learners, their teachers and parents. He was overwhelmed to acknowledge that the result was at par excellence, which was the vision of College Founder Padma Bhushan recipient (late), Dr. S. Kalbe Sadiq.

College Secretary Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi exhorted the meritorious students that they should be persistent in their journey of excellence, aiming to carve their niche in career avenues.

College Jt. Secretary Dr. M. Talha appreciated the brilliant result. At the same time, he motivated the low performers to architect their success with hard work and determination.



CLASS X
Syed Siddiq Husain
Musanna
98.40%



CLASS X
Mohammad Sadiq
98.20%



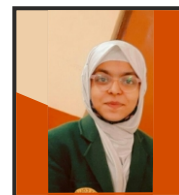
CLASS X
Taiba Basit
95.80%



CLASS XII
Afifa Fatima
95.5%



CLASS XII
Attruba Fatima
93.75%



CLASS XII
Fizza Rizvi
93.75%

Also present on 18th July was distinguished Guest Maulana Ehtisham ul Hasan. He blessed the hi-flyers to scale the pinnacle of success in their future endeavours, besides being truthful and noble.

Dr. Kalbe Sibtain Noorie, Manager- Unity College II Shift, highlighted Janab's Will of 'No Favouritism at the time of Admission' and 'Honesty in all Affairs'. This, he claimed, was one of the biggest factors behind the excellent result of the year.

The Felicitation Ceremony culminated with vote of thanks by Vice Principal Mr. Sachindra Bharti. The curtains were drawn with sweet refreshments that sweetened the spirit of the radiant learners, proud teachers and parents.

COUNSELLING OF ICSE TOPPERS

On 21st July, 2022, an Interactive Counselling Session of ICSE toppers of 2022 batch, Siddiq Husain Mussana and Sadiq Husain was held via an online platform at Unity College with Mr. S. M. Raza - Mathematics Centre Head, Allen Coaching, Kota.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino, Vice Principal Mr. Sachindra Bharti and Counsellor Ms. Nisar Fatima were also present in the meeting.

Mr. Raza apprised the toppers of the Universities and Institutions in India and abroad and also briefed them about various competitive courses and degrees available in the present arena of work fields. The Academic Meet was a success to ensure that the hi-flyers may soar higher in the free sky.



UNITY @ BOULEVARD 2022

The Senior students of Unity College with their impeccable and charismatic skills and jaw dropping performances, added another feather in the school cap by winning the III prize in Storytelling and Pixel Graphic Designing at Boulevard 2022, organized by St. Agnes' Loreto Day College, Lucknow, on 23rd July. They also marked their commendable participation in other events like Dramatic Personae, Extempore, Debate, Paper Couture, Comic Strip Writing and Graphic Designing.



GULDASTA - E - SUKHAN

'Guldasta-e-Sukhan' - the Annual Urdu Literary Programme of Unity College rocked the stage amidst a wave of acclamation on 28th July, 2022. The prime objective was to create awareness and appreciation for Urdu among young learners and to celebrate the multifaceted nature of Urdu - its beauty and versatility.



The Chief Guest for the occasion was Dr. Sabiha Anwar – Retd. Principal, Karamat Degree College, Lucknow. Also present were Prof. Qamar Jahan-Ex HOD (Hindi), BHU, Ms. Tabassum Kidwai - Ex Principal, Talim Gah-e-Niswan College and Managing Committee Members- Prof. Anis Ashfaq, Prof. Sabira Habib and Dr. Kalbe Sibtain Noorie. College Principal Mr. Francis Castelino welcomed the guests with warm greetings.



Praising the meticulous performances, Dr. Sabiha Anwar said the actual appreciation is for the committed teachers who had trained the children so well.

Dr. Ashfaq complemented the program as flawless, excellent and incredible. Jt. Secretary Dr. M. Talha exhorted the mothers to keep Urdu alive by communicating in the language with their kids.

The Cultural Event presented a lovely bouquet of Drama, Ghazal, Nazm and Qawwali. After the soulful Tilawat-e-Quran, the first in the literary string was the mind-blowing drama Shajar-e-Ulfat put up



by the Secondary Section. The meticulous cast was at par with the contemporary conflict due to the generation gap and deteriorating family values.



Next was the grand spectrum of Indian Culture: 'Unity in Diversity' and 'Brotherhood among

Citizens'. Pre-Primary & Primary students presented the mesmerizing action song 'Sab Hind ke Wasi Hai' that impressed a wave of affinity and appreciation in the audience.



Last but not the least was the melodious Qawwali on the lines of the enlightening poetry 'Shikwa Jawab-e-Shikwa' by Allama Iqbal. The jaw dropping performance of the Secondary and Senior Secondary sections stole the hearts of one and all.



The mellifluous Ghazals of Mirza Ghalib and Khumar Barabankvi, too enthralled the audience.



The curtain was drawn with the vote of thanks by Secretary Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi. He advised the students that they should love and learn other languages too but always

preserve their own language. It is the very key to the invaluable literary treasure of the Country.



MOHARRAM-SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

The precincts of Unity College draped itself in a sombre mood to mark the beginning of a six day long commemoration of the martyrs of Karbala. It was an initiative by the College Theology Department, to pay condolences to the warriors of the tragedy of Ashura. It saw a melange of orations, odes, eulogies and couplets in adulation of their valour and courage and lamenting the supreme sacrifices of Imam Hussain (A.S) in Karbala.

Principal, Mr. Francis Castelino, urged the students and everyone present to follow the teachings of Imam Hussain (A.S).

UNITY ALUMNA MS. ADIBA HONOURED

Ms. Adiba Zaidi, an Alumna of Unity College (2011 Batch), entered the Hall of Honour at the Northern Railway Operating Department, India. The Principal Chief Operations Manager felicitated Ms. Zaidi with a certificate and cash prize for her meritorious service during the year 2021-22 at National Rail Museum in New Delhi on 5th August, 2022.



Presently, she is working in the Indian Railways as a Sr. Station Master at Kundan Ganj. She also received plaudits and blessings from Principal Mr. Francis Castelino.

UNITY MARKS PRESENCE AT CONFEDERATION OF INDIAN INDUSTRY (CII)

Unity College teachers Mr. Irfan Ahmad & Mr. Mirza Saif Husain attended the workshop organized by CII (Confederation of Indian Industry) U.P. State Office, Lucknow on 5th August, 2022. The session was conducted in two phases with an objective of sensitizing senior students towards eco-friendly methods for converting a normal school to a green one.

75th AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV

The year-long festive exultation 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav', the Government's initiative, encompassed tributes to freedom heroes, novel ideas and resolutions to navigate collective endeavours to lead Mother India achieve milestones.



Unity College decked in colours of freedom, joined

the National celebrations. Keeping the spirit of Amrit Mahotsav alive, students of the Primary Section portrayed their artistic skills by designing Creative Badges, Bookmarks, T-Shirts, Wall Hangings and Informative Independence Day Guides. The Pre-Primary section too pitched in the frolic of the 75th Independence



Day and exchanged handmade greeting cards and made Tri-Colour paper butterflies and National Flags. The last day of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav witnessed another chain of



activities. The Senior Secondary students pepped up the festivity with a scintillating special assembly.

Later, the students and



faculty of Unity College with its sister institutions - Unity College II Shift, Unity Training Centre and Unity Veda Animation College also congregated to commemorate



the Independence Day. Chief Guest Mr. Aftab Ahmad Khan - IPS, IG (Retd.) CRPF hoisted the Tri-colour while the patriotic notes of the

National Anthem echoed in the premises.

Principal, Mr. Francis Castelino proposed a vote of thanks to all the dignitaries present. The occasion was coincided with Van Mahotsav. The dignitaries planted saplings in the premises to make the College green and clean.

Finally, there was the students' Tiranga Yatra that resounded in the vicinity with national slogans. The Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav concluded with sweet distribution.



UNLEASHING CREATIVITY AT UNITY COLLEGE

Unity College set the stage for an Inter-House Painting and Collage Making Competition with an aim to foster creative expressions in students on 16th August, 2022. Each House fielded four participants from the Secondary and Sr. Secondary sections. The theme for Collage Making was 'Vision for Free India' while for Painting, 'Unsung Heroes of Freedom Struggle', wherein the young artists created their masterpieces with great enthusiasm and vigour.



The Judges for the Competition – Ms. Waseem Fatima, Ms. Farida Rahat and Ms. Upasana Rastogi were overwhelmed seeing the artistic skills of students as they paid tribute to the indomitable spirit

of our valiant martyrs and unsung heroes of the freedom struggle.

Iqbal House emerged victorious in both the competitions. In Collage Making, Sir Syed House bagged the II position followed by Tagore House at III place, while in Painting, Tagore and Sir Syed House stood II and III respectively.

Indeed, the Competition was a showcase of art exploding from every piece of work.

CAREER COUNSELLING OF COMMERCE STUDENTS

Two interactive sessions of Career Counselling were organised at Unity College for the students of Commerce stream on 26th August and 29th August respectively.

The first counselling session was conducted by Ms. Samara Rizvi (CS) and Mr. Ravi, who were the resource persons from the Institute of Company Secretaries (ICSI). The session was also attended by Principal Mr. Francis Castelino, Vice Principal Mr. Sachindra Bharti and teachers from the Senior Section - Mr. Suhail Raza, Mr. Ishan D. Singh and Ms. Ghazala Jafri. Students were enthralled to

learn about the endless career opportunities they could opt for after pursuing the Company Secretary (CS) course. They were also informed about the registration process, course details, examination pattern and availability of institutes for training.

The second session focussed on how to pursue a career as a Chartered Accountant - CA. The distinguished professionals, CA, Mr. Divesh Aggarwal and Mr. Manish from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAD) addressed the students. Along with them two Alumni also graced the dais and shared their experience. Mr. Divesh enlightened the students regarding the course duration, fee, salary packages, internships, and its prospects abroad. College Secretary, Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi also inspired the students to hone their potentials and pursue their realistic goals.

Both counselling sessions concluded with an interactive question answer session, which lasted for a long time, wherein the keen and enthusiastic students posed a volley of questions to the resource persons. The sessions privileged the students with a sure assistance in finding the right resources that would enable them to further focus on their career as a Company Secretary or as a Chartered Accountant.



ASHRA-E-MAJLIS

With the intention of serving the devotees and the passers-by on the pious occasion of Ashra-e-Majlis, Ex- students of the 2020 batch of Unity College set up a grand Sabeel of water, juice and tea in the revered memory of Imam Husain A.S and the martyrs of Karbala at Jhau Lal Imambargah on 4th September, 2022, under the guidance of Ms. Nisar Fatima Rizvi. Principal, Mr. Francis Castelino showered plaudits on the pass out students for paying obeisance to the greatest gems of humanity on 27th August, 2022.

WAR OF WORDS

Debating is an excellent school tool to encourage higher-order and critical thinking as well as public speaking skills. In keeping to this scholastic dogma, Unity College organised the 'Inter-House English Debate Competition' on 27th August, 2022.



The arena was set for the war of words in two categories-

XII. The Juniors expressed their views emphatically and enthusiastically on the topic 'Teachers are better for learning than the Internet', while the Seniors articulated eloquently on the contemporary issue, 'Is



Artificial Intelligence Dangerous?' The Seniors got the topic out of three options via a chit system, an hour before the event.



The highlight of the event was the Rebuttal Round, as a volley of questions were answered confidently by both the sides, inviting counter questions which were aptly answered by witty and vivacious speakers. The session was a kaleidoscope of opinions, ideas and perspectives that definitely enhanced the knowledge

and understanding of the topic among students.

College Jt. Secretary, Dr. M. Talha appreciated the oratory skills and logical views put up by the contestants.

The Judges, Ms. Shabana Ahmed - Principal, Unity College II Shift, Lucknow and Ms. Sidra Jamal - Psychology Teacher, appreciated the confidence, reliability and conviction with which the debaters put forward the pros and cons.



In Juniors, the Best Speaker 'For' was bagged by Mantasha Zehra of Sir Syed House, followed by Anam Zehra of Tagore House as Runner Up, while the Best Speaker 'Against' was received by S. Wali Haider of Tagore House and Runner Up by Safia Naqvi of Sir Syed House. S. Wali Haider was declared the Best Speaker.

In Seniors, Sania Zehra of Sir Syed House received the Best Speaker 'For', followed by Batool Uzma of Iqbal House as Runner Up, while Batool Fatima of Sir Syed House clinched the Best Speaker 'Against', followed by Azzaman Abbas of Gandhi House as the Runner Up. The Best Speaker award was clinched by Batool Fatima. Overall, Sir Syed House was declared the Champion House.

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 words of wisdom for one and all in this era of AI and ML.

UNITY TEACHER MS. NISAR FATIMA RIZVI HONOURED WITH AMP'S NATIONAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION 2022

Unity cheered as Ms. Nisar Fatima Rizvi, a dedicated teacher of Sociology, was conferred with the National Award for Excellence in Education 2022, powered by AMP at its 6th Award Ceremony. She was among the 100 awardees who have been felicitated with the Award on this Teachers' Day i.e., 5th September.



Principal, Mr. Francis Castelino warmly congratulated Ms. Rizvi and honoured her with the Certificate of Excellence in Education and blessings of a brighter future.

HINDI DIWAS

Unity College celebrated Hindi Diwas on 14th September with the prime objective of inculcating love for Hindi language.



The enthusiastic students and teachers gathered in the Basketball Court for the Special Assembly. The high-spirited pledge was followed by a melodious song 'Hamko Man Ki Shakti Dena'. The eloquent speech by students as well as the

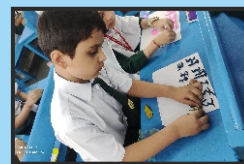


Inter-House Quiz for the juniors and seniors encompassed the origin of the language, its alphabet and transcript. The vibrant assembly culminated with the

patriotic notes of the National Anthem.

A flawless amalgamation of artistry, linguistic ability and adulation for Hindi could be seen in the enthusiastic students of Primary Section, wherein they participated in an array of activities which included Play Dough Activity, Pictionary, authoring a Hindi Dictionary, Elocution and Oration.

In conclusion, Principal, Mr. Francis Castelino motivated the students to promote and respect their national language.



ERA UNIVERSITY SETS UP FREE EYE CHECK-UP CAMP

The Department of Optometry under the umbrella of Era University organized an Eye Check-Up Camp in collaboration with Diya Foundation at Unity College in July, 2022. The week long vision screening camp was organized for classes LN to XII to look for vision problems and also to check for signs of serious eye diseases.



The Refraction Test was performed for all children. Students were then identified with refractive errors and spectacles were prescribed. The children who required further evaluation were referred to the base hospital.



On 17th September, the University finalised its

eye screening drive by distributing free spectacles to the students having deficiency in vision.

The programme was a great success on the formative line 'A stitch in time saves nine.'

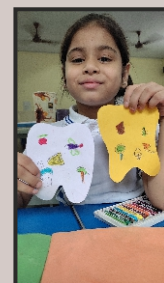


PRE-PRIMARY & PRIMARY EVENTS

HYGIENE DAY

"One who maintains cleanliness keeps away diseases"

Hygiene is a primary step of good health to insulate ourselves and others from illnesses and keep us safe by maintaining





good health. A physically fit body impels to increase the mental capacity of an individual.

Unity College puts in unremitting efforts to achieve holistic development of its young minds by organising a plethora of activities. The Pre-Primary Section of the College organised Hygiene Day to bring home the idea of maintaining good health.



Toddlers of UN through their eye-catching carvings and drawings on paper accentuated the need for regular hand washing.

Oral hygiene is a window to overall health. Good oral health results in keeping bacteria at bay. Class Prep made much of this philosophy by chiselling teeth from craft paper and emphasised the need for healthy eating by segregating healthy and unhealthy food items and pasting them on the cut outs. Teachers also urged the students to follow a strict cleanliness regime for staying healthy.

EIDAL-ADHA

Eid Al-Adha is not just a day to share our food and money, but it is also a day to surrender our differences in life. The best sacrifice is to give up our grudges for each other. This festival is about a celebration of brotherhood, love, respect and harmony. With similar thoughts, our tiny Unitians celebrated Eid with gaiety by hosting a special assembly. The spirit of the festival was elevated when the young students performed the traditions and customs of the day as they greeted each other 'Eid Mubarak'. The day was also a perfect opportunity for us to develop in our students respect for all religions.



On 12th July, all the pupils of Unity College Pre-Primary section took part in activities to acquaint themselves with its religious significance, history, stories and legends, as well as associated traditions and customs.

The students of LN, UN and PREP did the activity of Lamb Making with a variety of things like cotton balls, poster colours, ice cream sticks, white sheets, cotton and paper plates.



All in all, this was a wonderful and informative day for the children, and everyone was enthusiastically taking part in all the different activities.

KARGILDIWAS

"The brave die never, though they sleep in dust: Their courage nerves a thousand living men."

- Minot Judson Savage

Every 26th July, India honours the heroic sacrifices and bravery of the fallen martyrs in reclaiming several lofty peaks of Ladakh, the crown of India against the intruders. This year too, the triumph of our soldiers in 1999 was commemorated with utmost gaiety and fervour.



In honour of the day, the Pre-Primary and Primary sections of Unity College organised a



synchronous array of activities with an aim to instil patriotism in students and salute the brave sons of the country who achieved the height of valour in defence of the motherland.



The toddlers of LN put their artistic foot forward and made tri-colour badges in tandem with the theme of the day. Class UN showed commendation by bringing alive the likes of Lt. Manoj Pandey, Capt. Vikram Batra, and Capt. Anuj Nayyar through various craft activities. They used Popsicle sticks and craft paper to make soldiers. The young Unitians of Prep expressed their

gratitude by making paper soldier hats. The students wore the beautifully crafted hats and felt the responsibility and pride.

Keeping up with the fervour of the day, the youngest class of the Primary section - class I used their top notch craft skills to make tri-colour paper



soldiers, which spoke volumes about their understanding of the importance of the army. Class II decorated candles and lit them in the memory of the martyrs. The creative minds of class III went a step ahead and designed a varied range of tricolour badges making the whole activity analogous to the cultures and

ethnic backgrounds of our army men.

The crowning accomplishment of the Kargil Vijay Diwas was the wreath making activity of classes IV and V. The students were briefed about the supreme sacrifices of the soldiers of the Kargil war and their families, who left no stone unturned to unfurl the Tiranga atop Tiger Hill. The eventful day culminated in lighting the candles and laying down the wreaths in glory of the martyrs.

RAKSHABANDHAN

"Brothers and sisters are as close as hands and feet."



Observing Indian festivals across religions has been a distinctive feature of Indian culture and it is subtly nurtured in Unity College at all times. The Pre-Primary section of the College celebrated the festival with great fervour and gaiety.



LN students made smiley themed Rakhis out of colourful card sheets and decorative items and wished that the day brought eternal joy and happiness to everyone. The champion craftsmen of UN brought a warm twist to the brother-sister bonhomie by carving out sun-shaped Rakhis typifying positivity, energy and power. Class Prep embodied the spirit of the event by contouring Rakhis from glitter sheets and ribbons. The students were at their creative best which was quite evident through their masterpieces.

The event proved to be highly gratifying for the students. Their teachers also highlighted the festival's historic relevance in contemporary world. The Headmistress, Ms. Kainaat Mansoor commended the entire section on a job well done.



EID-E-GHADEER

Once again on 19th August, 2022 Unity College students celebrated Eid-e-Ghadeer in the school starting with the assembly explaining the event of Al-Ghadeer.

All dressed up in informals gathered on the ground. The program echoed the premises with Qaseedas, congratulating Ameer ul Mumineen (AS) and celebrating the Wiladat of Imam Ali (AS) with Taqbeer and Salutations.



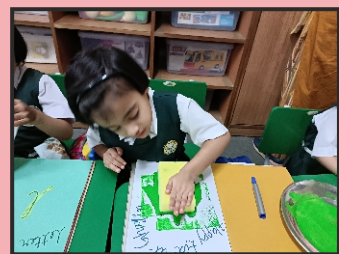
Teachers gave a brief history on Al-Ghadeer explaining its importance and duties of children to take the message home in regards to Ghadeer. They motivated the children to read the history and to take lessons from them, especially in relation to the Wiladat of Imam Ali (AS) and his role in Islam.

Certain hands-on activities of the Pre-Primary section were as follows:-

The students of LN did Stencil Tracing Activity where they used poster colours and stencils.

The students of UN did Gift Making Activity where they used colourful sheets and empty matchboxes.

The students of PREP made a Bookmark with a quote of their choice.



On this auspicious occasion of Ghadeer, teachers and students of Unity College congratulated all their colleagues and well-wishers on the historical declaration of the Wiladat of Imam Ali Ibn Abi Talib (AS), and sent salutations on this auspicious occasion of Eid-e-Ghadeer to the Imam of our time, Al Hujjah Al Mahdi (ATFS), may Allah (SWT) hasten his reappearance.

FIRST AID DAY

"Immediate First Aid can make a real difference."

A hands on Programme on First Aid was conducted by Unity College on 27th August for the students in the Pre-Primary wing.

In the first segment, teachers posed a question, 'What do you know about First Aid?' In layman's language they explained the meaning, aims and priorities of First Aid measures. Further, they told the students about different kinds of emergency situations like shock, bleeding, snakebite etc. and the different ways to respond to them.



It helped the students in understanding the concept on how to respond calmly and quickly in an emergency situation. They also realized the importance of being vigilant if they came across any emergency in their life.

The visual teaching application in turn helped the students understand the concept better.

The last segment of the session was a DIY (Do It Yourself) activity wherein the students got a chance to come forward and do some hands on activities.

DIY activities performed by the Pre-Primary wing were as follows-

The students of LN did 'Bandage over a Cut Activity' where they learned how and why to paste a bandage. The students of UN did Doctor's Kit activity which enabled the children to learn about the importance of different

equipment kept in it. The students of Prep also made a Doctor's Kit containing cotton swabs, bandages, cotton balls, basic medicines, etc. and were explained their importance.

The students had an enriching and fruitful session. They vowed to put into practice what they had learnt and spread the same among their family and friends. The students were enthusiastic and inquisitive to know more on a subject like this which was interesting and educative at the same time.



MOHARRAM

"Death with dignity is better than a life of humiliation"

Some fourteen centuries ago, on the day of Ashura, the grandson of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), Imam Hussain (AS) and his little son, were mercilessly killed by a cruel and oppressive ruler in the Battle of Karbala. Although Imam Hussain (AS) was slain in the battle, his message of kindness, justice and equality still lives on among people who love him, which is his real victory.

On the auspicious occasion of Moharram, on September 9th, 2022, the Pre-Primary section at Unity College organised a Moharram activity for their tiny toddlers. It was an opportunity to explore the journey into the culture with the commemoration of Imam Hussain (AS).



Activities performed by the students of the Pre-Primary section were as follows-

Students of class Prep made Trash Bins in order to spread awareness about the 'Clean Julooos' and to initiate

responsibility among pupils to clean the area after a procession.

Students of class UN made a Drinking Glass to incarnate the meaning of courage and sacrifice made by Imam Hussain (AS) and how many Muslims make it a point to give water to those who, like Hussain and his companions were unjustly deprived of.

Students of LN were made to colour the dresses made from cut-outs of black paper, a colour that is initially worn during the month of Moharram for the purpose of mourning on the martyrdom of the Shia Imam, Hussain Ibn Ali (AS).

The teachers also taught the students the following things.

Be righteous, even if you are alone.

Be kind, even to your enemies.

Be brave, even when you have lost everything.

Make the processions clean.

At the end, the teachers explained that Moharram, with all of its complexity, will always be a month of deep reflection for Muslims across the world. Teachers and students, in the end, prayed to Allah to bless everybody with health, wealth, peace and happiness throughout the year.

PEACE DAY

"Peace cannot be kept by force, it can only be achieved by understanding".

We constantly seek new and innovative approaches to promote student engagement in a way to bring about positive changes. Celebrating International Peace Day at Unity College allowed students to understand the importance of creating and maintaining peace amongst themselves, families, and their surroundings.



Peace Day was celebrated in our school on 21st September, 2022. The students of class Prep hosted the programme in the general assembly. After extending a welcome to everyone present over there, the students enraptured and enlightened the audience by presenting before them slogans along with the placards.

The next segment was a group poem 'Hug O' War' by Shel Silverstein which thrilled the audience followed by a couple of thoughts on 'How to be a Peacemaker' which were quite thought-provoking and deeply fascinated the audience.



The College Principal, Mr. Francis Castelino urged the students to imbibe the values of love, harmony and non-violence and to become instruments of peace. He also highlighted that peace means a world of happiness and harmony without any bias. He also



inspired the students to resolve to be better persons so that our country radiates peace.

As a part of this endeavour, Unity College also organised Peace Day Celebration through a variety of hands-on

activities for the children, which they enjoyed thoroughly. Class Prep students made a Dove with their hand impressions, which symbolises peace.

In another activity, UN and LN children were directed to make the symbol of Peace with paints, ice cream sticks and paper plates.



Children were also explained the importance of celebrating Peace Day in the classes. In a general conversation that was

held, the children came up with innocent suggestions to maintain Peace around them.

RECITATION AND DECLAMATION COMPETITION

Speech is power: Speech is to persuade, to convert, to compel.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



With an impetus to boost confidence, instill love for literature and harbour recital and oratory skills of students, the Primary section of Unity College organised the Annual

Recitation and Declamation Competition.

The Recitation Competition pooled a wave of euphonious poetry with colourful crafted props that swept the throng to the world of poetic imagination. Class I enthralled the audience with their melodious renditions of 'Three Magic Words', 'Spring Time' and 'Being Clean', while class II gave a set of gala



performances on 'Children of 'the World', 'Little Red Riding Hood' and Mum'.

College Vice Principal

Mr. Sachindra Bharti and the Headmistress Ms. Kainaat Mansoor congratulated the teachers and students for putting up a spectacular show.



The second leg of the event was the Declamation Competition for the students of classes III to V. The spirited speakers of class III articulated the motivational and inspirational speeches of Charlie Chaplin and Ishita Katyal, while class IV of Winston Churchill, Mrs. Indira Gandhi and Sara Demkow. The poised orators of class V-A mesmerised the audience by putting forth the revolutionary ideas of Sushmita Sen, Oprah Winfrey and Jack Ma.



College Secretary Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi declared that the College is no less than any of the leading schools in Lucknow.

College Jt. Secretary Dr. M. Talha speaking on the occasion, heaped praises on students and teachers for slogging so hard to reach that level.

College Principal Mr. Francis Castelino extolled the Section for putting up the flawless show.



SPORTS ACTIVITIES

CISCE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Unity College Football teams, Junior as well as Senior registered their entry in CISCE Zonal Football Tournament held at Là Martiniere Boys College, Lucknow on 16th and 17th of July, 2022.



The Junior Boys Football Team played the first match against Spring Dale College Lucknow and won it by 6-0. Next was the clash with Là Martiniere College. Again, the College Team crushed the rivals by 3-0 and emerged as the Champion of the Tournament.

The Senior boys Football Team too cruised into the finals by giving a crushing defeat to CMS Rajajipuram College with 5-0, and Colvin Taluqdar College with 5-1. The final match against Là Martiniere Boys ended in a tie. In the penalty shootout, Unity lost the match by 4-3. Still not far behind, the College clinched the Runner Up Trophy.



7th MARTN CUP-2022



The exhilarating Inter-School Football Tournament 'The 7th Martin Cup-2022' was organised by La Martiniere College, Lucknow at the Polo Ground.

Unity made a scintillating entry by defeating the rivals by 3-0 in the very first match with CMS, Aliganj on 11th August, 2022. Next day, keeping the team Siddharth Global School again at the loss with 2-0, the College forged ahead with great enthusiasm and elevated confidence. In the same series of exciting victories, Unity Team crushed DPS, ELDECO by 4-2 and Mont Fort College by 3-0 on 14th and 16th August, respectively.



With a string of meticulous performances, the Unity Team entered the Semi-Final with AMC, Army Medical Corps on 17th August. Within a few seconds, excitement spread out among the spectators as attacks and counter attacks were offered by both the



opponents at every moment. The match got quite intense as nobody scored in the first 90 mnts. But the tie-break match was fatally concluded in the penalty shootout. The College lost to the rivals with 0-3.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino encouraged the players for their laudable performance and felicitated them with the certificates and blessings.

The sporting aura at Unity College further got luminated as the Senior Lucknow Soccer Team U-19 supported by the College won the finals of the Regional CISCE Football Tournament, while the Junior Lucknow Soccer Team U-14 was placed Runners Up at Agra.

Unity College (Lucknow B) U-19 made a scintillating entry by registering the lead of one goal 4-3 in the penalty shootout against Ghaziabad in the league. Next day, the team forged ahead into the Semi-Final by defeating the Nainital Team 1-0. With elevated spirit and zeal, the team went on to script victory in the Semi-Final against Uttarakhand 1-0.

The final match with Lucknow Zone-B was also commendable. The team didn't let its opponents make a single goal, giving a thrashing defeat by 6-0. The Lucknow-B team lifted the winning trophy after a keen contest.

Unity College (Lucknow B) U-14 entered the league with a promising performance as it pinned the rival teams to a zero score in all the initial matches. The first match against Meerut concluded in a 2-0 win. The second rival of Kanpur North too faced a thrashing defeat at zero against 5 goals. The winning team with spurring enthusiasm put up a great show in the Semi-Final against Nainital by maintaining the string of fabulous victories. The team once again moved to victory by 2-0. The final match was full of fury and excitement as the rival teams of Lucknow Zone-B and Allahabad put up a great show of brilliant attacks and counter attacks. The match got tense for the College as the team couldn't seal the victory and lost the trophy to the rivals by 2-1.

Principal Mr. Francis Castelino applauded the winning teams for putting up a great show, and felicitated them with the trophy, medals and certificates.

ASISC ZONAL ATHLETIC MEET

A host of budding athletes from Unity College dazzled the Hall of Honours by crowning the Field and Track Events of ASISC Zonal Athletics Meet held at Colvin Taluqdar College, Lucknow on 3rd and 4th September, 2022.



Mariyam Jafri

In 600m Dash, under 14, young sprinter Mariyam Jafri brought laurels to the College by bagging the II position.



Innama Jafri

In the under 17 girls' race, Innama Jafri brought home twin medals - Silver and Gold. She clinched the I position in 110m hurdles and the II place in 800m dash, while in the boys' team, Nafees Raza too was conferred with the Gold and Silver medals. In 800m dash, he darted to reach the finishing line and grabbed the I place, leaving his rivals behind. In 100m, he got II place on the Victory Stand.



Nafees Raza



Mohd. Laraib

In the under 19 Boys' and Girls', the Sports Star of the College, Mohd. Zaid Siddiqui dwarfed all the other contestants in the four events that he participated. He exploded on the track to grab the top notches in 100m, 800m, 1500m and 3000m dashes. He was adorned with 4 Gold medals. Another sprinter, Jafar Husain brought home the Bronze in the 3000m race while Arshil Khan, the Gold in the Triple Jump. Girls were also not behind as Innama Jafri reached the II place in Triple Jump and was conferred with the Silver.



Jafar Husain



Arshil Khan



Mohd. Zaid

The College performance was cheered and applauded aloud by one and all. The echoes of the commendable victories were heard in the Morning Assembly too. All the beaming sprinters were honoured and acknowledged by the College Principal Mr. Francis Castelino. He blessed the aspiring sports stars for brighter accolades in future.

UNITY COLLEGE II SHIFT

HONoured GUEST @ UNITY COLLEGE II SHIFT

Mr. Anil Swarup-an acclaimed author and Ex-IAS officer, UP, graced the portals of Unity College II Shift with his benign presence on 8th August, 2022. Principal Ms. Shabana Ahmad extended a formal welcome to the distinguished Speaker of the Day.

Addressing the students, Mr. Swaroop shared his own life experience to impress upon some practical tips to lead a composed and progressive life. Never blame others for your own faults. Successful people learn from their mistakes. Firm decision and a keen desire sparks the very fire to progress.

Lastly, the questionnaire session witnessed a volley of queries from the students. While answering 'How to crack the Civil Service Examination', he laid stress on reading editorials and advised them to be focused at the target. Until you are obsessed, you cannot be an IAS officer.

The College Secretary, Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi exhorted the students to make good role models, and explore the real world beyond the textbooks. He further advised them to be positive and set realistic goals keeping in mind their strengths and weaknesses.

EID-E-GHADEER CELEBRATION @ MONTESSORI

Montessori students and teachers celebrated Eid-e-Ghadeer with great fervour and gaiety on 18th July 2022. The classrooms



were festively decorated. Students came in colourful and attractive attires to suit the joyous occasion. Their respective teachers apprised

them of the significance of the occasion and the pivotal event at Ghadeer Khumm when the Holy Prophet (PBUH) on his journey from the final pilgrimage appointed his son-in-law Ali Ibn Abi Talib (AS) as his successor.

The students exchanged gifts and embraced each other warmly. They learned a life lesson of love and brotherhood.

HEALTH CHECK-UP BY STUFIT

A Health Camp was organised at Unity College II Shift on 1st July by 'Stufit'. At least 150 students were benefited with the check up through head to toe screening, without inserting a needle or taking blood samples. They were thoroughly screened and diagnosed for any issues related to vision, hearing, bones, muscles, health or hygiene. Their mental and emotional health were also assessed.

The Camp culminated successfully after the students were given the essential health tips and prescriptions with the diagnosis for further perusal.

ONLINE SPOKEN ENGLISH CLASSES

A series of online English Speaking Classes were organised for class XI students of Unity College II Shift from 1st August, 2022. The resource person, Ms. Sangeeta Pathak from Bangalore gave the lessons in a very effective manner. The lessons encompassed grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation and translation with a practical approach. In addition, the students were trained for interviews-how to agree and disagree, etc.

Students are enthusiastic each day to learn a new lesson in Spoken English and be well conversant. Their active participation exhibits their keen interest in this learning experience till date.

EID-E-GHADEER PROGRAMME

Unity College II Shift celebrated Eid-e-Ghadeer on 18th July, 2022. It was an effort on the part of students to give an

insight into the life of Imam Ali (AS) through speeches and Qaseedas. Amidst great enthusiasm, the anchor Wajeeha Fatima commenced the programme with the Tilawat by Farman Husain. It was followed by a beautiful Naat by Bilal and an eloquent speech by Saba. From the Junior section, Saman, Arhama, Farman and Rehan took the audience on an euphonious ride with their art of performing the Qaseeda. Last but not the least, Najaf Ali and Kalbe Haider gave an energetic performance through a Qawwali 'Man Kunto Maula'.

College Manager Dr. Kalbe Sibtain Noorie appreciated the programme and gifted all the participants his book 'Ashoor Ka Tafseeri Waqia' as a token of appreciation. Principal Ms. Shabana Ahmed applauded the students and teachers for putting up the fabulous show.

MAJLIS-E-AZA

A Majlis-e-Aza was organised on Wednesday 21st September, 2022 on behalf of Mohibbe Ahlebait (AS), Mr. Shiv Kumar Misra. It was arranged by Tauheedul Muslimeen Trust, Lucknow with the efforts to pay a tribute to the martyrs of Karbala and the supreme sacrifice of Imam Husain (AS), the grandson of Rasul-e-Khuda (SAW).

It was attended by eminent personalities of the city, UITC and TMT staff, along with College Manager Dr. Kalbe Sibtain Noorie. The program commenced with the soulful recitation of the Quran by Farman Husain. Ishba Rizvi presented a solemn Qaseeda in her soulful voice. The programme was live on air by the Husaini Channel.

Ayan Husain and Tanzeem Fatima also presented Salaam to the martyrs. Later Maulana Haider Abbas Rizvi Sahab and student Fazal Abbas addressed the Majlis, sharing various incidents on the front of Karbala which brought home valuable lessons of truthfulness, compassion and tolerance among them.

Ms. Shabana Ahmed proposed the vote of thanks and showered plaudits on students and teachers for putting up such an inspirational programme.

UNITY COLLEGE II SHIFT DAZZLES @ NON OLYMPIC SPORTS

Unity College excelled in yet another sports event of UP Non-Olympic Association in collaboration with Amar Ujala, a platform for all Non-Olympic Sports held on 28th September, 2022 at the Mini Stadium, Gomti Nagar. More than 1000 students from 22 prestigious colleges of Lucknow gathered over there. Unity students outperformed other participants by their stupendous display of sportsmanship and brought home a host of laurels.

Fitness Ball	Ghazi Mirza	I
Lemon Spoon Race	Shuaib	II
Lemon Spoon Race	Ali Abbas	III
Satolia	Niyaz	I
100 m. Race	Kaneez Abbas	I
Sack Race	Asif	I
Gulli Danda		III
Kho-Kho Boys (Junior)		II
Chess		I

Manager Dr. Kalbe Sibtain Noorie and Secretary Mr. Najmul Hasan Rizvi congratulated the participants on their outstanding performance. The College Principal Ms. Shabana Ahmed was all praise for the students and coaches, Mr. Zafar Zaidi and Ms. Shahina Jafri.

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