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NEWS & VIEWS



"Somewhere, Something Incredible Is Waiting To Be Known"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Francis Castelino
Principal

Dear Students,

As we embrace the dawn of a new year, let's welcome it as an opportunity for renewal and growth. Let's step into this year with enthusiasm, determination, and a commitment to making it extraordinary. The pursuit of knowledge is not merely about academic excellence; it is the cornerstone upon which we build a brighter future, both for ourselves and for the world around us.

While academic achievements are crucial, they are only part of the tapestry of success. Equally important is the cultivation of a strong moral compass and an unwavering commitment to integrity. A morally sound character is not just a personal virtue; it is the bedrock of a harmonious society. Your actions, rooted in honesty, empathy, and kindness, will echo beyond the confines of these walls, shaping a community that thrives on respect and understanding.

In fact, education extends far beyond textbooks and classrooms. You are not mere students but architects of a better tomorrow. Each of you possesses unique talents and perspectives that, when nurtured, can spark remarkable change, contributing positively to society.

Let us shape a future where not only academic brilliance shines but where each of you stands as a beacon of integrity, empathy, and purpose.

With best wishes for a remarkable year ahead,

COLLEGE ACTIVITIES

UNITY COLLEGE MOURNS THE LOSS OF ITS PRESIDENT



Unity College expressed its deep condolences on the passing of Raja Muhammad Amir Muhammad Khan, the College President. Khan Sahib was a distinguished scholar with degrees in Mathematical Tripolis and Mathematical Physics from Cambridge and London. He was known for his noble character, honesty, and approachability. Unity College also honoured Khan Sahib as the Vice President of the Tauheedul Muslimeen Trust. A prayer service was held at the College consisting of both the Morning and Evening shift, staff and students, to honour his memory.

DAAN UTSAV DISTRIBUTION DRIVE

Students from Primary and Senior Secondary Sections participated in the Daan Utsav - an annual feature at the College by distributing paper bags made from old newspapers to neighbouring fruit

and vegetable vendors, so as to minimise plastic usage and enhance the use of eco-friendly products.



TEACHERS' DAY PROGRAMME

Teachers' Day, 2023 was celebrated with exuberance. The event began with spiritual performances and a welcome address by Principal Mr Francis Castelino. Teachers, Monis Naqvi and Farheen Asrar, were recognised for their 100% attendance. The College Management expressed gratitude to the teaching staff, and Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi emphasised the importance of teachers in shaping students and meeting societal

expectations. Some lively games were organised for the teachers of different sections to create an atmosphere of joy and excitement. Besides, the titles for 'The Best Dressed Male and Female Teacher' were also awarded to Mr Mohiuddin and Ms Nilofar Jafri, respectively. The programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks by the Vice Principal and a special lunch.



UNITY STUDENT CREATES K-AI

Kashan Raza Naqvi of class IX, launched his invention Chatbot K-AI on June 13, 2023. He showcased K-AI in the presence of College Secretary, Jt Secretary, Principal, Vice-Principal and Counsellor and fellow students on November 7, 2023. He was lauded by one and all when his Chatbot answered instantly a barrage of questions shot at it.

Kashan is still working to steer K-AI beyond its current capabilities to elevate this Chatbot to meet the evolving demands of technology.



TRIBUTE TO DR S KALBE SADIQ

The College paid heartfelt homage to Late Dr Kalbe Sadiq Saheb on the Founder's Memorial Day to mark his 3rd death anniversary. The event, themed 'Role of Religion in Promotion of Peace and Unity' served as a sincere tribute to honour his remarkable legacy as an influential leader and an advocate for interfaith unity.

Dignitaries from various faiths including Swami

Muktinathananda, Ramkrishna Math; Fr Denis Naresh Lobo, Catholic Diocese; Brahmakumari Radha Behen; Rajendra Singh Bagga, Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee; Mr Jagdish Gandhi, City Montessori School; Prof Kamaluddin Akbar, University of Allahabad shared profound insights on peace and harmony inherent in all religions.



The programme commenced with sacred recitations from different religious texts. The students then showcased his life and teachings through diverse presentations, including an impressive action song 'School Chalo' by Montessori students. A captivating skit underscored not only educational upliftment, but also interfaith unity. It was followed by a melodious epilogue, a touching tribute through a Nazm by Iqbal and an eloquent Urdu Speech. In conclusion, College Secretary, Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi emphasised on the significance of fostering unity and peace and the pivotal role of education for personal and societal betterment.

The tribute to Dr S Kalbe Sadiq Saheb also included a Green Exhibition, showcasing Organic Farming being done at the College premises and a week-long Donation Drive, where by students – big and small, actively contributed to social causes, donating stationery, blankets and essentials to schools and ashrams. The comprehensive tribute concluded with a morning assembly, urging students to carry on Dr Sadiq's legacy of fostering peace and progress for all.



ORGANIC GARDEN EXHIBITION AND WELLNESS PROGRAMME

The College has a dedicated organic garden, managed by the Organic Club Members promoting healthy eating among students. Health Guide from Canada, Dr Sarah Musavi attended a Green Exhibition on November 27, 2023, where students and teachers demonstrated the potted plants and vegetables- the result of their dedication.

Dr Musavi explained the process of compost production and shared information about medicinal plants. She also screened a documentary on organic farming and the dangers of GMO and conducted a Wellness Programme for teachers to advocate for balanced diet, organic food, management of stress and diabetes.



ANNUAL SPORTS DAY

December 2, 2023, dawned as the D-Day whence the College campus was decked up for colourful sporting events.

Distinguished guests included Chief Guest Dr SM Qasim Abidi, Addl DCP, Police Commissionerate, Lucknow and Guests of honour, Olympians Mr Sujit Kumar and Syed Ali, Former Captains of the Indian

Hockey Team.

The Chief Guest reminisced the glorious legacy of Late Dr Kalbe Sadiq Saheb and commended the role of schools as a nurturing ground for future sports stars. He also stressed that participation rather than success or failure is vital.



The event opened with the release of balloons by the Chief Guest, lighting of the torch, and March Past by the College NCC Battalion and Boys' and Girls' Contingents. Field and Track events were interspersed with class wise drills which kept the spectators enthralled. The Pre-Primary Drill 'Rise and Shine' conveyed determination, while the class I and II Drill celebrated respect for elders. Class III and IV regaled the audience with their portrayal of cricket fervour by showcasing team work, solidarity and sportsmanship, whereas class V presented an 'ISRO Cosmic Adventure Drill' eloquently narrating and enacting India's journey to Space over the years. Girls of class VI –VIII gave the powerful message of girls education and women

empowerment through their performance 'Breaking Barriers – Soaring High'. Class IX and XI boys followed suit with their breath-taking performances in Pyramids and jumping through a Ring of Fire.

Mohd Laraib Zaidi and Aafi Rizvi of class XII clinched the award of 'Best Sportspersons of the Year.'

The event reached its finale as Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi extended heartfelt thanks acknowledging the dedication of both students and teachers and emphasising the significance of nurturing holistic development in students. The programme ended on a euphoric note for all.



CREATIVE WRITING EVENT IN SECONDARY & SENIOR SECONDARY SECTION

Students were given the golden opportunity to articulate their literary talent in the form of original stories, poems and creative non-fiction. The topics explored ranged from personal narratives to contemporary issues like social media, cyber

security, modern education and humanitarian concerns.

Principal Mr Francis Castelino lauded the students for their remarkable prowess and honoured the winners with certificates.

PRE-PRIMARY EVENTS

RECITATION COMPETITION

From heartwarming rhymes to vivid colours, the College's Pre-Primary Recitation Competition on October 21, 2023, showcased a kaleidoscope of voices and emotions. Dignitaries, including Jt Secretary Dr M Talha, Principal Mr Francis Castelino, and Headmistress Ms Kainaat Mansoor, graced the event. Judged by English teachers Ms Mehnaz Mehdi and Ms Farheen Fatima Naqvi, the competition aimed to enhance the oratory skills of the tiny tots. Beginning with a rendition of the Quranic verses, Principal, Mr Francis Castelino,

welcomed the participants, praising their exuberance. The young talents presented diverse poems with remarkable expressions, body language, and voice articulation, incorporating props for added charm. Headmistress, Ms Kainaat Mansoor, announced the winners, applauding every child's courage. Dr M Talha praised their exceptional performances, deeming the event a resounding success that enriched students with valuable lessons and experiences.



The results of the Recitation Competition were as follows:

Class-UN

- 1st Position- Section C
- 2nd Position- Section B
- 3rd Position- Section A



Class-Prep

- 1st Position- Section A
- 2nd Position- Section B
- 3rd Position- Section C

DIWALI CELEBRATIONS

On November 10, 2023, the Pre-Primary Section joyfully celebrated Diwali, with teachers highlighting its spiritual significance. The celebration was not just a festive event but also an educational one, featuring hands-on activities for young learners. Lower Nursery students engaged in the tradition of Diya making, while Upper Nursery explored shapes, honing their cognitive skills. Prep students created vibrant Diya wall

hangings, adding to the festive atmosphere. The festivities also highlighted the environmental impact of firecrackers, aligning with sustainability and safety values. The celebrations at the College were a blend of cultural awareness, creative expression, and responsibility, leaving both teachers and students with cherished memories and a deeper understanding of the festival's true spirit.



CHILDREN'S DAY

Children's Day was celebrated with great fervour at the College. The festivities commenced with a special assembly, followed by a series of engaging activities for students of all classes, such as quizzes, tongue twisters, and riddles. Classrooms buzzed with excitement as children participated in activities like 'Blow the Balloon,' 'Balloon Race,' and the 'Hula Hoop' challenge. The students' creativity blossomed as they crafted heartwarming Children's Day cards. Laughter and music filled the

ambiance, creating a lively atmosphere. The spirit of sharing and togetherness prevailed as the children exchanged delicious treats with their classmates. The Pre-Primary Section became the focal point of excitement, with fun and frolic taking centre stage. The celebrations concluded with the distribution of mini chocolate cakes in the classes, which served as a token of love and affection from the College.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY TO HONOUR BAPU AND SHASTRI

On October 3, 2023, a special assembly was held in honour of Mahatma Gandhi and former Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri. Aliya Zaidi from class VI-A delivered a speech focusing on Gandhi's life and non-violence advocacy, along with highlighting India's cleanliness campaign, Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan, drawing inspiration from Gandhi's principles. Zainab, also from class VI-A, shared

intriguing facts about Bapu, while Shuja Haider delivered the slogan 'Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan' on the birth anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastri. Principal Mr Francis Castelino urged students to follow the principles of Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri, emphasising cleanliness in personal spaces and encouraging environmental conservation by reducing plastic usage and waste.



ALLAMA IQBAL DAY

The College marked Iqbal Day on November 9, 2023, honouring the birth anniversary of the esteemed poet and writer, Allama Iqbal. The event began with a divine rendition by Masooma Zaidi, followed by a pledge administered by Qasim Abbas and a quote from Iqbal's famous poetry: 'Yaqīn mohkam, amal paiham, mohabbat fātah-e-ālam, jihād-e-zindagānī meñ haiñ ye mardoñ kī shamshīreñī'. Innama Abbas delivered a heartfelt Urdu speech, while melodious

Ghazals were sung by Bushra Mirza, Aqueela Zainab, and Syed Mohd. Sajjad Rizvi. Students from classes IV and V delivered a touching rendition of 'Saare Jahan Se Accha Hindustan Hamara,' infusing the atmosphere with pride and patriotism. Vice Principal, Mr Sachindra Bharti, quoted inspiring lines in Urdu. The Principal, Mr Francis Castelino, applauded the students' performances and urged them to approach learning languages with enthusiasm.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

On December 22, 2023, the College embraced the festive spirit of Christmas with a heartwarming assembly uniting students and teachers. The gathering delved into the true essence of Christmas, emphasising the values of sharing and caring. A captivating skit traced the life journey of Jesus Christ, highlighting the profound truth that although we may make plans and hold aspirations, it is ultimately God's purpose that prevails, guiding humanity towards the best. The programme resonated with timeless carols like 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' and 'Prince of Peace,' beautifully

rendered by choirs from both Primary and Secondary Sections. Warm Christmas wishes and lovely cards were extended to the Principal, Mr Francis Castelino, and the Christian teachers, acknowledging their guidance and contributions. Mr Castelino underscored the transformative power of love, urging students to cherish and nurture relationships. Santa Claus sprinkled gleeful joy by distributing Christmas candies and love, casting an enchanting spell that made the celebration truly unforgettable.



SPORTS

LARAIB ZAIDI CLINCHES GOLDEN BOOT AWARD AT THE INTER-SCHOOL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT



The College displayed impeccable sportsmanship in the Inter-School Football Tournament hosted by La Martiniere College Lucknow on December 6, 2023, by triumphing in the first match against LMC LuckBall Academy with a decisive 3-0 victory. Two days later, a thrilling encounter with La Martiniere College itself saw Unity emerge triumphant by a narrow 3-2 margin. Though their progress was

halted in the semifinals by Youth Academy's 3-0 win, Unity persevered throughout, leaving a mark on the tournament. Syed Laraib Zaidi's exceptional talent shone brightly, earning him the well-deserved Golden Boot award for best midfielder. Principal, Mr Francis Castelino, lauded the entire team for their commendable display of passion and skill.

BEST SPORTS BOY AND GIRL RECEIVE GENEROUS CASH PRIZES

Best Sports Boy, Syed Laraib Zaidi XII-D, and Best Sports Girl, Aafi Rizvi XII-D, were honoured with a cash prize of ₹5,000 each on December 14, 2023. The recognition was given by Mr S.A.Z. Abidi, President of Anjuman Wazifa-E-Sadat Wa Momineen Aligarh, and other distinguished members. The accomplishments of these athletes not only signify individual excellence but also exemplify the spirit of sportsmanship within the College community. The College congratulates Syed Laraib Zaidi and Aafi Rizvi for this well-deserved recognition.



GANDHI HOUSE SHINES IN INTER-HOUSE CRICKET FINAL

On December 22, the highly anticipated Inter-House Cricket Final culminated in a nail-biting clash between Sir Syed House and Gandhi House. The cricket ground was alive with excitement as both teams exhibited impressive skills and

sportsmanship. In an exhilarating climax, Gandhi House secured the win, demonstrating outstanding teamwork and strategic prowess. The event went beyond highlighting cricket prowess, fostering unity and pride among the participating Houses.



THEOLOGY

HONOURING PROPHET MOHAMMAD (PBUH) AND IMAM JAFAR AS-SADIQ (AS)-A DIVINE ASSEMBLY

On October 3, 2023, the Primary Section was illuminated with a special assembly honouring Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and Imam Jafar As-Sadiq (AS). The divine assembly commenced with Quranic verses, followed by the pledge. The highlight of the assembly was a captivating experiment by Class V students, showcasing Imam Sadiq's (AS) brilliance as a beacon of knowledge. From Science and Biology to Astronomy, his contributions sparked under the spotlight. The

assembly revealed that 4,000 universities were born from his vision, with numerous renowned scholars, like Geber bin Hayan, the Father of Chemistry, being his esteemed students. A melodious 'Ya Man Salaita Bikulli Anbiya' painted the air with spirituality, culminating with the heartfelt National Anthem. This assembly was more than a celebration; it was a testament to the enduring legacy of knowledge and education ignited by these two towering figures.

CELEBRATING ALI ASGHAR DAY AND INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY

The morning assembly on November 20, 2023, witnessed two celebrations, honouring the essence of both International Children's Day and Ali Asghar Day. Led by class IX A, the assembly paid tribute to Hazrat Ali Asghar (AS), the youngest martyr of Karbala. Despite his tender age of six months, his legacy of patience and valour resonates with all. Though facing starvation and thirst, he met his fate

with unwavering courage, his parting smile, an everlasting testament to his strength. A speech by Hal Ata Abbas, deepened the impact, highlighting the attributes of the martyr. Principal, Mr Francis Castelino's words echoed this sentiment, urging students to embrace the values of truth, patience, and courage—life's true treasures, not transient gains.

COMMEMORATING AYYAM-E-FATIMA

On December 16, 2023, the College commemorated Ayyam-e-Fatima with a poignant assembly honouring revered Bibi Fatima (SA). Quranic verses and a meaningful quote of Bibi Fatima (SA) on modesty set the tone, followed by Waliya Zehra's (XI-C) enlightening talk on her life and virtues. Halata Abbas delivered a compelling Urdu speech, highlighting Bibi Fatima as a symbol of strength, resilience, and women's empowerment. Classes IV and V took centre stage

with a special presentation acknowledging Bibi Fatima (SA), drawing insights from Quranic verses mentioning her name and key aspects of her life. Syeda Iman Butool (VIII-A) concluded the assembly with a soulful 'Marsiya', leaving a profound impact. Principal Mr Francis Castelino, encouraged students to adopt Bibi Fatima's (SA) exemplary virtues like honesty, truthfulness, generosity, compassion, and commitment to justice.



HONOURABLE ZAINAB RASTGAAR PANAH'S INSPIRING SESSION

On December 18, 2023, the College hosted an inspiring session with the Director General of Women and Family Affairs at the Ministry of Interior in Iran, the esteemed Honourable Zainab Rastgaar Panah. The event, coordinated by Theology teacher Mr Arshad Hussain, commenced with a warm welcome extended by the College's luminaries: Principal, Mr Francis Castelino, Vice Principal, Mr Sachindra Bharti, and Headmistress, Ms Kainaat Mansoor.

Ms Zainab shared wisdom from her life experiences, emphasising the importance of optimism, meticulous planning, and effort in the pursuit of success. She also explored the principle of 'no pain, no gain,' highlighting the divine's

unwavering companionship in one's path.

The session transformed into an interactive dialogue, discussing life's facets, education, women's rights, and the balance between modernity and spiritualism. She encouraged female students, particularly those in Science and Technology, to excel and become catalysts for positive change in their nation and called for patriotism (Hubb ul watani).

In the spiritual realm, Ms Zainab shared insights into surahs from the Holy Qur'an, advocating reading for awareness, knowledge, and rationality. Dr Syed Kalbe Sibtain Noorie, Manager of UMS, expressed gratitude for the invaluable lessons and perspectives shared.

SEMINARS & WEBINARS

A SPECIAL SESSION BY AMET UNIVERSITY

AMET University hosted a special session at Unity College on October 19, 2023, focusing on the Science Stream students. The session showcased the university's excellence in maritime education and training, offering detailed insights into

undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, eligibility criteria, and special scholarships. Principal, Mr Francis Castelino, proposed the vote of thanks and expressed gratitude.



LEADING STUDENTS TOWARDS AN INNOVATIVE LEARNING APPROACH

Extramarks India Pvt. Ltd., organised a three-day Counselling Programme at the College from November 7 to 9, 2023, aimed at equipping students for Board Exams and the Common Entrance Eligibility Test (CUET) while promoting understanding of Multiple Intelligence concepts. The programme included sessions on effective Board Exam preparation techniques, CUET exam

format, eligibility criteria, scholarship opportunities, and government portals. The final day focused on Multiple Intelligence and the VARK model of learning, with resource persons Ms. Monica Kapoor and Ms Drishti Sadhwani facilitating self-discovery and practical tips. Principal Mr Francis Castelino urged students to make informed career decisions based on the knowledge gained.

EDUCATIONAL EXTRAVAGANZA: AROMATIC AND MEDICINAL PLANT QUIZ AND DRONE TECHNOLOGY SEMINAR

Unity College and CIMAP CSIR organised an Online Quiz on aromatic and medicinal plants, involving students from classes X, XI, and XII. The event featured a documentary on plant species and a drone pilot's talk on drone technology's role in agriculture. The event was a success, blending

education with entertainment, and was coordinated by Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti, Ms Nisar Fatima, Ms Huma Rizvi, and Mr Mehboob Alam. The event left students with a deeper appreciation for the world of aromatic and medicinal plants.



EXPLORING THE INTRICACIES OF LUCKNOW'S HISTORY & ARCHITECTURE

The College hosted a session on November 20, 2023, led by Ms Rana Safvi, an Indian columnist and historian, on the architectural and cultural richness of Lucknow. Ms Safvi explained structures

like Chota Imambara, Bada Imambara, Jama Masjid, Picture Gallery, Residency, Shahnajaf, Satkhanda, and introduced the Ganga-Jamuni Tehzeeb, symbolising Hindu-Muslim cultural fusion.

ASEEMA MONTESSORI TRAINING SESSION

December buzzed with Montessori magic as the Pre-Primary, II Shift, and UEP teachers dove into a five-day training with Ms Casilda and Ms Jeanne from ASEEMA. From washing clothes to mastering phonics with salt trays, the session used vibrant activities and diverse tools to make learning engaging and impactful. It wasn't just about numbers and sounds, though. Teachers explored practical life skills, team-building games, and even

expanded their sensory awareness beyond sight to enrich the learning experience. Above all, the training emphasised the value of confidence, positivity, and patience as educators unlocked students' potential and nurtured their social-emotional growth. ASEEMA'S sessions weren't just about education; they were about igniting a passion for Montessori magic in every educator.



NATIONAL CADET CORPS (NCC)

COL. DEEPAK KUMAR'S VISIT AT UNITY COLLEGE

On October 19, 2023, Commanding Officer Col. Deepak Kumar visited the College. He was greatly impressed by the well-equipped NCC room and precise drills. He commended the cadets' outstanding performance in the Certificate 'A' examination and praised ANO Nilofer Jafri for her

exemplary training. Col. Kumar emphasised NCC's core principles, urging them to develop as future leaders. Graduating cadets received their Certificate 'A', and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti expressed gratitude.



UNITY COLLEGE SHINES BRIGHT AT NCC CAMP, LEAVING A LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE

The College Cadets, called Cute Cadets, demonstrated unity and discipline at the Annual NCC Training Camp. The 18 participating cadets, including Anayah Siddiqui, Sausan Zehra, and Qudsiya Fatima, were recognised for their outstanding performance and achievements in

various competitions. Principal Mr Francis Castelino congratulated the cadets for their exceptional talent and discipline, while ANO II Officer Ms Nilofer Jafri was commended for her dedication. Unity College's legacy of excellence continues to inspire future generations.



- Anayah Siddiqui: Gold (Essay Writing)
- Sausan Zehra: Gold (Best Duty in R.P.)
- Fizza Fatima: Gold (Solo Dance) & Silver (Volleyball)
- Maryam Jafri: Gold (Obstacle Race) & Silver (Volleyball)

- Qudsiya Fatima: Silver (Debate) & NCC T-shirt for the Best Cadet
- Anayah, Sabika, Kisa, Sausan, Mehdi, and Rabab: II (Group Song)
- Unity College: Best in Drill Competition

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

DR. KALBE SADIQ RECEIVES MAHATMA GANDHI PEACE AWARD



Unity College founder, Late Dr. Kalbe Sadiq Saheb was honoured with the Mahatma Gandhi Peace Award in Barabanki. The award was presented posthumously to Dr Kalbe Sibtain Noorie, and twenty individuals were recognised for their contributions to social development. Dr Sadiq was recognised for his social reforms and community uplifting.

UNITY TRIUMPHS AT THE 21st ALL INDIA HOPE TALENT CONTEST

The College participated in the 21st All India HOPE Talent Contest 2023, focusing on art and essay writing. The contest, which included affiliated schools, aimed to identify latent abilities and showcase participants and their institutions. The

College received medals in various categories, including art and essay writing. Principal Francis Castelino commended the contestants for their outstanding achievements.

Art Category

Sub Senior (VII to IX)

- Wajiha Batool (VII-A) - Silver Medal
- Maryam Fatima (IX-C) - Bronze Medal
- Tuba Fatima (VII-A) - 3rd Prize

Senior (X to XII)

- Fatima Moosvi (X-A) - Silver Medal
- Aliviya Jafri (XI-A) - Bronze Medal
- Arham Fatima (XII-A) - 3rd Prize
- Kisa Fatima (X-B) - Consolation Prize
- Sariya Khatoon (XI-A) - Consolation Prize

Essay Category

Senior (X to XII)

- Fatima Rizvi (X-B) - Bronze Medal

MUHAMMAD NURUL ISLAM HONOURED WITH KALBE SADIQ AWARD

On October 17, 2023, Old Boys Association of Aligarh Muslim University celebrated Sir Syed Day and presented the second Padma Bhushan Dr Kalbe Sadiq Memorial Award to Muhammad

Nurul Islam, founder of Al-Ameen Mission, Kolkata. The event emphasised Sir Syed's significant contributions to education and literacy in India.

UNITY COLLEGE ENGAGES ACTIVELY IN EXPRESSION 2023

The College participated in Expression 2023, an Inter College Literary and Cultural Festival held at St. Francis College. Students showcased their talents in various activities, including English Debate, Elomime, Best out of Waste, Mono Acting,

Flower Arrangement, Collage Making and Face Painting Competitions. Expression 2023 provided a platform for students to showcase their literary and artistic talents, enhancing their confidence levels.

UNITY COLLEGE II SHIFT

CHILDREN'S DAY RADIATING EXUBERANCE

The Montessori section truly embraced the spirit of Children's Day with an array of captivating activities. The children immersed themselves in hands-on Montessori materials, fostering learning through play. Laughter filled the air as outdoor

games unleashed the toddlers' boundless energy. Each child was gifted a delightful goodie box, containing a delectable muffin and a handful of chocolates to savour at home.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Montessori classes joyfully celebrated Christmas, decking up the entire section with Christmas trees, snowy decorations, Santa's red caps, jingling bells, vibrant balloons, and sparkling stars. Students, accompanied by their parents, eagerly participated in the 'Christmas Celebration and Exhibition,' showcasing their talents. The snowman stole the show, attracting cheerful selfies. The melodious rendition of 'Jingle Bells' elevated the festive spirit to new heights.



FREE HEALTH CHECK-UP CAMP

On November 20, an impactful free medical health check-up camp was held at the College for parents. In all, 16 specialised doctors from Hadi Medics, covering various fields provided free physical examinations. Era Hospital further facilitated prescribed medications and additional tests.

Dr Abbas Mehndi, Dr Asad Abbas, Dr Tahir Zaidi, Dr Zaigham Abbas, Dr Tehseen, Dr Hani Zehra, Dr Fatima, Dr Hasan, Dr Bushra, Dr Nehal, and Dr Tammur led the successful coordination of the camp, benefiting numerous underprivileged parents.

ZINDAGI MASTER CLASS SEASON 4

The Zindagi Master Class Season 4 Finale 'Adolescent Nutrition Programme' held on November 25, was hosted by UNICEF at the Shakuntala Mishra Rehabilitation Centre. Students from VIII to XII enthusiastically engaged in competitions encompassing Essay Writing, Cold Kitchen and Slogan Writing. Participants were honoured with awards at the school level. Addressing the students and teachers, Baby

Rani Maurya, Minister of Woman and Child Welfare and Nutrition, emphasised home-cooked meals for children's growth, while Dr Zakari Adam of UNICEF (UP) highlighted adolescent nutrition. In conclusion, Baby Rani Maurya honoured Principal Ms Shabana Ahmed with the title of 'Nutrition Charioteer' and recognised PTIs Mr Zafar Zaidi and Ms Shahina Jafri as 'Nutrition Friends' for their contributions to nurturing young nutrition champions.



NAVIGATING CAREER PATHS

In November, a counselling programme was held for classes X and XII, aimed at steering students towards a brighter future. Led by College Secretary, Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, the session delved into students' career aspirations, academic endeavours,

and offered insights into various colleges pertinent to their fields of interest. Mr Rizvi stressed the critical importance of choosing the right college, highlighting its pivotal role in students' journey towards achieving their goals.

UNITY II SHIFT SHINING @ NAAT KHWANI & ISLAMIC QUIZ COMPETITION

Arhama Zehra, a talented student from class IV, proudly secured the 2nd position in the Naat Khwaani Competition. This prestigious event took place on October 4 at the Ameer-ud-Daula Islamia Inter College in Lalbagh, Lucknow. The competition, which

included both Naat Khwani and an Islamic Quiz, was organised by the Zafaryaab Jillani Welfare Society with an aim to encourage and showcase the skills of emerging talents in the field.

TRIBUTE TO TEACHERS

Teacher's Day was celebrated with a lot of excitement. Starting with a Quran recitation, the programme included entertaining games for teachers and heartfelt speeches from students expressing gratitude. Principal (II Shift)

Ms Shabana Ahmed extended congratulations to the teachers, recognising their unwavering dedication. The event, filled with reverence and gratitude, culminated in a heartfelt note of thanks.

CAREER COUNSELLING BY ERA

A Career Counselling programme was held by the faculty of Nursing at Era College of Nursing, Era University, on December 28, 2023, catering to students from classes X to XII. The session aimed at familiarising them with nursing and paramedical career prospects. Led by Mrs Pooja Misha and Ms Mansiha, the event covered various courses and the admission criteria for both Nursing and Paramedical sectors. Additionally, the session exposed the students to a multitude of opportunities available in these fields. The programme concluded after addressing students' inquiries, leaving them inspired about the potential pathways ahead.



UNITY COLLEGE II SHIFT VISITED CHATORI GALI, RIVER FRONT

In celebration of Atal Bihari Vajpayee's birth anniversary, a vibrant two-day cultural fair took place at Chatori Gali, River Front, on December 25 and 26, 2023, presented jointly by Amar Ujala and the Cultural Department. Seventy students from class VII enthusiastically explored diverse cultures,

savouring dishes representing India's rich culinary heritage and immersing themselves in traditions from various states. The students were captivated by diverse cultural performances, yet the highlight was undeniably the delightful camel and horse rides, adding immense joy to their experience.

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