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NEWS & VIEWS

"Somewhere, Something Incredible Is Waiting To Be Known"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Deepak M Mathews
Principal

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." — W.B. Yeats

As we reflect on another enriching quarter at Unity College, I am filled with pride and gratitude for the vibrant spirit that continues to define our institution. This period has been marked by meaningful celebrations, spirited participation, and focused academic commitment—each reinforcing our shared vision of holistic education.

Our Annual Sports Day was a true celebration of energy, discipline, and teamwork. The enthusiasm displayed by our students on the field beautifully reflected the values of unity, perseverance, and sportsmanship. Such events remind us that education extends beyond classrooms, nurturing not only sharp minds but also strong bodies and resilient spirits.

Equally significant was the Founder's Memorial Day Celebration, a solemn and inspiring occasion that allowed us to honour the vision, values, and ideals upon which Unity College was built. Remembering our founder is not merely an act of homage but a reaffirmation of our commitment to excellence, integrity, and service to society.

On the academic front, the successful conduct of Pre-Board Examinations for Classes X and XII marks an important milestone in our students' journey towards the board examinations. I commend our students for their sincerity and perseverance, our teachers for their tireless guidance, and our parents for their unwavering support. As our board aspirants intensify their preparations, I encourage them to remain focused, confident, and disciplined. Consistent effort, smart revision, and faith in one's abilities will surely lead to success.

As we move ahead, let us continue to work together with dedication and positivity, upholding the ethos of Unity College and striving for excellence in every endeavour.

With best wishes for continued growth and success.

PRE-PRIMARY DUSSEHRA SPARKLES

On October 3, 2025, the Pre-Primary Section celebrated Dussehra, filled with color and creativity under the guidance of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and the Pre-Primary Incharge, Ms Sabica Zehra. Young learners got engaged in creative activities like constructing fire scenes and miniature Ravana's, symbolising the festival's theme of victory of good

over evil. The event fostered joy and curiosity among budding learners, culminating in a deeper understanding of Dussehra's message about the triumph of goodness, truth, and courage. The celebration left children with joyful memories and emphasised the importance of nurturing creativity and cultural awareness.



VISIT TO CHARAK UNITY COLLEGE FARM HOUSE

On October 8, 2025, the Organic Farming Club from classes VI to XI visited Charak Unity College Farm House to monitor previously planted saplings. Guided by teachers Ms Nisar Fatima, Ms Fizza Mehdi, and Ms Ila Shahid, students engaged in observing plant growth and sowing

spinach and beetroot seeds. The trip, approved by Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti, emphasised hands-on experience in sustainable farming and the significance of environmental care.



UNITY STUDENTS EXCEL AT AMUOBA QUIZ & MAGAZINE LAUNCH

The Aligarh Muslim University Old Boys Association (AMUOBA) organised an Inter-School Quiz Competition on October 6, 2025,

with over 200 students from seven schools participating in it.



The prize ceremony took place on October 17, coinciding with Sir Syed Day, where Ayan Ali Mehdi of class XII A from the College won third place, awarded by Justice Augustine George Masih, a Supreme Court Judge. The event featured the unveiling of AMU's annual magazine

'Bazm-e-Wafa,' which included articles by Unity College students in both English and Hindi. The Principal and the Vice Principal praised the efforts of the students and Mr Mohd Mohiuddin, highlighting their contributions to the college's legacy and academic excellence.

QUIZ COMPETITION ON SIR SYED AHMED'S KHAN BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

On October 8, 2025, to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, the AMU Alumni held a Quiz Competition at Unity College for class XII-A (Humanities Stream). The event aimed to honor Sir Syed's contributions to education and social reform. Under the guidance of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and

Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti and coordinated by Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi and Mr Mohd Mohiuddin, students actively participated, demonstrating their knowledge and appreciation for Sir Syed's vision of modern education.



DAAN UTSAV SHARING SMILES

The College celebrated Daan Utsav on October 8, 2025, promoting generosity and social responsibility among Pre-Primary and Primary students. This event, part of the nationwide Joy of Giving Week organised by the NGO Goonj, emphasises urban contributions to rural communities. Students contributed various essentials, including pulses, rice, and hygiene

items, with Goonj facilitating distribution to underprivileged areas. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews praised the students for connecting education with empathy and compassion, and the event aimed to instill a culture of giving, with more initiatives planned for Founder's Memorial Week.



TOBACCO AWARENESS DRIVE

Unity College organised a Dental Awareness Session for non-teaching staff on October 13, 2025, led by Dr Siddhartha Chandle from Era Medical College. He highlighted the severe health risks of tobacco consumption, emphasising its connection to oral cancer. Among those present were Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, Principal

Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews, Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti, Administrative Officer Mr Farman Kazmi, and Counsellor Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi. Attendees were encouraged to quit tobacco and prioritise their health for the sake of their families. The session inspired a commitment to healthier lifestyles.

PRINCIPAL'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The Unity Family celebrated Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews' birthday on October 15, 2025, alongside Ms Talat Sultana, at a joyful gathering in the staffroom. The occasion featured heartfelt wishes, cake cutting, and a bouquet presentation by Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti.

Mr Mathews expressed gratitude for the past year, emphasising perseverance and a focus on the three S's – School, Staff, and Students as a guiding principle. The event concluded with cherished memories, honouring a respected leader.



SUCCESS AT AVINASH CHATURVEDI MEMORIAL INTER-SCHOOL CRICKET TOURNAMENT

The College demonstrated impressive skill and sportsmanship at the Avinash Chaturvedi Memorial Inter-School Cricket Tournament. The team began with a 12-run victory against LPS, Anand Nagar, followed by a 60-run win over St Xavier's College, where Baqir Rizvi was recognised as Man of the Match for his outstanding bowling. They secured a commanding 101-run victory in the quarter-final against City International School, with Rafiushan

earning the same title for his all-round performance. However, the team was eliminated in the semi-final by St Joseph's College, losing by 9 wickets. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti praised the team's dedication and teamwork, encouraging them to learn from the experience and return stronger. The entire Unity community is proud of the team's spirited journey, showcasing determination and dedication.

THE COLLEGE PARTICIPATED IN CONSTANTIA

The College took part in ten events focused on Photography, Computer Programming, Art, and Culinary Skills at Constantia, hosted by La Martiniere College, Lucknow, from October 15 to 17, 2025. The event attracted 30 schools and over 2500 students, marking its largest edition yet. Students demonstrated enthusiasm and talent

across various categories, with Abdul Aqib Murtaza (X-B) winning first place in the 'Shutter Up' Photography Competition. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti praised all participants, especially Abdul Aqib and his mentor Mr Mirza Saif Husain for this achievement.

ORANGE-TASTIC DAY!

The Pre-Primary Section of the College celebrated Orange Day on October 18, 2025, with excitement as students from Lower Nursery, Upper Nursery, and Prep Classes dressed in orange-coloured clothes participated in various activities, including creating 'Orange Carrots' in Lower Nursery, 'Tiger Faces' in Upper Nursery,

and 'Orange Smiley Crafts' in Prep, accompanied by refreshing orange juice. The event combined creativity and learning, allowing children to appreciate the color orange while enjoying laughter and hands-on experiences, resulting in vibrant crafts and cherished memories.



SOWING SEEDS OF LEARNING

On October 18, 2025, students from classes VIII, IX, and XI visited the College Farm House at Charak to sow mustard seeds, aimed at providing practical exposure to agricultural practices. Accompanied by Counsellor Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi, Teacher Ms Ila Shahid, and Farmer Mr Nasir Husain, the students engaged in soil preparation,

seed sowing, and learning about the mustard growth cycle. This hands-on experience fostered insights into eco-friendly farming. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti praised the initiative as a valuable tool for promoting environmental awareness and healthy living among students.



A SESSION OF SPIRITUAL ENLIGHTENMENT

On October 24, 2025, the College hosted a session on "The Impact of Sufism in Islam" by Prof (Rtd) Azizuddin from Aligarh Muslim University. The lecture highlighted Sufism as the 'Soul of Faith,' emphasising heart purification and selfless

service to promote peace. Prof Azizuddin referenced historical figures like Hazrat Umme Kulsoom and Sir Syed Ahmad Khan, drawing connections between Sufi teachings and Gandhi's philosophy.



He addressed the social function of multiple marriages in Islam and uplifted women's status, highlighting Prophet Muhammad's compassion towards his daughter, Hazrat Fatima. Key literary works and the contributions of Sultan Jahan Begum to women's education were also

discussed. The session concluded with a vote of thanks from Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, who praised the speaker and raised questions about educational institutions' roles in women's empowerment, leaving students inspired to integrate Sufi principles in their lives.



DIWALI DELIGHTS

The Diwali Activity on October 25, 2025, at the College engaged Pre-Primary students in culturally significant crafts, guided by Ms Sabica Zehra. Lower Nursery students crafted glittery firecrackers, Upper Nursery children made paper candles emphasising hope, and Prep students

decorated mud diyas, showcasing their creativity. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews encouraged embracing joy and kindness during Diwali. The event was a vibrant and successful celebration creating cherished memories for all involved.



THE COLLEGE SHINES AT TAQREERI MUQABLA, AMEER-UD-DAULA ISLAMIA COLLEGE

The College participated in the Taqreeri Muqabala on October 25, 2025, at Ameeruddaula Islamia College, Lucknow, honouring Prophet Muhammad (SAW) through Naats and speeches from various schools. In the Junior Category of the English Speech Competition, Hal Ata Zahra from class VIII-A won Third Position for her speech on 'The Message of Peace in Islam'. Her success was attributed to the mentorship of Ms Nilofer Jafri and Ms Farheen Fatima Naqvi, and support from Ms Fatima Naseem. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Shachindra Bharti congratulated her for bringing pride to the College.



ANNUAL RECITATION AND DECLAMATION COMPETITION

The Annual Recitation and Declamation Competition at Unity College on October 25, 2025, showcased the public speaking talents of students from classes I to V. The programme commenced with a warm welcome extended to the distinguished guests — College Secretary

Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, Jt Secretary Dr M Talha, Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews, Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti, and Primary Coordinator Ms Tazeen Rizvi and a panel of judges. The event aimed to foster confidence and eloquence.



The Recitation Competition featured imaginative poetry presentations by younger students, while the Declamation Competition included compelling speeches on themes like confidence and discipline from the older students. Judges praised the participants' diction and stage

presence, with remarks on the event's high-quality performances. The day culminated in an awards ceremony that celebrated the achievements of young speakers and their dedication.



Declamation Competition

Class IV

1st Position: Madeeha Zehra (IV C)

2nd Position: Shadma Zehra (IV C)

3rd Position: Arshiya Zainab (IV B)

Class V

1st Position: Mohammad Husain Naqvi (V B)

2nd Position: Muhammad Mehdi Abbas (V B)

3rd Position: Sabeen Zehra (V A) & Masooma Zehra (V C)

Participation Certificates were awarded to the following students:

Mayank Sharma (IV B)

Hana Anis (IV A)

Batool Sarkar (IV A)

Zainab Fatima (V A)

Haleema (V C)

Recitation Competition

Ms Zebi Rizvi (I C)

Ms Narjis Fatima (II B)

Ms Ruby Rizvi (III C)

THE COLLEGE CELEBRATES SPORTS SPIRIT WITH SPLENDOUR & ENTHUSIASM

The spirit of sportsmanship and unity came alive as Unity College, Lucknow, celebrated its Annual Sports Day on November 1, 2025 with great zeal and grandeur. The entire campus resonated with energy and excitement as students, teachers, and guests gathered on the beautifully adorned sports ground to witness a vibrant display of talent, teamwork, and athletic excellence. The day's proceedings were graced by Honourable Justice Sayed Qamar Hasan Rizvi, Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, who attended as the Chief Guest. He was warmly welcomed by College Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, Jt Secretary Dr M Talha, Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews, Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti, Manager II Shift Dr Kalbe Sibtain Noorie,

and other distinguished members of the Managing Committee. Adding warmth and rhythm to the event, the comperes — Ms Sarah Abbas, Ms Fatima Naseem, and Ms Roopam Gupta — conducted the programme with remarkable eloquence and enthusiasm. In his welcome address, Principal Mr Mathews paid homage to Founder President, Padma Bhushan recipient Late Dr S Kalbe Sadiq, whose vision and commitment to holistic education continue to inspire the College in nurturing academic, physical, emotional, and moral excellence. He urged the students and teachers to embrace his spirit of determination, reminding them to 'do it — and do it with excellence.'



The day began on a serene note with an all-religion and continental prayer, invoking blessings for peace and unity across the world. It concluded with the release of a white pigeon, symbolising universal peace. The atmosphere was filled with symbolism and hope as Justice Rizvi released colourful balloons, marking the official commencement of the event. A defining moment of the ceremony was the Torch Run, a mark of endurance and determination.

Chief Guest Justice Rizvi paid a heartfelt tribute to Founder President Late Dr Sadiq, recalling his

long association with him and lauding his vision and dedication that elevated the College to its present stature. He appreciated that Unity College stands distinguished not only for academic excellence but also for its values and vision. Commending the talented students, dedicated teachers, and supportive parents, he remarked that sports instill vital life lessons — strength of body, mind, and character. He motivated the students to keep running their race at their own pace with honesty and perseverance, without giving up.



In conclusion, Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi proposed a heartfelt vote of thanks to the Chief Guest and expressed deep appreciation for the collective efforts of the students, teachers, and organisers in making the event a resounding success. He also lauded the participants for their exemplary sportsmanship, perseverance, and commitment, encouraging them to continue

striving for excellence in all walks of life, and to serve society and humanity at large. The celebration drew to a dignified close with the rendition of the National Anthem, bringing together everyone in a shared spirit of pride, unity, and patriotism — a fitting finale to a day that embodied discipline, harmony, and the indomitable spirit of youth.



TRIBUTE TO IQBAL

The College celebrated Iqbal Day to pay a heartfelt tribute to Dr Mohammad Iqbal, the Poet of the East—a visionary philosopher and poet who inspired generations with his belief that man is the master of his own destiny and breathed new life into Urdu poetry. A Special Assembly held on November 10, 2025 was graced by the benign presence of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn

Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti. Innama Abbas (VIII-C) delivered an eloquent speech highlighting the poet's timeless message—to perform good deeds and enlighten the world around, and urged the students to carry forward his legacy with learning and sincerity.



Imaan Batool conducted an engaging quiz that tested students' knowledge of the great poet's life and works. Towards the conclusion, Primary students presented a heart-warming and melodious group performance of Iqbal's immortal poem 'Lab Pe Aati Hai Dua', filling the ambience with serenity and devotion. The programme was vibrantly anchored by Fatima Rizvi (XII-A) and meticulously organised by the Department of Urdu.

Later, as part of the celebration, an Urdu Writing Competition was organised for the Primary Section. Students from classes II to V participated with great enthusiasm, expressing their thoughts creatively on topics such as Chirdiya, Hamare Gaon, Roshan Charag, and Kehna Bado Ka Mano. The activity aimed to instill a love for Urdu, nurture young writers, and reinforce the timeless

message of Allama Iqbal.

In his address, Mr Mathews lauded Dr Iqbal as a visionary deeply connected to the soil, one who rejuvenated Urdu literature, wrote for the common people, and played a significant role in the freedom struggle. He urged students to uphold Iqbal's ideals and let his noble mission continue to inspire future generations. Quoting Iqbal's lines 'Sitaron Se Aage Jahan Aur Bhi Hain', he encouraged the students to face every challenge of life with courage and perseverance, creating a radiant path of their own success and glory.

The literary commemoration concluded with the singing of the National Anthem, rekindling the spirit of Dr Iqbal's vision for a united, enlightened, and progressive nation.



CAREER GUIDANCE SESSION BY MR DANISH MURTAZA

Mr Danish Murtaza, Director of Lift Dynamics Ptv Ltd and S3 Innovate Ptv Ltd, Singapore, and an Entrepreneur and Electrical Engineer with more than 20 years of experience in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering, conducted an insightful session on November 10, 2025, for the students of class XI. The session was attended and coordinated by Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews, Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti, and Counsellors

Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi and Ms Ghazala Jafri.

Mr Murtaza, who was invited by Principal Mr Mathews, guided the students about higher education and career opportunities in Singapore. He explained the admission criteria in top universities, eligibility requirements for A-Level students, living conditions in Singapore, and the importance of securing good grades in class XII to avail scholarships.

The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Vice Principal Mr Bharti, who appreciated the

valuable guidance shared and encouraged students to explore opportunities in Singapore.



THE COLLEGE OPENS VICTORY IN JAGDISH GANDHI MEMORIAL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

The College participated in the Second Jagdish Gandhi Memorial Football Tournament and began their campaign on November 10, 2025, with an impressive victory against CMS Rajendra Nagar, defeating them 3-0. The team displayed remarkable coordination and sportsmanship. Amaan Agha (XII-B) netted two goals, while Mohammad Mehdi (X-C) added one, securing a confident start for the College. The team further strengthened its position with another

commanding 3-0 victory against CMS Rajajipuram on the following day. The goals were skilfully scored by Ali Jafar (XII-B), Qaim Abbas (XII-A), and Arham Haider (XII-B), showcasing the team's consistent form and attacking prowess.

Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti congratulated the team on their splendid performance and encouraged them to maintain their winning spirit throughout the tournament.



WISE TALKS SOLUTION: ORIENTED PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

The Wise Talks Solution-Oriented Public Speaking Competition for classes VI to X was held on November 11, 2025. This unique platform encourages students not only to hone their public speaking skills but also to become proactive problem-solvers in their communities. Participants were required to identify a relevant problem at the school, community, state, national or even global level, conduct research, and propose a practical solution. The event was organised under the guidance of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal

Mr Sachindra Bharti, and coordinated by English teachers Ms Mahlaqua Siddiqui and Ms Sarah Abbas.

Students presented well-researched topics such as Poor Waste Management Near the School, the Impact of Screen Time on Academic Performance, lack of Mental Health Awareness Among Youth, rising Anaemia in Teenagers, the Decline of Regional Languages, neglect of Art, the Phantom Economy and its Role in making traditional skills obsolete, and the Digital Divide in the community.



RESULTS

1st Position
Tasbeeh Fatima IX-C

2nd Position
Ayesha Hayat VIII-C

3rd Position
Fuzail Murtaza X-A

Certificates were awarded to the winners. The event successfully inspired students to think

critically and contribute meaningfully to society.

ARTISTIC TALENT ON DISPLAY AT EXPRESSION 2025

Young artists Wajeeha Batool (IX-A) and Azmi Bano (IX-C) made a remarkable impression at Expressions 2025—an Inter-College Cultural and Literary Festival hosted by St Francis College from November 13 to 15, 2025.

They participated in the Face Painting Competition, where Wajeeha Batool served as the painter and Azmi Bano as the model. Their

artwork, inspired by two characters from the Disney film 'Moana', captivated the judges with its finesse and creativity, earning them the second prize. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti congratulated Art Teacher Ms Sadhana Pal for her guidance and lauded the participants for their outstanding creativity.



LIBRARY WEEK CELEBRATED WITH ENTHUSIASM

Library Week was celebrated from November 14 to 20, 2025 with great zeal. The event was coordinated by Librarian Ms Amreen Rizvi under the guidance of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti. Various competitions were organised during the week, including Story Telling, Book Jacket Making, GK Quiz, Scavenger Hunt, Book Review, Story Writing and Creative Writing. Students from classes III to XI participated actively, showcasing creativity, knowledge and literary skills.



The results were as follows:

Class III

Story Telling Session

I Position:

Sakeena Zaidi (III-B)

II Position:

Vajahat Rizvi (III-C)

III Position:

Masooma (III-A)

Class IV

Story Telling

I Position:

Anamta Bano (IV-A)

II Position:

Maryam Fatima (IV-C)

III Position:

Bisma Fatima (IV-B)

Class V

Book Jacket Making
Competition

I Position: Arshyan (V-A)

II Position:

Uzma Fatima (V-C)

III Position:

Hussain Naqvi (V-B)

Class VI

GK Quiz (Topic: College)

I Position:

Syeda Ibteda Zehra (VI-A)

II Position:

Sadiqa Zaheen (VI-B)

III Position: Syed Mohammad
Abbas Rizvi (VI-C)

Class VII

Scavenger Hunt

I Position:

Zayra Mazhar (VII-B)

II Position:

Nabeela (VII-A)

III Position:

Tatheer Fatima (VII-C)

Class VIII

Book Review

I Position: Sakina Raza (VIII-C)

II Position:

Syeda Sumaira Bano (VIII-B) &
Rafey Ali (VIII-A)

III Position:

Ayesha Hayat (VIII-C)

Class IX

Story Writing

I Position:

Alisha Fatima (IX-B)

II Position:

Kainaat Fatima (IX-C)

III Position:

Aamina (IX-A)

Class X

Story Writing

I Position:

Gulshan Fatima (X-C)

II Position:

Zainab Fatima (X-A)

III Position:

Zehra Fatima (X-C)

Class XI

Creative Writing

I Position: Aamra Fatima (XI-C)

II Position:

Fariya Fatima (XI-C) &
Hasham Mehdi (XI-B)

III Position:

Mehdi Zehra (XI-A)

The week-long celebration successfully promoted reading habits and fostered literary talent among students.



SPIRIT OF CHILDHOOD SHINES AT UNITY COLLEGE

Children's Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm on November 14, 2025, across all sections of the College.

In the Pre-Primary Section, children enjoyed a lively assembly packed with quizzes, songs, poems, and fun games, followed by an entertaining NIE puppet show by Puppet Artist Mr Sanjeev Srivastava. Classroom celebrations

continued with games, card-making, movie screening, and sharing of tiffins and cakes.

For classes I to XII, a special morning assembly was organised under the guidance of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti. The overall incharges, Ms Seema Kazmi and Ms Anam Haider, ensured the smooth and joyful conduct of the programme.



'Beans and Bowl' for the Primary Section, and 'Out of the Box' and 'Guess the Clue' for the Secondary and Senior Secondary students.

A delightful surprise came when Mathematics teacher Mr Shahidul Haq Siddiqui mesmerised the audience with his rendition of 'Hum Intezar Kareng.' The lively atmosphere continued with choir performances: the Secondary and Senior Secondary choir led by Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi, and the Primary choir led by Ms Afreen Rizvi, presenting Lakdi Ki Kathi and Love You Zindagi.

Vice Principal Mr Bharti enriched the celebration with two meaningful shayaris – 'Girte Hain

Shahsawar' dedicated to the football team, and 'Khudi Ko Kar Buland Itna' for all students. Principal Mr Mathews conveyed warm Children's Day wishes before the assembly concluded with the National Anthem, followed by the distribution of sweets.

Later in the day, students and teachers enjoyed a friendly cricket match. The students' team won, though the teachers put up a tough fight, making the match thrilling and enjoyable for all.

Overall, the day was filled with joy, camaraderie, and unforgettable moments, truly capturing the spirit of Children's Day at the College.

COLLEGE SECRETARY HONoured FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

The Andaazians Exhibition, organised by Andaaz-e-Lucknow, a non-governmental organisation dedicated to uplifting weaker sections of society—particularly women—was held from November 14 to 16 at Nehru Yuva Kendra near the historic Roomi Gate. The three-day event provided an important platform for emerging women entrepreneurs to present their talents and entrepreneurial work. During the programme, the NGO felicitated Unity College Secretary, Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, in recognition of his relentless efforts towards social betterment and his commitment to empowering women through his various initiatives. Presenting the memento, Ms Neha Parveen and Ms Imrana Azmat commended Mr Rizvi's significant contributions to society and lauded his continued dedication to promoting inclusive growth.



Q SCHOOL ANNUAL PROGRAMME AND EXHIBITION

The QSschool Annual Programme and Exhibition, held on November 22 and 24, 2025, at the College, showcased the work and performances of students from the QSschool classes of the College across both I and II shifts. The event was honoured by the presence of College Secretary and Founder of QSschools Lucknow, Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, accompanied by his wife and son; Manager II shift, Dr S Kalbe Sibtain Noorie;

Principal, Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews; Vice Principal, Mr Sachindra Bharti; and College Counsellor, Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi.

The programme began with a welcome address by the Principal, who emphasised that QSschool was founded as a madrasa with a difference—one committed to nurturing understanding, reflection, and responsible behaviour.



He highlighted QSschool's hands-on and child-centred methods that make Islamic learning meaningful, purposeful, and far from monotonous.

The performances were spiritually rich, academically aligned, and creatively executed. An inspirational video of Dr Kalbe Sadiq set the tone by reinforcing the importance of education, harmony, and the balance between modern and Islamic learning. This was followed by a heartfelt Qir'at recitation focused on verses related to the Ahlul Bayt. A thought-provoking skit on Israaf

conveyed the Quranic guidance from Surah Israa on avoiding extravagance. The lively Lunar Month Song added an enjoyable learning element, while mnemonics for Surah names demonstrated how effectively students are internalising Quranic content. A visually engaging presentation titled Quran City—a QFatima concept—portrayed Surahs as buildings, captivating the audience. A moving Noha dedicated to Sayyada Fatima (SA) added emotional depth, and the segment concluded with an enthusiastic display of knowledge in the interactive Risala Quiz.



A special video message from Ms Sabira Taqi underscored the value of experiential Islamic learning.

Parents responded with great appreciation, noting that QSschool helps children understand religion thoughtfully rather than memorise it superficially. Dr Noorie congratulated the team,

with particular praise for the Qir'at presentation, and acknowledged the efforts of QSschool Coordinator, Ms Sakeena Raza. Mr Rizvi reaffirmed the equal significance of worldly and religious education and reiterated QSschool's mission of nurturing practical Muslims who serve both their Creator and His creation.

FOUNDER'S MEMORIAL DAY A TRIBUTE TO AN ENDURING VISIONARY

The College commemorated Founder's Memorial Day on November 23, 2025, honouring the late Dr S Kalbe Sadiq on his 5th death anniversary. The event included a 'Week of Giving,' from November 18 to November where students from various classes participated in charitable activities, distributing essentials to residents and children in need.



The day also highlighted the Organic Club's environmental initiatives. Following the ceremony, the Tauheedul Muslimeen Trust awarded top performers from the CHAMPS exam, commemorating Dr Sadiq's educational

vision and ongoing influence. The observance was a reminder of Dr Sadiq's timeless principles of compassion, equality, and educational excellence, which continue to guide the college's mission.



CLASS XII-A CONDUCTS SEMINAR ON WORLD WAR II

A seminar on World War II was conducted on November 24, 2025 for the History students of class XII-A under the guidance of their teacher Mr Mohd Mohiuddin. The session aimed to deepen students' knowledge and provide clearer insight into significant wartime events, with

students presenting on selected themes.

The discussion centred on the Battle of Midway, emphasising Japan's strategic aims following the attack on Pearl Harbor and the crucial role of Allied code-breaking efforts.



Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti appreciated the innovative teaching approach, noting that such scholarly engagements enable students to delve deeper into the causes, developments, and far-

reaching consequences of historical events.

The seminar proved insightful and engaging, successfully enhancing the students' understanding of one of the most significant turning points of World War II.

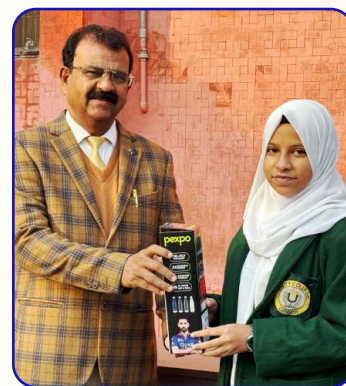
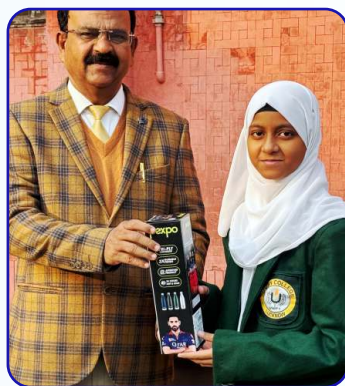
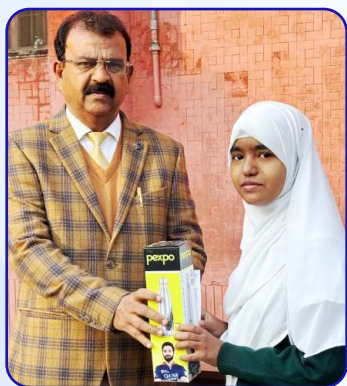
UNITY SHINES AT ESSAY WRITING & RECITATION COMPETITION

On the occasion of the martyrdom anniversary of Hazrat Fatima Zehra (SA), an Essay Writing and Essay Recitation Competition was organised by the Centre for Education and Training Trust on November 25, 2025, at Chhota Imambada, Husainabad. Four students from Unity College also participated in the event, and all of them were honoured with prestigious prizes.

The participating students from class IX-B were Mohd Akhar, Masooma Fatima, Tasbeeh Fatiha, and Fariya Fatima Rizvi. Notably, Masooma

Fatima received a special prize of ₹500 for her commendable essay as well as her impressive recitation.

Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti congratulated the young achievers on their success. Mr Mathews motivated the students, emphasising that more children should take part in writing competitions, as such platforms allow them to express themselves confidently in English and assess their abilities at an international level.



EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION TRAINING SESSION

The Virtual Teachers Training Session held on November 26, 2025 via Zoom brought together all Pre-Primary teachers for an enriching learning experience. Ms Sabica Zehra, Pre Primary Coordinator, opened the session by welcoming the resource person, Ms Shamim Abidi, an Early Childhood Education Trainer from Switzerland, and expressed confidence in the value of the training.

Ms Abidi introduced the concept of Hands-on Learning Progression, emphasising that fun, engaging, and experiential activities form the foundation of effective early learning. She highlighted the scientific benefits of play-based methods, explaining how games reduce

emotional stress, calm the mind, and support holistic development. Since English is a second language for most learners, tactile exploration was emphasised as key to stimulating creativity and comprehension.

Covering phonics, storytelling, Mathematics, English, EVS, and physical-cognitive development, Ms Abidi guided teachers on setting behavioural boundaries and creating diverse learning corners, including sand and reading areas. To make Fitzroy Readers interactive, strategies like role-play, drawing, decoding, blending, segmenting, sight-word practice, and controlled vocabulary were recommended.



The session concluded with Ms Abidi thanking teachers for their active participation. Attendees



found the training highly informative, practical, and motivating for classroom implementation.

LITTLE FIRST AIDERS

The First Aid Day Activity, held on November 29, 2025 for the Pre-Primary Section, brought a lively blend of curiosity and hands-on learning to the classrooms. With guidance from the teaching team and the support of the Pre-Primary

Coordinator, Ms Sabica Zehra, the activities began seamlessly, offering children simple, enjoyable ways to understand basic first aid concepts.



Lower Nursery learners delighted in a simulated surgery activity, dressed in complete medical attire—including blue hair nets, masks and gloves—and practising pretend procedures on soft toys. Upper Nursery children added a creative spark by crafting symbolic first aid kits using black chart paper with a glittery red '+', helping them recognise important emergency symbols while showcasing neatness and creativity. Prep students added a practical



dimension through a First Aid Box scrapbook activity, using real materials such as band-aids, earbuds and cotton rolls, which allowed them to connect classroom learning with real-life situations.

First Aid Day ultimately proved meaningful and memorable, instilling early safety awareness, empathy and confidence, while helping young learners understand the importance of offering help during minor injuries.



INEXT HEALTHON HALF MARATHON 2025

Dainik Jagran organised the Inext Healthon Half Marathon 2025 on November 30, 2025 at Janeshwar Mishra Park. The Lucknow Healthon emerged as a landmark event, beautifully blending the city's rich cultural heritage with a modern enthusiasm for fitness. The marathon featured various categories, including 21 km, 10 km, 5 km and 2 km, attracting participants from different age groups. Two NCC cadets, Muniba

Zainab (IX-B) and Zoya Zehra (IX-A), took part in the 2 km walk and brought pride to the College by winning medals. Both cadets were felicitated during the morning assembly. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti congratulated them for their achievement and for being a part of an initiative that encourages a healthy, fit, and active lifestyle.



ORGANIC FARMING DRIVE AT UNITY

To commemorate the fifth death anniversary of Founder President Padma Bhushan Late Dr Kalbe Sadiq, a fortnight of public welfare activities was organised at Unity College. As part of this series, Tauheedul Muslimeen Trust, in collaboration with the Organic Club of the College, conducted a tree plantation drive at Unity Farm, on Monday, December 1, 2025. Students from Unity College (Morning and II Shift), New St John's School, Taha School, Kalbe Abid Memorial School and AIIMS School participated with great enthusiasm. The programme aimed not only to promote greenery

but also to raise awareness about sustainable and organic farming practices.

The event was graced by the presence of Dr Himanshu Dhapola, Senior Scientist (Medicinal Plants); Mr Raghavendra Mishra, Secretary of Jan Kalyan Seva Sansthan; Mr Anand Kumar Saxena, General Secretary of the UP Non-Olympic Association; College Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi; Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews; and Organic Club In-charges Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi, Ms Fizza Mehdi and Ms Ila Shahid.



On this occasion, Scientist Dr Himanshu Dhapola, along with representatives from Dabur India Limited, highlighted the significance of organic farming and shared information about various Dabur herbal products, as well as the free motivational organic farming services offered by the company.

College students Anayah Siddiqui (XI-B) and Waheb Askari (IX-B) expressed their views on organic farming, stressing its necessity for a

healthier environment and a sustainable future. Secretary Mr Rizvi proposed the vote of thanks, emphasising the need to return to green, nature-friendly practices and encouraging students to become active ambassadors of environmental protection.

The initiative concluded with a renewed commitment to environmental conservation and organic cultivation.

VISIT OF COMMANDING OFFICER, 19 UP GIRLS BATTALION

The College had the honour of welcoming the Commanding Officer of 19 UP Girls Battalion, Col Dinesh Kumar Pathak, on December 3, 2025. The NCC cadets accorded him a formal reception, standing in disciplined formation as he arrived in campus. Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews extended a warm welcome to the honourable guest.

The visit began with a meeting of Col Pathak with Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, Managing

Committee Members, Principal Mr Mathews, and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti, during which they discussed the progress and activities of the NCC unit at Unity College. This was followed by an inspection of the NCC Room, where the Commanding Officer carefully reviewed the registers, training schedules, and documentation related to cadet activities. He expressed satisfaction over the organisation and preparedness of the unit.



The programme concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks by Mr Najmul Hasan, who acknowledged the Commanding Officer's valuable guidance and praised the discipline, enthusiasm, and exemplary conduct of the NCC

cadets. He further appreciated the tireless efforts of ANO Ms Nilofer Jafri, whose dedication continues to strengthen the NCC unit of Unity College.



MORAL SCIENCE ASSEMBLY: UNITY IN DIVERSITY

A special morning assembly was conducted on December 4, 2025 by the Moral Science students, featuring a thought-provoking skit prepared by Mr Mohd Mohiuddin under the guidance of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti. The performance highlighted the theme of unity in diversity and conveyed a powerful message of compassion and empathy, which are the need of the hour.

Principal Mr Mathews appreciated the efforts of the students and shared the example of a farmer who grows crops without considering who will eat them, and a doctor who treats patients without discriminating on the basis of religion, reinforcing the belief that united we stand and divided we fall. The assembly concluded with the reminder that unity and compassion are the true foundations of a harmonious community.



CAREER GUIDANCE SESSION BY MR DANISH MURTAZA

A History Seminar was organised on December 4, 2025 by History Teacher Mr Mohd Mohiuddin, in collaboration with the History students of class XII-A. The initiative aimed to strengthen students' conceptual understanding of the prescribed syllabus while enhancing their research, presentation, and analytical skills ahead of the Board examinations.

Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews appreciated the endeavour, remarking that such research-based activities deepen students' knowledge, sharpen their focus, and serve as

excellent preparation for the Boards. Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti also commended the efforts of the teacher and students, noting that the learning activity would greatly assist learners in retaining concepts. He concluded with the famous words of Confucius: "I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand."

The enriching event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks proposed by Mr Mohiuddin, acknowledging the enthusiastic participation of the students.



HUSAIN SHINES AT LA MARTINIERE CUP FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

The College delivered an impressive performance at the La Martiniere Cup Football Boys Tournament, held from December 4 to 12, 2025, showcasing remarkable skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the competition.

The College team began its victorious journey by defeating Indus Valley College with an emphatic 4-0 win. In the second match, the team dominated Colvin Public School, registering a massive 10-0 victory. Continuing their winning streak, Unity faced La Martiniere College in the third match and emerged triumphant with a

commanding 6-0 scoreline. In the quarter-final match held thereafter, the College defeated Sacred Heart College by 2-0, securing a well-deserved place in the semi-finals. The semi-final encounter saw Unity take on Stella Mary's College, where they clinched a thrilling 2-1 victory to advance to the final. The final match, held on December 12, was played against La Martiniere College. Despite a spirited and determined performance, the College narrowly lost the match by 1-0, finishing as the runners-up of the prestigious tournament.



Adding to the glory, Husain (X-C) emerged as the Top Scorer of the tournament, scoring an outstanding 9 goals, while Mohd Haider (IX-B) was honoured as the Best Goalkeeper for his exceptional performance throughout the tournament.

Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti lauded the players

and their Coach Mr Amir Ali for bringing pride to the institution and encouraged them to continue striving for excellence in future tournaments.

The remarkable journey of the College at the La Martiniere Cup stands as a testament to the students' dedication, resilience, and passion for sports, inspiring many to pursue excellence both on and off the field.



NTSE EXAMINATION CONDUCTED BY AMP

The National Talent Search Examination (NTSE) was conducted by the Association of Muslim Professionals (AMP) on December 13, 2025, at Unity College under the supervision of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti. A total of 118 students registered for the examination, which also witnessed participation from students of various other schools, making it a competitive and diverse academic event. The programme was efficiently coordinated by the Programme In-charge,

Ms Fauzia Abbas, while Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi served as the observer during the examination, ensuring its smooth and fair conduct. The examination aimed to assess students' aptitude, reasoning ability, logical thinking, and mathematical skills, providing them with an opportunity to test their analytical and problem-solving capabilities. The smooth conduct of the examination reflected the well-organised efforts of the organising team and the supportive administration of the institution.



VIBRANT VISIONS: PRIMARY ART AND CRAFT EXHIBITION 2025

With colour, form, and imagination on full display, the Art and Craft Exhibition – Primary Section, Unity College, held on December 20, 2025, opened a window into the creative world of young learners. Students of classes I to V participated

with spirited enthusiasm, transforming their classrooms into imaginative learning spaces that reflected originality, coordination, and purposeful effort under dedicated teacher guidance.



The exhibition was graced by the presence of the College Secretary Mr Najmul Hasan Rizvi, Jt Secretary Dr M Talha, Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews, and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti. Also present were the College Administrative Officer Mr Farman Kazmi, Primary Section Coordinator Ms Tazeen Rizvi,

College Counsellor Ms Nisar Fatima Rizvi, Manager, II Shift Dr Kalbe Sibtain Noorie, and Principal, II Shift Ms Shabana Ahmed, along with teachers, parents, and members of the College Secretary's family, who expressed generous appreciation for the creativity and dedication displayed by the students and teachers.



The programme commenced on a warm and welcoming note, with guests and parents being cordially received. The inauguration was marked by a ribbon-cutting ceremony conducted by Principal Mr Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Bharti, following which Ms Tazeen Rizvi briefly introduced the theme of the exhibition and acknowledged the dedication of students and teachers in bringing the displays to life.

The exhibition unfolded through class-wise

thematic presentations, each offering a distinct and engaging experience.

The exhibition made a strong impression through its systematic organisation, visual richness, and the confidence with which students explained their work. Guests and parents appreciated the originality of ideas, the finesse of craftsmanship, and the clarity of presentation demonstrated across all classes.

FESTIVE DELIGHTS MARK CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR AT UNITY

The echoes of exhilaration and jubilation filled the campus as the College celebrated the festive spirit of Christmas and the approaching New Year through a special morning assembly, conducted in perfect harmony with the joyous mood of the season. The assembly was organised around an all-red theme, symbolising love, warmth, and festivity. Santa Claus and a Christmas celebration model set the tone for the joyful assembly. The occasion was graced by the presence of Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews and Vice Principal Mr Sachindra Bharti.

The programme commenced on a solemn note

with the recitation of Qirat by Arham (VII-B), followed by the Pledge. Adding musical charm to the celebration, the Primary students presented the melodious carol 'O Christmas Tree', captivating the audience with their innocence and enthusiasm. The Secondary students enthralled everyone with a lively carol medley, featuring 'Joy to the World', 'Jingle Bells', and 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year'. The assembly was energetically and gracefully anchored keeping the festive spirit alive throughout.



Addressing the gathering, Principal Mr Deepak Mervyn Mathews appreciated the well-organised and meaningful assembly, and commended the efforts of the organisers, Ms Seema Kazmi, Ms Anam Haider, Ms Mehnaz Mehdi and Ms Shahwar Taqvi. He highlighted that festivals like Christmas are celebrated across the world as

symbols of love, forgiveness, and harmony.

The assembly concluded with warm festive wishes, reminding everyone that celebrations become meaningful only when we resolve to nurture kindness, respect, and humanity within ourselves.

UNITY COLLEGE IInd SHIFT

CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Unity College, II Shift celebrated Children's Day on November 14, 2025, featuring a Special Assembly with a Quran recitation and a Prayer for Children. Teachers entertained the students with nursery rhymes and motivational songs. A quiz on Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was conducted which honored India's first Prime Minister. Principal Ms

Shabana Ahmad highlighted the importance of love, care, and education for every child. In classrooms, teachers distributed sweets to students. The Montessori Section held engaging activities for Lower and Upper Nursery students, including action rhymes and games, culminating in gift distribution that left the children delighted.

INTER-HOUSE KHO-KHO MATCH

The Inter-House Kho-Kho Match was held on November 7, 2025, showcasing the athletic prowess, agility and teamwork of students from various houses. The event witnessed keenly contested matches and enthusiastic participation. Asif Ud-Daula House emerged victorious, securing the first position under the

able leadership of Captain Ayana (XI-A). APJ Abdul Kalam House put up a commendable performance and earned the second position, led by Captain Rahba Fatima (XI-A). The match reflected a fine spirit of sportsmanship and healthy competition among the participants.