



ST. GEORGE'S HOUSE

"A LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE: 10 YEARS & COUNTING"

"Desire, burning desire, is basic to achieving anything beyond the ordinary."

-Joseph B. Wirthlin

On the 16th of November, 2024 amidst the grand celebration of the institution's celebrating 140 glorious years of its establishment, on the grand occasion of its Annual Athletic Meet and PT Display, St. George's House achieved a rare feat: it **won** the "Cock House Shield" for the 10th consecutive time, ensuring that the house flag was once again hoisted atop the Jubilee Block signifying the immeasurable efforts put in by the students and teachers of Red House.

It wasn't something ordinary: it was an unusual yet defining victory for the House. An entire generation has been witness to the steady and unstoppable rise of Red House. From missing out on the "Cock House Shield" by a single point in 2013-14 to being absolute winners since 2014 has been a phenomenal journey.

Let us pause and ponder over the significant milestones covered by the St. George's House over the past year.

The past year has had the St. George's House on its heels where the fight was cutthroat and fierce. Beginning with the first Inter-house activity of the year, **Inter-House Volley Ball**, the Red House dominated the tournament and bagged the **1st place**. A special mention goes to **Kavya Rai(12F)**, **Aishwary(12C)**, **Mohd. Areeb(12B)**, **Vaibhav Pandey(12C)**, **Suyash Srivastava(12C)**, **Anany Mishra(10C)**, **Hadi Aqdas(10C)** and **Samarth Mishra(10C)** for their indomitable spirit of true sportsmanship and teamwork.

The next enthralling chapter in the making of a Decennial Cock House Shield Win was the "**Inter-House Lawn Tennis Tournament**". The pupils of Red House displayed their exquisite talents in both the junior as well as senior categories. While Red House came **1st** in the junior category, it secured the **2nd** spot in the seniors. The brave hearts of the junior team were **Kushank Tripathi(6C)**, **Tejas Chaturvedi(6F)**, **Sarthak Singh(7G)** and **Ayan Yadav(8B)**. The senior team comprised of **Aharva Tiwari(9E)**, **Hadi Aqdas(10C)**, **Samarth Mishra(10C)**, **Sourish Jain(10F)** and **Aaron Masih(10G)**.

The next sporting activity was the aqua face-off:





the **“Inter House Aquatic Meet”**. The fantastic swimmers of our House displayed their agility and flexibility in the pool, thus swimming their way to the top. Although St. George’s House stood 2nd in Relay (25x4), it was crowned the 1st place in the overall results. **A special shoutout to Yatharth Sinha of 12C (O-Division), Atharva Pratap Yadav of (A-Division), Amogh Chaurasia of (C-Division), Arjun Bhanot of (B-Division).**

In the **“Inter House Football Tournament”**, the Red House jointly secured the 2nd place with the Green House in the Senior Category while making its way to the 1st place in the Junior as well as the Sub-Junior Category. Players who deserve a round of applause are **Suyash Srivastava(12C), Mohd. Arkaan Khan(11B), Yash Srivastava(12A), Sangyan Singh(12C) and Aishwary(12C).** Their contribution in making the team was indescribable indeed.

It was now the game of Kings, Queens and Knights: the **“Inter-House Chess Tournament.”** Georgians were unstoppable here too and they showcased extreme focus and proved their excellent logical thinking throughout gameplays. The Red House was 1st in Junior and Sub Junior categories while it secured the 3rd place amongst the Seniors. A word of appreciation goes to **Mohd. Hasnain Siddique(10B)**, who also happens to be the ‘Poster Boy’ of Chess at SJC. Hailing from a family full of chess geniuses, Hasnain and his brothers have been chess prodigies. Interestingly, Hasnain is also the Runner –Up of the SGFI Chess while representing CISCE. Other notable chess masters hailing from Red House were **Kavyam Srivastava(12A), Yadavendra(11A), Hasan Javed(8A), Sourish Das(8E), Arjun Bhanot(8F), Shreesh Dubey(8C) and Badal Maurya(8B).**

It just didn’t stop here: St. George’s House once again proved its mettle by securing 1st place in both the Senior as well as Junior Categories in the **“Inter-House Badminton Tournament”**. The Junior Team comprised of **Abhinav Somvanshi(7C), Yashvardhan**

Singh(7C), Aditya Gupta(7E), Om Tiwari(7E) and Ishan Gupta(8D). The senior Team consisted of **Shubhang Pant(8E), Augustya Vardhan(8E), Dev Dwivedi(11F), Anmol Krishna(10C), Samarth Mishra(10C), Devansh Jaiswal(10E) and Shourya Kesarwani(9E).**

In the **“Inter-House Kabaddi”**, continuing its victorious streak, the Red House showed its prowess in both the Senior and Junior categories by clinching the 1st place. Even in the face of fierce competition, our boys showed great resilience and marched all the way to victory. A special mention to **Sumit Yadav(10D), Pratham Chaurasia(10E), Amaar Khushhal(11B), Mohd. Areeb(12B), Anany Mishra(10C), Hadi Aqdas(10C) and Samarth Mishra(10C),** for not only playing well but also guiding the Junior Team.

Continuing its victory march, the St. George’s House once again marvellously performed at the **“Inter-House Table Tennis Tournament”** wherein it was 1st in both the Senior as well as the Junior Categories. The jaw-droppers of the Junior team were **Arul Bharadwaj(8B), Shivansh Varma(8F), Anant Bajpai(8F), Aaradhay(8F), Arjun Bhanot(8F).** The stars of the Senior team were **Naman Soni(10C), Shaurya Pratap(10A), Ananat Gupta(9E), Akshay Porwal(11C) and Sourish Jain(10F).**

The game of cricket had its ups and downs and resulted in a mixed result for the Red House. In the **“Inter-House Cricket Tournament”**, cricket teams of the Senior, Junior and Sub-Junior Category secured 3rd, 2nd and 4th places respectively.

What can be a test of one’s flexibility and agility? It is none other than the ancient practice of ‘Yoga’. The Red house was once again ready to prove its mettle in yet another challenging sporting activity, the **“Inter-House Yoga”**. The house came out with flying colours as it clinched the 1st place in the Junior category while it secured the 2nd place in the Senior as well as Sub-Junior categories. The fantastic figures of the Senior team



were **Akshit Jasiwal(10A), Mohd. Areeb(12B), Sumit Yadav(10D), Aditya Gupta(9B), Ish Mehrotra(9B)**. The Junior team had **Sukhpreet Singh(7A), Kushank Tripathi(6C), Vardaan(6G), Aaradhay(8F), Humaid Zaheen Siddiqui(8G)** as the winning group.

As they say, 'Not all Days are Bright' and for the Red House, the game of Basketball proved to be that one example. It didn't turn out as expected for the St. George's House. In the **"Inter-House Basketball Tournament"**, the house came 2nd in the Sub-Junior and Junior categories while finished 4th amongst the Seniors.

The grand show awaited all; it was the time for the Post Centenary Ruby Jubilee Annual Athletic Meet and P.T Display 2024. The air was charged with excitement and everyone was geared up. The efforts of the past few months were to bear fruit. As expected, Georgians' performance was astounding. A round of thunderous applause goes to all the athletes-**Shaurya Pratap Singh, Sabeel Ali, Ishan Gupta, Mohd. Affan, Amarnath, Vedansh Kumar Yadav, Abhishek Tiwari, Sumit Yadav, Shaurya Verma, Bhishm Yadav, Mohd. Arsh, Mohd. Noman, Aishwary, Yatharth Sinha and Amaar Khushhal.**

The Leslie Gordon Carver Memorial Individual Championship Trophy to the Best Athlete was clinched by **Abhishek Tiwari (for A-Division), Ishan Gupta (for B-Division) and by Vedansh Kumar Yadav (for E-Division)**. The Best All-Rounder of the Year (Senior) was bagged by **Aditya Mishra**.

In total, the Red House was awarded the **Athletics Shield for the 7th consecutive time** and the **Cock House Shield for the 10th consecutive time**. Notably, the St. George's House had accrued a total of **206 Cock House points**, ensuring the Red House to celebrate the **'Dominance of a Decennium'**.

The Office Bearers of St. George's House for 2024-25 were:

Captain :	Mohd. Areeb (12B)
Vice-Captain :	Arsh Jaiswal (11B)
C-Squad Leader :	Aishwary (12C)

I am grateful to the Magnificent Moderator of our House, **Er. Prateek Hemrajani**: a person who has lived each child's dream, has put in consistent hard work and led the St. George's House to the top since 2016 and has ensured that he carried forward the legacy of **(Late) Mr. Leon Andre DuCasse**. The Assistant Moderator for the Academic Year was **Mrs. Madhulika D'Souza**. I whole heartedly extend my gratitude to our dedicated teachers of the House, namely **Mrs. Jisha Joy, Mrs. Shruti Rajauriya, Dr.(Mrs.) Sheetal Sebastian, Mrs. Deepti Mishra, Mrs. Lim Terry, Mrs. Ancy Thomas, Mrs. Reema Gupta, Mrs. Priyansha E. Simon, Mrs. Nishu Bajpai, Mr. Nirat Darbari, Mr. Deepesh Sebastian, Dr. Vishnu Deb, Mr. Samar Chatterjee, Mr. Chandan K. Mishra and Mr. Joy Peter**. Their assistance, team work and cooperation were unparalleled. For the House, it was one of the best Academic Years one could've ever asked for.

I also would like to extend a special word of thanks to our Junior Section House Moderator, **Ms. Ishita Kesarwani** and Co-Moderator, **Ms. Ridhima Gandhi** for their superb co-ordination. I am ever grateful to the other teachers of the Junior Section who have put in their efforts namely, **Ms. Jyotika Alexander, Ms. Michelle Ducasse, Ms. Fenella Ann D'Souza, Mrs. Tanya Agarwal, Ms. Hemlata Srivastava, Ms. Richa Kundnani, Ms. Anisha J. Simon, Ms. Donna Jonathan, Ms. Stuti Sharma, Ms. Anika Topno, Ms. Farah Kazmi and Ms. Aroma Grace**.

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