



ST. ANDREW'S HOUSE

"The surest way
to win is to not lose."
- Sun Tzu

It all commenced on 20th of July, when Amilendu Singh was proclaimed as St. Andrew's House Captain, S.M. Khubaib Noori as the Vice-Captain, and

Faraz Afzal as the 'C' Squad Leader at the Investiture Ceremony, 2024. We are forever grateful towards our House Moderator, Mr. Syed Umair Aftab, and our Assistant House Moderators, Mrs. M. Paul and Mrs. M. D'Cruze who recognised our zeal and ascendancy towards our House. The academic year 2024-2025 has been an eventful and rewarding one for Blue House, marked by significant achievements and a strong sense of teamwork. Blue House has demonstrated excellence across a variety of disciplines, showcasing not only competitive spirit but also dedication and perseverance. Below is a summary of our accomplishments during the year:

Achievements:

1. Aquatics: Our swimmers, Stavva Agarwal and Nilesh Singh of the Senior Category, and Aarav Varshney and Arnav Tiwari of the Junior Category demonstrated remarkable skill and endurance in the water. Their synchronised efforts in team events and individual brilliance in freestyle and backstroke races left everyone in complete awe. As a result, St. Andrew's House broke the record of 1:13.25 minutes and set a new record of 1:12.44 minutes, in the Inter-House Swimming Relay. Most of the credit goes to Stavva Agarwal, the person who not only won in various house aquatics competitions, but also represented the

state of UP and UK in the National Level Swimming Competition. All of this led to Blue House coming second in Aquatics.

2. Bulletin Board: Creativity and teamwork shone through in this competition. The meticulous efforts of our members, Akshat Arya, Vaibhav, Aviral Singh, S.M. Khubaib Noori, Amilendu Singh, Faraz Afzal, Aorgho Dutt, Reyan Khan, were evident in the vibrant and informative display, earning us valuable points for our House.

3. Basketball: The inter-house basketball tournament was fiercely contested, and Blue House stood out with exceptional team coordination, strategic gameplay, and sportsmanship. The seniors showed exceptional skill and teamwork, and with the help of these valuable players Adduaye Yadav, Sanskar Saxena, Unnayan Shukla, Reyan Khan, S.M.

Khubaib Noori, and Umar Shujat, St. Andrew's House stood second in the Senior Category. The juniors also showed their might throughout the court, which led to them bagging the first position in the Junior Category.

4. Speech Competition: Our talented speakers, Shayaan Zaman and Pranav Tripathi, delivered stellar performances that captivated the judges. Their outstanding performance, marked by confidence, eloquence, and intellectual depth, earned St. Andrew's House a well-deserved second position, showcasing the exceptional talent and dedication of our members. Just like the seniors, our juniors also delivered captivating speeches, which earned our House the first position

5. Chess: The chess team under the captaincy of Mohd. Ibrahim, along with his teammates, showcased





their sharp minds and tactical acumen, navigating intense matches to secure second position. This achievement highlights our students' ability to think critically and remain composed under pressure.

6. Table and Lawn Tennis: Agility, precision, and resilience were the hallmarks of our table tennis players. Their consistent performance in singles and doubles matches earned us the runner-up spot in this competition. The lawn tennis team displayed consistent effort and determination, battling through tough matches. Their sportsmanship was commendable throughout the tournament.

8. Cricket: The cricket team's cohesive gameplay, tactical bowling, and impressive batting line-up led us to secure second place in this highly competitive event. Our most prestigious players, Vasu, Shaddroop Tripathi, and Divyansh Tripathi, along with their teammates exemplified teamwork and resilience on the field, this was only possible because of our rigorous practice sessions. The juniors also did their best and earned third place.

9. Patriotic Singing: Blue House delivered a breathtaking performance in the patriotic singing competition, earning first position. Our choir's harmonious voices and heartfelt renditions stirred the emotions of the audience and judges alike, making this one of the year's most celebrated victories.

After all this, it was time for our college's most prestigious event, the 40th Post-Centenary Ruby Jubilee Annual Athletic Meet. Where we were in the presence of brilliant athletes like S.M. Khubaib Noori, Adduaye Yadav, Reyan Khan, Amilendu Singh, in the 'O' Division dominating the track and field events. In the 'A' Division, Pranjal Singh, carried the house in most of the events. In the 'B' Division Mohd. Abbas, Ariz, and Rishabh were reigning in the track events. We stood at the third place for the Cock House Shield in the Annual Athletic Meet.

Tug-O-War: Our team which consisted of 8 valiant players, S.M. Khubaib Noori, Arindam Rai, Ansh Singh, Ahmad Abbas, Krishna Yadav, Aviral Singh, Nilesh Singh, and Angad Chawla, entered the arena with unwavering focus and fought valiantly against formidable opponents. Though we lost our first match against St. Francis' House, we emerged victorious in our second and third matches, against St.

George's House and St. Patrick's House respectively. Each member demonstrated grit, resilience, and an unbreakable bond of teamwork, pulling together in perfect harmony.

The final match was fanatical, as it was against the team who previously defeated us - St. Francis' House. The battle was fierce, and our team gave it their all. The first round was won by St. Francis' House, we emerged victorious in the second round, making the match even more intense. But agonisingly, after a remarkable pull by St. Francis' House, St. Andrew's House became runners-up of the entire competition.

A special thanks to our Blue House Officials for the Academic Year, 2024-2025:

Captain :	Amilendu Singh
Vice-Captain :	S.M. Khubaib Noori
C-Squad Leader :	Faraz Afzal

Due to their hard work, determination, and dedication throughout the year in managing every event and guiding the students towards success. Their relentless efforts were pivotal in securing these achievements.

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the efforts and hard work put in by our Junior House Coordinators Mrs. Brenda Neogy and Ms. Anjeeta Singh, who have been pillars of guidance and inspiration. We could not have procured the aforementioned accolades without the superintendence of our House Moderator, Mr. Syed Umair Aftab and the patronage and support of our Assistant House Moderators, Mrs. Michelle Paul and Mrs. Manjula D'Cruze who worked along with us, encouraged and incentivised us in putting our best foot forward in all the events. I would also like to extend my gratitude to Shayaan Zaman, Organising Secretary of the Literary Association for his assistance in preparing this report.

I wish the upcoming office bearers of St. Andrew's House all the very best for their future endeavours and to abide by the motto –

"SEMPER SURSUM, ALWAYS AIM HIGH!"

- S.M. Khubaib Noori
Blue House Vice-Captain