

# **SUNSHINE**

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The year 2024 was a memorable one for Sunshine in sports. The dedication and diligence of the Sunshiners and the respective sports coaches paid rich dividends. We won the highest number of trophies in our forty-year-long school history in various sports.

The year commenced with Sunshine Basketball Team winning its first intra-school basketball tournament in February 2024. The name of the event was "Lion Mukhlesur Rahman Inter-School Basketball Tournament" and the leading



international schools of Chattogram, such as CIDER International, Presidency International School, Chittagong Grammar School, etc participated in the event. The competition was fierce, with each team displaying commendable skills and determination. Sunshine Grammar School emerged victorious by defeating CIDER international school in the final, based on the outstanding performance of our boys. Sunshiner Trevon Valentine's impressive performance earned him the "Most Valuable Player" award. The junior boys and girls basketball squads also participated in the Frobel Inter-School Basketball Tournament. Even though the teams did not win

the tournament, both the teams received the "Fair Play Award" on this basis of their exemplary attitude and fair play during their respective matches.

In April 2024, Sunshine Grammar School continued solidifying its reputation as a school cricket powerhouse by winning the Chattogram Round of the BCB Young Tigers National School Cricket Tournament. In the final match, the Sunshiners defeated Nasirabad Boys School by a wide margin of 138 runs. Awsaf Khan, the team captain, played a superb captain's knock of 77 runs and earned the "Man of the Match" award. This is for the second time Sunshine Grammar School has become the Champion of this prestigious contest and thereby qualified for the Chattogram Divisional Round of the BCB Young Tigers National School Cricket.



Sunshine Education also hosted the 1st Sunshine Inter-School T20 Cricket Tournament in December 2024. It was a four-team knock-out tournament and the Sunshine Cricket Team emerged as the Champions by defeating CKSP by 51 runs. After coin toss, Sunshine chose to bat first and scored 159 runs against a loss of 4 tickets. In reply, CKSP batsmen were all out in 19.3 overs with a score of 108 runs.

The Sunshine Football Team was also in excellent form last year under the management of Sunshine alumnae and team manager Khondakar Araf Rahman. They won the Celestine FC 25 Football Tournament and were the defending champions in the 3rd Sunshine Inter-School Tournament in November and December, respectively. Sunshine fielded multiple teams in both contests. Consequently, exceptional performance allowed Sunshine teams to become the finalists in both tournaments.

In the final of the Celestine FC Football Tournmant, Sunshine Lions defeated Sunshine Stallions by 2-0. Before that, Sunshine Lions and Sunshine Stallions defeated William Carey Academy and Cantonment English School & College in the semi-finals.

The 3rd Sunshine Inter-School Tournament had two age group segments: Under 14 and Under 19. Sunshine Kinghts and Sunshine Lions emerged in both of the Under 14 and Under 19 age categories, respectively. It was a highly competitive event, with participation from Chittagong Grammar School, William Carey Academy, Frobel Academy, Presidency International School, European Grammar School, International Hope School Bangladesh, and Pinnacle Chartered School in both age categories.

In December, Sunshiner Affan Hamza Mahmood, showed an outstanding display of his badminton skills at the Bangladesh Open Under 19 Badminton Championship 2024. He reached the quarter-finals and thus qualified for playing in the Bangladesh Under 19 Badmination Team. Hazma achieved the feat at the age of 13.9 years and is the

youngest player to represent Bangladesh at international tournaments in the Under 19 age category. He is currently ranked # 10 in Bangladesh Under-19 Badminton rankings and has already represented the national badminton team in the Yonex-Bangladesh Junior International Series 2024.



#### Chittagong Sunshine School & College (NC)

National Championship On

**Climate Action 2024** 

Organised by GEIST International Foundation

GEIST International Foundation is a global community dedicated to ensuring excellence in learning, teaching, and leading in transforming ideas. GEIST's innovative solutions promote the success of each child and build a sustainable future.

We are excited to announce that students of our school (CSSC) have performed exceptionally well in the recently concluded Chattogram Divisional round of the National Championship on Climate Action 2024 organised by GEIST International Foundation.







The performance of the Sunshiners in the competitive event is as follows

- ART Contest
  Samawat Hussain (Class I) First position
  Tasmia Ashraf (Class II) Second Position
- Project Contest
  Nehan Hoque (Class VI) Third position

Wall Magazine Contest
Nusrat Mubin Oishi (Class IX) - First Position

Olympiad Contest
Nusrat Mubin Oishi (Class IX) - Third Position

These students will participate in the Final Round to be held on March 7, 2025.



















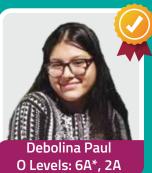








Muntasir Pasha A Levels: 2A\*3A





Rushil Rahman Xian A Levels: 3A



Mustafa Nur Tawsif O Levels: 7A\*



Mehrab Ahmed A Levels:1A\*,1A,1B



Eric Jilani O Levels: 4A\*, 2A

# Seminary on Tuition-Free Higher Education in Germany

Mr Imran Khan, Business Development Manager of Eurasia Institute (Germany), conducted a workshop on free education at German public universities and the importance of learning the German language in getting jobs in Germany at Sunshine Grammar School. Mr. Asaduzzaman Rony, Country Head of Edvoy, UK in Bangladesh, accompanied him. During this workshop, Mr. Imran delivered valuable insights on the German higher education sector and the promising job market for highly skilled individuals. He stressed the importance of acquiring German language proficiency to study tuition-free at German public universities and to get an edge in the job market there.

Eurasia Institute is the oldest academic and career pathway provider in Germany. For over 30 years, it has successfully placed foreign students in German public universities for Bachelor's, Master's, and PhD courses.









Kindergarten & Junior Section Graduation Ceremony





Moajjem Hossain Chowdhury

### Full Scholarship – PhD in Industrial Engineering at the University of Louisville (2024 CWR World Rank # 489), USA

Moajjem Hossain Chowdhury is a dedicated researcher and doctoral student in Industrial Engineering at the University of Louisville, where he began his PhD journey in Fall 2024. Moajjem, received a prestigious graduate fellowship and the focus of his research is on Human Factors Engineering. He is particularly interested in utilising Al and physiological data to enhance the interactions between humans and systems, aiming to improve overall quality of life. He holds a Master's degree in Electrical & Electronics Engineering from Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia and a Bachelor's in Electrical and Electronics Engineering from North South University, Bangladesh.

### Full Scholarship – PhD in Electrical & Computer Engineering at Drexel University (US News National # 86), USA

Priontu Chowdhury is currently pursuing a fully-funded Ph.D. in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Drexel University (US News National # 86) under the supervision of Dr. David Han. He completed his B.Sc. in Electrical and Computer Engineering with a 80% Merit Scholarship and excellent CGPA from Constructor University, Bremen, Germany. During that time, Priontu have also worked as a Software Engineer for the Motorsport department at Bosch Engineering GmbH (Bosch Motorsport) and at the Process Data Systems Engineering department of ZEISS Semiconductor Manufacturing Technology (ZEISS SMT) in the area of Data Quality Management. He completed his thesis in collaboration with Bosch Motorsport, where the research involved the use of network simulation. As a part of the research, Priontu studied algorithms that could maximize data throughput on the Bosch Telemetry System when implemented during a race. His research interests involve signal processing and applied deep learning.



Priontu Chowdhury



Shushmi Chowdhury

### Full Scholarship – PhD in Physics (Quantum Computing) at the University of Strathclyde (US News World # 432), Scotland

Shushmi Chowdhury has been an academically exceptional student since childhood and a class topper at Sunshine Grammar School. Subsequently, she achieved all A\*/A in her O & A Levels and studied BSc Physics at the prestigious Russell Group institution – the University of Glasgow (US News World # 61). She achieved a Distinction (First Class) in her bachelor's and also attained a Full Scholarship for a PhD in Quantum Technologies in the Department of Physics at the University of Strathclyde, Scotland. Previously, Shusmi was also selected to be a participant at the REYES Nuclear Physics Mentorship 2021 at Old Dominion University (USA) and the Chalmers Astrophysics & Space Summer (CASSUM) Research Fellowship (Sweden).

#### Full-Ride Scholarship athe University of Rochester (US News World # 199), USA.

Kazi Sumaita Nahar was one of the few Bangladeshis selected from thousands of applicants for the Fulbright Foreign Student Program (FFSP) in 2024. The FFSP is a US government cultural exchange program that aims to foster cultural exchange and academic excellence.

As an FFSP scholar, she is pursuing a Master's degree in Microbiology and Immunology at the prestigious University of Rochester (US News Best Global Universities # 199). Before that, Sumaita worked in ICCDRB in various research based roles concerning the most critical health-related issues being faced by the world today. She has 7 publications and 39 citations in numerous reputed international journals. Sumaita also completed her Bachelor's of Science in Biological Sciences at Asian University of Women with a full-ride scholarship as a recipient of the Unilever Scholarship.



Kazi Sumaita Nahar



Sabbir Hossain

## Full Scholarship – Master's in Aeronautical Engineering at Oklahoma State University (US News National # 196), USA

Sabbir Hossain completed his Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical – Aeronautics) with Honours from Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (US News World # 344). He received the Dean's Award as one of the best performers in his academic cohort. During his undergraduate studies, Sabbir completed a number of challenging projects, such as a Floating Waste Collector, Aircraft Design: Designing and Modelling of a UAV, etc. He has also co-authored two publications in the Springer's book series "Springer as Lecture Notes in Networks and Systems (LNNS)". Based on his excellent academics, Sabbir received a Full Scholarship for the Master of Science in Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering at Oklahoma State University (US News National # 196).