
United We Stand: Celebrating Rashtriya Ekta Divas

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In accordance to the circular issued by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) (Circular No.: **Acad - 80/2020**, dated October 26th, 2020), S.B. Patil Public School celebrated *Rashtriya Ekta Divas* on the 31st of October 2020 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the first Union Home Minister of the Central Cabinet of Independent India.

Those present for the occasion included the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; school coordinator, Ms. Padmavati Banda; Pre-primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; the Office Superintendent, Mr. Nilesh, NABET Coordinator, Mrs. Sakina Bootwala; and select faculty members.

As directed by CBSE, we had invited our some COVID-19 warriors, Dr. Sujata Kothale, mother of Viaan Kothale of II-G, and Mr. Rajendra Kurane, father of Shravani Kurane of II-F; who are members of our very own parent fraternity for the ceremony as a mark as a recognition of their noble service in fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.



The celebration commenced with the offering of floral tributes to this great leader by Dr. Saini, Dr. Kothale and Mr. Kurane. Other faculty present also paid homage.

The CBSE directed schools to conduct an oath-taking ceremony at their campuses which was duly abided by. All class teachers from grades I to X conducted the reading of the *Integrity Pledge* (as enclosed in the Annexure) during the morning class assembly with all students

swearing the oath as well.

As the celebration headed to conclusion, Dr. Saini briefly spoke about the important and praise-worthy work doctors, police as well as teachers have been doing amidst the pandemic. Dr. Kothale raised the issue of the severity of COVID-19, and how it has helped unite people and brought families closer together. Mr. Kurane also narrated the work being done by the police force in order to keep the pandemic rise under control.



In closing, the school coordinator, Ms. Banda delivered the Vote of Thanks, and the principal offered the two chief guests a token of the school's appreciation.