
Deux en Un: Celebrating Founder's Day and Hindi Divas

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On the 14th of September, 2020, S.B. Patil Public School celebrated its Founder's Day, also known as Shankarrao Bajirao Patil Punyatithi.

Present for the occasion were the school's principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; the coordinator, Ms. Padmavati Banda; NABET coordinator, Ms. Sakina Bootwala; sub-coordinators, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni, Ms. Archana Prabhune, Ms. Vandana Sangle and Ms. Nirupama Kale; and a few faculty members were physically present for the occasion. The programme was conducted and broadcast online via the school's official Facebook account as well on Google Meet.

It commenced with all faculty present paying homage to our revered founder which was followed by a devotional song presented by the school's music teachers, Ms. Sulochana Pawar, Mr. Prathamesh Inamdar and Mr. Kuldeep Ghadge. Joining them were faculty members, Ms. Vrudhhi Phadke, Ms. Sheetal Chandgude, Ms. Swati Newale, Ms. Labeshree Kawoor and Ms. Durga Bhawani Erekar.

The CCA in-charge, Ms. Swaleha Mujawar compered the programme in its entirety whilst also delivering a speech and also recited a self-penned Marathi poem which lauded the Late Shri Shankarrao Bajirao Patil's life and work.

Dr. Saini paid respect and homage to the founder via a Hindi poem she herself scripted. It highlighted the inspiration derived from him; and a promise of how we all, at S.B. Patil Public School, always endeavor to uphold the values, vision and mission of the Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust and our school in light of the noble thoughts and great foresight of our revered founder.

With the first event coming to a close, next in queue was the celebration of Hindi Divas, which is also celebrated on the 14th of September every year. Students of grades V to VII presented the Preamble, Pledge, and gave a speech stressing on the importance of the occasion. A few stories told, and *dohas* (duplets) and poems narrated, the students, presented it all online via Google Meet.

We sincerely extend our thanks to the Hindi Language faculty, Ms. Rachana Sisodiya, Ms. Saroj Parashar, Ms. Rajlakshmi Gupta, Ms. Deepika Kannao, Ms. Kamlesh Singh, Ms. Vrudhhi Phadke, Ms. Sheetal Chandgude, and Ms. Swati Newale for their presence, as well as their mentoring, guidance and support from which thousands of students have benefitted.

Though the audience was primarily virtual, the event was immensely appreciated by everyone. The success of the day was owing to the mentorship of our principal Dr. Saini; the school coordinator, Ms. Padmavati Banda; along with other coordinators, sub co-ordinators. The creative initiative and tireless efforts of our faculty members of the school's Hindi Language as well as the Music Department were also immeasurably valuable.