
With Pride, Unity, and Purpose: Celebrating Republic Day 2026

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S.B. Patil Public School commemorated the 77th Republic Day themed around “Nation First” and “150 Years of Vande Mataram” with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour through a thoughtfully planned two-day programme that brought together students, teachers, parents, and the wider school community in a shared celebration of constitutional values and civic responsibility.

The celebrations commenced on 24th January, 2026, with engaging, age-appropriate activities for the pre-primary and primary sections. The campus came alive in the colours of the tricolour, with classrooms and corridors transformed through creative displays. Young learners participated enthusiastically in art and craft activities such as paper tearing, crumpling, sponge dabbing, printing, and badge-making, visually expressing the Indian flag and national symbols. These activities were complemented by joyful group interactions, including a march parade and collective singing sessions, gently introducing children to the ideals of unity, freedom, and patriotism in an enjoyable yet meaningful manner.



The main Republic Day ceremony was held on the morning of 26th January, 2026, in the presence of the school leadership, faculty members, EPTA representatives, and students. The event witnessed the participation of 720 students from grades IV, VIII, and IX, adding scale and energy to the celebrations. The programme began with the ceremonial unfurling of the national flag by the chief guest, Mr. Raju Kadappa Hirve; principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; headmaster, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; administrative manager, Mr. Manish Dhekale; and all the section coordinators, followed by the National Anthem and Rajya Geet.

Mr. Hirve, a renowned social worker and mobile repair entrepreneur from Pune, is the Founder President of Zhunja Divyang Sanstha Ashram Training Center, an organisation dedicated to empowering differently-abled individuals. His presence and address inspired the audience, reflecting his lifelong commitment to social service and inclusive development.



A disciplined and synchronised march-past set a dignified tone for the ceremony, followed by a series of thoughtful speeches in English, Hindi, and Marathi, highlighting the significance of the Indian Constitution and the enduring values of democracy, equality, unity in diversity, and responsibility. The thematic focus of the programme drew attention to 150 years of “Vande Mataram,” Atmanirbhar Bharat, and Digital India, connecting historical legacy with contemporary national aspirations.

The cultural segment added colour and dynamism to the event, featuring a Marathi mono act on Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, Hindi and Marathi speeches, a Hindi skit on "Samvidhan ka Janam," as well as impressive demonstrations of dumbbells, yoga, pyramid formations, and pistol and rifle shooting. These performances showcased not only talent and discipline but also the spirit of teamwork and national pride. The programme concluded with a vibrant patriotic dance performance, drawing warm appreciation from the audience.



The official proceedings also included a teachers' award ceremony, recognising dedicated service and commitment, along with staff pledges on Tobacco-Free India and literacy, reinforcing the school's role in promoting social awareness beyond the classroom.

The celebration concluded with a vote of thanks, acknowledging the collective efforts of students, teachers, and staff who worked in unison to make the event a success. More than a ceremonial observance, Republic Day 2026 at S.B. Patil Public School stood as a reaffirmation of the school's commitment to nurturing informed, socially responsible, and patriotic citizens — making the occasion both meaningful and memorable for the entire school community.



Meanwhile, the Republic Day celebration for Nursery to Senior KG students was conducted on 27th January, 2026 with great enthusiasm and patriotic spirit in the school, also themed around "Nation First" and "150 Years of Vande Mataram." Keeping the age group in mind, the activities were thoughtfully designed to introduce young learners to national values through movement, music, art, and simple expression.

The programme began with a disciplined and energetic march past, where children proudly participated, reflecting unity, coordination, and a sense of belonging. This was followed by a graceful dance performance to patriotic songs, creating an atmosphere filled with love and respect for the nation. Students also sang We Shall Overcome, helping them experience the spirit of togetherness and hope in a simple, meaningful way.



Teachers presented an engaging drama titled Say No to Mobile, conveying the importance of reducing screen time and developing healthy habits. The message was linked to the Constitution Rules Book, helping children understand that rules — including the responsible use of mobile phones — are made for safety, discipline, and the well-being of everyone. This explanation supported early awareness of responsible behaviour in the context of Digital India, reinforcing that technology should be used wisely and with purpose.

Creative activities formed an important part of the celebration. Senior KG students drew national symbols, demonstrating awareness, creativity, and growing confidence. Junior KG students participated in palm print and finger dabbing activities on national symbols and also spoke a few simple lines about them, expressing their understanding in an age-appropriate manner. Nursery students joyfully engaged in finger dabbing activities on the national flag, allowing them to connect with national colours and symbols through sensory play.

Through these hands-on and expressive activities, children were gently introduced to the idea of Atmanirbharta — thinking independently, creating on their own, and expressing ideas with confidence. The celebration helped Nursery to Senior KG students learn about the nation in a joyful, engaging, and meaningful way, making Republic Day a memorable learning experience for all.

