

NATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL, KENGERI, BENGALURU REPORT ON WORLD SANSKRIT DAY

सुखार्थिनः कुतो विद्या नास्ति विद्यार्थिनः सुखम्। सुखार्थी वा त्यजेद्विद्यां विद्यार्थी वा त्यजेत्सुखम्॥

(There is no knowledge for the seekers of comfort, and no comfort for the seekers of knowledge. A seeker of comfort should give up knowledge, and a seeker of knowledge should give up comfort.)

Sanskrit is an ancient and classical language of India in which Rigveda was compiled. Sanskrit holds importance as it serves as the foundation, for classical texts in disciplines such, as Literature, Philosophy, Mathematics and Science. Over the years, the use of Sanskrit has declined but, in some regions, it continues to reign as the primary language.

World Sanskrit Day, also known as Vishva-Samskrita-Dinam, is an annual event focused around the ancient Indian language Sanskrit that incorporates lectures about the language and is aimed to promote its revival and maintenance. The day is supposed to be a tribute to the work of the renowned Sanskrit scholar Panini a and his legacy.

The students of National Public School, Kengeri, Bengaluru observed World Sanskrit Day on 2nd September, to raise awareness about the language used by scholars and saints in ancient India and promote Sanskrit, one of India's oldest languages.

The programme began with lighting the lamp by the school principal, Ms. Geeta Dikshit, Vice Principal, Ms. Suman Singh and Coordinator Ms. Malini K S., followed by a graceful invocation dance, 'Durga Stuti' performed by the students of Grades 8 and 9. The other programmes included, sharing the information on the Significance of Sanskrit language by Ayush of Grade 9 C; melodious Sanskrit song rendition by students of Grades 7 and 8; introduction to Vedic literature by Aditya Sundar Kakarparthi of Grade 9 D; 'Veda Ghosha'- mantra chanting of 'Tait Reeya Upanishad' by the students Srivatsa, Samarth and Anagha of Grade 7 B and chanting of 'Shiva Tandava' Stotra written by Ravana by Sri Skanda Sharma of Grade 9 B accompanied by dance related to it by Vedika Shree of Grade 8 C.

The Principal Ms Geeta Dikshit, addressed the students and reiterated the need to protect and respect Sanskrit language to posterity. The programme ended with chanting of 'Shanti Mantra' and Vote of Thanks.

The chanting of shlokas and singing songs in Sanskrit language filled the whole auditorium with positive vibes. It was an out-of-the-world experience and a day to cherish for everyone in the auditorium.

लोकाः समस्ताः सुखिनो भवन्तु।

(Let the Whole world be Happy)

