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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As a free son of our mother nation, I am honoured to reflect on India's Independence Day, a day that holds immense significance and pride for every Indian. On this historic occasion, we commemorate the birth of a free nation, a nation that rose above adversity and united to secure its rightful place in the annals of history.

India's Independence Day, celebrated on the 15th of August each year, marks the end of a long and arduous struggle against colonial rule. It symbolizes the indomitable spirit and sacrifices of countless heroes who fought bravely for the country's liberation from British rule.

On this auspicious day let us remember the tireless efforts of Mahatma Gandhi, whose philosophy of non-violence and civil disobedience served as a beacon of hope for millions. His words, "Be the change you wish to see in the world," continue to inspire our young minds to be compassionate, empathetic, and responsible citizens.

This momentous occasion is not just a historical event but also a reminder of the unity in diversity that defines our great nation. India, with its myriad cultures, languages, and traditions, stands as a testament to the power of inclusivity. As a school, we embrace this diversity and nurture an environment that promotes mutual respect and understanding among our students.

On this day, we honour the countless freedom fighters who laid down their lives for the cause of independence. Their sacrifices serve as a reminder of the importance of cherishing and safeguarding the freedom we enjoy today. It is our collective responsibility to preserve the hard-fought independence by upholding the values of justice, equality, and democracy.

As the principal, I take immense pride in witnessing our students' passion for the nation and their eagerness to contribute positively to society. We, as educators, strive to instil a sense of patriotism, empathy, and social responsibility in our students, nurturing them to be the leaders of tomorrow.

Independence Day is also a time for us to reflect on our progress as a nation and to ponder the challenges that lie ahead. We must address issues such as poverty, education disparities, environmental concerns, and social inequality to ensure that our beloved nation continues to progress and prosper.

As we raise our tricolour high and sing the national anthem with pride, let us remember the sacrifices of our forefathers and the responsibility we carry to shape India's future. Together, let us vow to create a more inclusive, compassionate, and progressive society where every individual can thrive and fulfil their dreams.

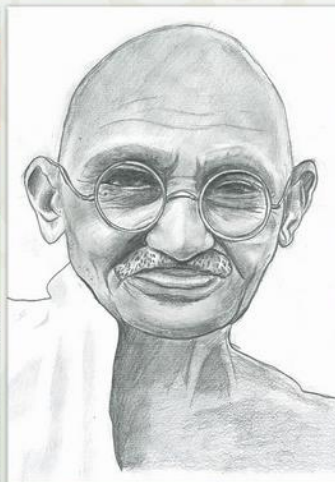
On this auspicious day, I extend my heartfelt wishes to all students, parents, and staff of Little Flower School and to every Indian across the globe. May this Independence Day strengthen our unity, instil a sense of national pride, and ignite the flame of determination to build a better India for generations to come.

Jai Hind!

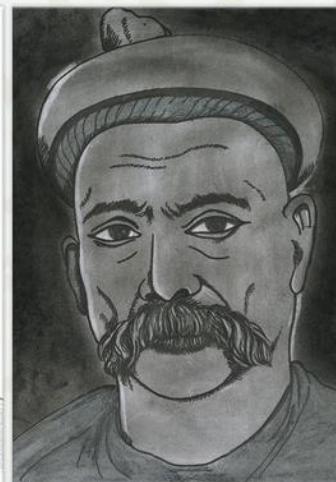
Fr Benoy Mathew CST, Principal



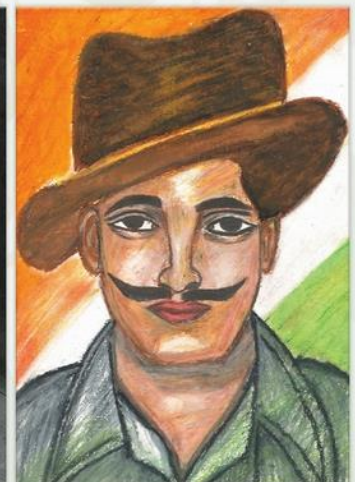
Ayush Chandra Gupta - IX B



Nilesh Kumar Chaudhary - VIII F



Ananya Pandey - IX C



Shanaya Srivastava - VII D

"I will pass
So will you
But on our bones will arise
The great tale of a New India."

This is the clarion call of the Kannada poet Kumepu, for making total sacrifice for the motherland and the upliftment of fellow citizens. Independence Day reminds every Indian about the dawn of a new beginning, the beginning of an era of deliverance from the clutches of the British colonialism for more than 200 years.

Independence Day not only holds national importance but also India's freedom struggle, courage and valour shown by our resilient patriots and freedom fighters who inspired people across the globe back then and still resonates in people's heart. The message of non-violence, particularly, is something that is still remembered by the people worldwide. Who could ever forget the spirited march of freedom led by our great leaders like Mahatma Gandhi, Rani Lakshmi Bai, Bhagat Singh, Subhash Chandra Bose and others? It is the day we commemorate and pay homage to the courageous sacrifices of all our freedom fighters who fought hard with a worthy patriotic spirit to get their home free from British oppression.

Despite so many years of Independence, being the independent citizens we still have many issues to attend to. Illiteracy, poverty, inequality, alcoholism, drug abuse, women's safety, pollution, violence (Manipur remains in the grip of it) are a few to name. It is the duty and obligation of each and every Indian to free India from these social evils that we may be able to enjoy the freedom of mind. "Freedom of mind is the real freedom. A person whose mind is not free, though he may not be in chain, is a slave, not a free man." - B.R Ambedkar

Shaiju George, Chief Editor

अपने जीवन के संघर्षों से,
पार तुझे पाना होगा।
देश पुकार रहा तुझको,
अब युद्धभूमि आना होगा।।

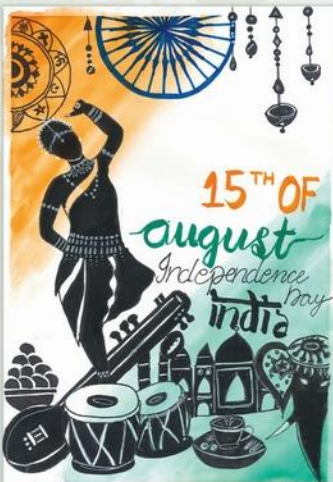
आरंभ प्रचंड करना होगा,
शत्रु को खंड करना होगा।
महासमर में रक्त भक्त हो,
यशस्वी भुजदंड करना होगा।।

कुछ पाने में कुछ खोना होगा,
तज सेज तुझे अब रोना होगा।
अमृत रस का पान किया जो,
विस्मृत कर गरल पीना होगा।।

तूने जो कहा करना होगा,
बेमन लोगों को सुनना होगा।
जो चाह तुझे सुख वैभव की,
सब छोड़ तुझे सहना होगा।।

अब तक जो हुआ होता था,
नव लीक तुझे रखना होगा।
अपने भुजबल से तुझको अब,
इतिहास नया लिखना होगा।।

*Amar Kirti Pandey
Assistant Teacher*



Anshika Singh - VII A



Adya Srivastava - IV A



Shantanu Yadav - VIII C



Siddhant Singh - VIII E



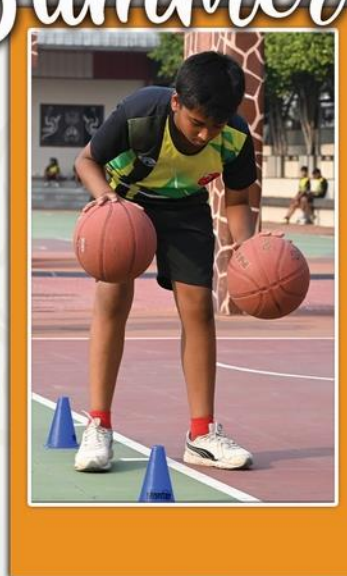
Today is the first day of the rest of the year ahead.



**THE BEST TIMES ARE THE
SUMMER CAMP TIMES.**



Glimpses of Summer Camp



The word 'freedom' stays very popular in today's generation. Youth often ask for freedom in their lives, but there had been a time when India was struggling for it. We all know the value of freedom but the question is – when India witnessed and realised its importance?

After a lot of struggle and sacrifices, India was blessed with the word 'freedom' or 'independence' on 15th August 1947. This blessing came as a result of the hardships suffered by our freedom fighters.

Today as we celebrate the 77th independence day, first of all I wish a very happy independence day to all the readers in the present jovial atmosphere that has crowded all over India. Each Indian is filled with immense pride when our honourable Prime Minister hoists the National Flag at the Red Fort in Delhi. It's the tie to value our freedom which we received almost after two centuries from the British rule. It is a day to commemorate the sacrifices endured by freedom fighters and political visionaries.

India, a country blessed with rich physical features and cultural heritage is one of the leading nations in the world. We are very fortunate to have taken birth in a country like this, wherein people of different religions live together and get united to celebrate this day. Since independence India had been very progressive. The very progress made by it is in the formation of a democratic and parliamentary form of government. Green revolution, polio eradication, space and technology, right to education, powerful defence, gender justice, nuclear program, operation flood or white revolution, advancement in life expectancy, ISRO formation and satellite launch and many more are the advancements and achievements of India since independence.

There is no doubt that in the coming years our motherland India will be one of the super powers in the world. In conclusion, I would like to ask all the readers to take up a vow on this glorious day to add laurels to the country's achievements. We should make 'Freedom' the soul of our country and be united because that's our main strength. Jai Hind.

Rajnandini Singh – XI A

Aditi Pandey – XI B

1. भारत 15 अगस्त को आजाद जरूर हो गया, लेकिन उसका अपना कोई राष्ट्रगान नहीं था। हालांकि रवींद्रनाथ टैगोर जन-गण-मन 1911 में ही लिख चुके थे, लेकिन यह हमारा राष्ट्रगान 1950 में बना।
2. हर स्वतंत्रता दिवस पर प्रधानमंत्री लाल किले से झंडा फहराते हैं, लेकिन 1947 में प्रधानमंत्री नेहरू जी ने 16 अगस्त को लाल किले से झंडा फहराया था।
3. आजादी के बाद पुर्तगाल ने अपने संविधान में संशोधन करके गोवा को अपना हिस्सा घोषित कर दिया था। फिर 19 दिसंबर 1961 को भारतीय फौज ने गोवा पर कब्जा करके उसे भारत का हिस्सा बनाया।
4. 15 अगस्त 1947 को 1 रुपया 1 डॉलर के बराबर था और सोने का भाव 88 रुपए 62 पैसे प्रति 10 ग्राम था।
5. 15 अगस्त के दिन ही वीर चक्र को मान्यता दी गई थी।
6. 15 अगस्त 1972 को भारत में डाक पिन की शुरुआत की गई थी। यह 6 अंको का नंबर होता है।
7. 15 अगस्त 1982 को प्रधानमंत्री श्रीमती इंदिरा गांधी के भाषण के साथ भारत में टीवी पर रंगीन प्रसारण की शुरुआत हुई।
8. 15 अगस्त भारत के अलावा तीन अन्य देशों का भी स्वतंत्रता दिवस है। दक्षिण कोरिया जापान से 15 अगस्त, 1945 को, ब्रिटेन से बहरीन 15 अगस्त, 1971 को और फ्रांस से कांगो 15 अगस्त, 1960 को आजाद हुआ।
9. भारत और पाकिस्तान के बीच की सीमा रेखा 15 अगस्त तक नहीं थी। यह 17 अगस्त को रेडक्लिफ लाइन के रूप में खींची गई।
10. 15 अगस्त 1947 को भारत की पहली कैबिनेट ने शपथ ली थी। इस कैबिनेट में 13 मंत्री थे।

Are We Really Independent Even After Independence?

"Everyone wishes to make India grow but no one dares to take the first right step towards it."

Independence Day is the occasion to celebrate the freedom of our country. Every year, history reminds us of our great warriors who sacrificed their lives to see us living, but are we really alive? Are we bothered about their sacrifices? Everyone talks about the past glory of India but forgets the present.

Do we ever think that most of the problems we face today are created by us in various ways? These man made problems can come to an end when people stop living a foul life and stop the unhealthy competitions that are taking place in all parts of India. Let us all together manifest to live a peaceful life, taught by our warriors and make their sacrifices worthy.

P. Laxmi Srivastava – XI A

भारत हम सबकी जान

हिमालय जिसकी रक्षा करता,
हिंद महासागर पॉव पखारता।
जो है इस जग में सबसे महान,
वह भारत है हम सबकी जान।।

सत्य धर्म की रक्षा की खातिर,
जहाँ हुआ महाभारत युद्ध महान।
ज्ञान, कर्म और योग की शिक्षा,
कृष्ण ने दिया जहाँ गीता ज्ञान।।

जन्मे जहाँ मर्यादा पुरुषोत्तम,
धीरोदात्त वह जननायक राम।
महावीर, बुद्ध और नानक ने,
जग में फैलाया देश का नाम।।

Sanskriti Tripathi – XI A

Freedom – I Cherish the Most

*Some things can't just be expressed in words
My eyes are a little wet seeing the free flying birds
These are tears of happiness seeing the
birds flying high up in the sky
Thanks to the fearless leaders, who faced it all
making tough time pass by.
There may be many things, can't be lived without
But freedom is what I cherish the most without any doubt.*

*Love can speak volumes even when words become less
Love from freedom of some has left us blessed
Blessed with this freedom, these moments we share
Let's learn to care for the people around us,
Care for our nation in every possible way
Come let us together wish our beautiful India
A very happy Independence Day.*

Ananya Pandey – IX C

भारत वह देश है

भारत वह पावन देश है,
यहाँ वीरों ने जन्म लिया।
राम, कृष्ण, बुद्ध, नानक ने,
इस मिट्टी को नमन किया।।

राणा ने दुर्गम वन में भी,
यहाँ रहना स्वीकार किया।
आजादी खातिर लक्ष्मी ने,
स्वयं को बलिदान किया।।

पाई, बटन और चीनी का,
यहाँ ही अविष्कार हुआ।
अपने ज्ञान से भारत का,
विश्वगुरु रूप स्वीकार हुआ।।

Nityansh Shukla – VI F



Hazel Basant - II E

We The People

"We the people of India, having solemnly resolved to constitute India a SOVEREIGN, SOCIALIST, SECULAR, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC and to secure all its citizens; JUSTICE, LIBERTY, EQUALITY and FRATERNITY." As noticed in the past centuries, India's robustness and solidity was the unity among the people, its traditions and brotherhood. But what about now? Why have we divided India into so many religions and cultures? India was nothing but a golden bird for all the people and the world out there. That is what made India peculiar and idiosyncratic among all other nations. As said by Major D.P Singh, a Kargil war veteran, "When I was injured during the war, I was in an urgent need of blood. I didn't know and I don't care whether the blood transfused to me was of a Hindu or a Muslim or whether a Sikh or a Christian, the only thing I do care is that in my body, the blood of a true Indian runs." So what are the barriers among the people for? Why are we losing India's allure and charm? Let's pledge to preserve, protect, nurture and support India's refinement. Let's raise the Tiranga higher, higher and higher.

Amayra Singh – XI B

My India Better Than Heaven

*Better than heaven or arcadia
I love thee, O my India!
And thy love I shall give
To every brother nation that lives.*

*God made the earth
Man made confining countries
And the fancy frozen boundaries
But with unfound boundless love
I behold my India
Expanding into the world.*

*Hail, mother of religions, lotus,
science, beauty and sages!
Thy wide doors are open
Welcoming God's true sons of all ages
Where Ganges, woods, Himalayan caves
and men dream God.*

Maahi Srivastava – XI C

भारत महान

धन्य हुए हम, इस देश में,
जो पाया अपना जन्मस्थान।
महापुरुषों की पावन भूमि,
जिससे भारत हुआ महान।।

यह शिव और राम की भूमि,
जिनसे हमको सम्मान मिला।
श्रीकृष्ण की यह वह भूमि,
जिनसे गीता का ज्ञान मिला।।

दुर्गा और काली ने स्वरूप से,
अन्याय का प्रतिकार किया।
महिषासुर हो या हो निसुम्भ,
उन सबका संहार किया।।

रोक लो बैरी! अपने कदमों को,
नहीं चलेगा अब राज तुम्हारा।
मिट जाएं इस धरती पर फिर भी,
शेष रहेगा यह नाज हमारा।।

Siddhi Anand Bharti – XI A

मेरा अभिमान

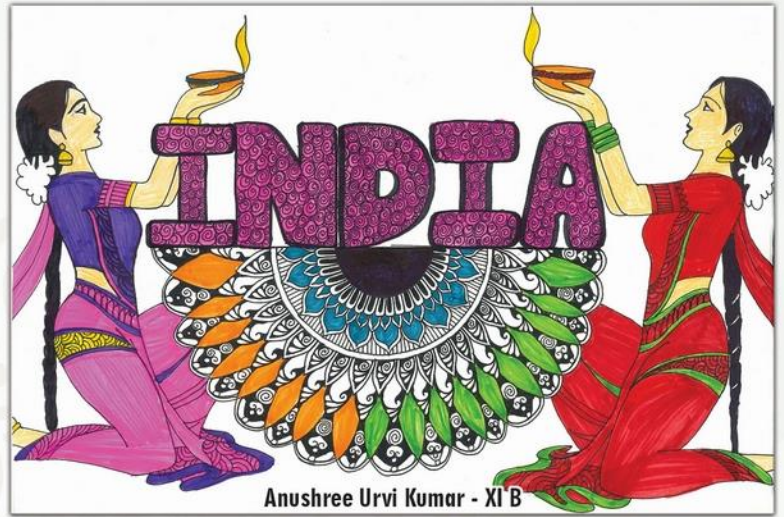
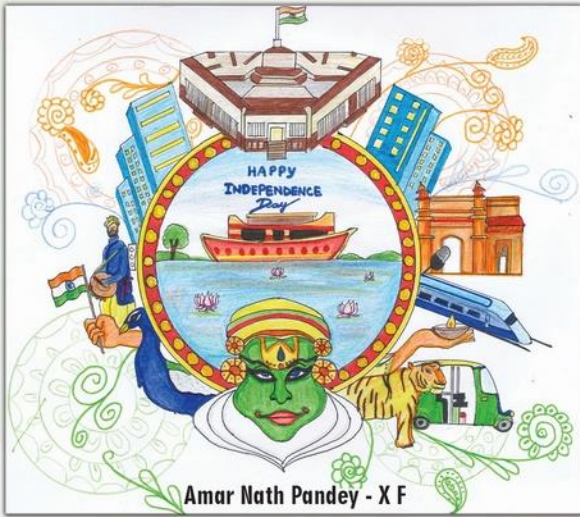
राष्ट्र हित की बात करें,
जो सेवा दिन रात करें।
राष्ट्र हित में जो प्राण दें,
वही मेरा अभिमान है।।

देश हित ही हो प्रथम,
देश हित में हो करम।
देश हित में बलिदान हो,
वही मेरा अभिमान है।।

ऊँचा भाल देश का करें,
राष्ट्रहित में जो जिएं मरे।
जिसमें गर्व स्वाभिमान है,
वही मेरा अभिमान है।।

राष्ट्र प्रगति पथ चले,
विश्व गुरु फिर बने।
जिसके हाथ कमान है,
वही मेरा अभिमान है।।

Abhyuday Pandey – VII E



सम्मान करो आजादी का

जब बस क्रांति नहीं थी,
बल्कि स्वराज की मांग थी।
आजादी का स्वप्न लिए,
तब वीरों की कतार जुटी।।

तब ही काकोरी के गांव में,
आजादी की यह हुंकार उठी।
बिस्मिल संग अशफाक चले,
अंग्रेजी शासन चीत्कार उठी।।

चार बन्दूकें और सिर परकफन,
जुबां पर इंकलाब का नारा था।
जान हथेली पर रखकर वीरों ने,
कई आततायियों को मारा था।।

सरफरोशी की तमन्ना गाकर,
आजादी की बिगुल बजा गए।
मोहे रंग दे बसंती कहते कहते,
न जाने कितने बलिदान हुए।।

पुण्य भूमि के अमर सपूतों से,
यह भारत उपकृत महान हुआ।
सम्मान करो इस आजादी का,
ऐसे नहीं भारत आजाद हुआ।।

Aditya Dakshi Chaurasia - X A

भारत जैसा देश कहाँ?

हम सब मिलकर करें गुणगान,
हमारा यह भारत देश महान।
मिलते हैं जग के सब धर्म जहाँ,
ऐसा देश विश्व में होगा कहाँ?

गंगा, यमुना और कावेरी,
कृष्णा, नर्मदा और गोदावरी।
भारत की ये पुण्य सलिला,
जो है सदानीरा स्रोत वारि।।

बापू भगत, बोस, आजाद यहाँ,
जग में ऐसे अमर सपूत कहाँ?
लक्ष्मी, अहिल्या, सीता, सावित्री,
वन्दनीय-पूजनीय नारियाँ यहाँ।।

सुकर्म करें सब मिलकर ऐसे,
न हो जग में इसका अपमान।
हम सब मिलकर करें गुणगान,
हमारा यह भारत देश महान।।

Aahan Srivastava - X B

मेरा भारत

जिसका जग में हुआ सम्मान।
वह मेरा भारत कितना महान।।

विश्व गुरु बन भारत ने,
अपना परचम लहराया है।
कर गर्जना सिंह सा इसने,
सारे विश्व को झुकाया है।।

नालंदा को है जिसने जलाया,
वह भी समय से बच ना पाया।
फिर भी भारत वही खड़ा है,
यह सारे जग में सबसे बड़ा है।।

शिक्षा में देखो आगे आया,
आतंक का किया सफाया।
स्वच्छ भारत अभियान चलाकर,
देश का जग में मान बढ़ाया।।

Sweta Singh - X A