

# Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti

## Celebrations at APSJC

Army Public School Jammu Cantt celebrated Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti on September 30, 2024, with great enthusiasm and reverence in a special assembly by the students of Shaurya House. The event highlighted the integration of the visions of our exemplary leaders with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), with a particular focus on SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation), as their vision for education and cleanliness aligned closely with these goals.

The program began with a heartfelt presentation by Abhinandan Sandotra of Class 11, who emphasized the importance of quality education and Gandhiji's and Shastriji's belief in character-building through education. His speech effectively tied Gandhi's teachings to the global agenda of ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education.

Following this, the primary children captivated the audience with a soulful group song dedicated to peace and non-violence, echoing Gandhiji's message of harmony. Their performance was followed by teacher's talk given by Ms Ritika Dubey who emphasized the importance of imbibing values given by our great leaders into our daily lives to build a better future and achieve the UN SDGs. Next in line was a vibrant group dance that celebrated Indian culture and unity.

The Scouts and Guides performed a thought-provoking skit on Swachhata (cleanliness), underscoring Gandhi's belief in sanitation and its relevance in today's Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. This was complemented by a skit on Gandhiji and Shastriji performed by Class 10 students, which portrayed significant moments from their lives and highlighted their philosophy of truth, non-violence, austerity, simplicity, and moral strength. Ayushi of class 11 mesmerized all with her poetic prowess advocating Gandhian values.

The Principal, Ms Puneet Kaur in her address urged students to embrace the values advocated by our visionaries in their daily lives. She also spoke about the importance of good education in shaping a better future, aligning with the school's commitment to the SDGs.

The event concluded with the National Anthem, followed by a salutation to the great leaders' legacies, leaving everyone inspired by their timeless teachings.

The celebration was a perfect blend of cultural performances and important messages, leaving the students with a deeper understanding of our leaders' values and their relevance in today's world.





