



*“At the stroke of the midnight hour, when the world sleeps,
India will awake to life and freedom...”*

- Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru

True stories of valour are not forgotten. They stay enshrined in our hearts and in the pages of history. As we see our children growing freely in an independent country, enjoying freedom every day, every moment, we should not forget the arduous struggle of our independence.

Suncity School, sec- 45, celebrated India's 75th year of Independence with great zeal and patriotic fervor on Monday, 15th August 2022 on the school campus. We celebrated the bravery of our freedom fighters and their gift of freedom to us. Long may our Tiranga fly high!



This special day was graced with the presence of our honourable Chief Guest, Major General (Dr.) Sagatika Patyal SM, VSM.

The show commenced with a lively rendition of melodious patriotic songs sung by the school choir to warmly welcome our guests.



The school Head Girl, Saisha Pande addressed and warmly welcomed the Chief Guest and the parents. The Chief Guest was **felicitated with environment-friendly bamboo shoots** as a token of gratitude from the Suncity family.



Our worthy Chief Guest, Maj. Gen. (Dr.) S. Patyal along with the respected head of the school, Ms. Nandita Mathur, commenced the celebrations by hoisting the National Flag. This was followed by a beautiful rendition of the National Anthem on the keyboard by Inaaya Pachori, a Kindergarten student.



Thereafter, a grand parade by the young members of the Suncity Family, dressed in vibrant attires, depicting the different states of India was witnessed. The grand parade '*Unity in Diversity*' showcased *the rich cultural heritage of our country, India.*



The parade was followed by a *musical rendition, 'Sur Sang Kadambaal'* by the school choir. They sang patriotic songs that aroused patriotic feelings in every heart. The school choir sang songs which were *a splendid fusion of western and Hindustani music.* The whole atmosphere was enveloped in feelings of patriotism for our country.





‘Abhyudaya’- The **Calisthenics Drill**, presented by the PYP students was another amazing performance that left the audience awe-struck. The children showcased a mass demonstration of flexibility, strength, and self-defense and through Yoga asanas, exercise, and a set of Taekwondo drills.



The show culminated with a **dance drama** - ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav’. It deserved nothing less than a standing ovation...and that is what they got! A thunderous round of applause along with a standing ovation followed the wonderful performance.





The Chief Guest, Maj. Gen. (Dr.) Sagarika Patyal began her address by appreciating the performance of the children and congratulated the staff for a 'well planned and well executed' event. She further shared anecdotes and encouraged everyone to honour the sacrifices of our martyrs, a gesture that was truly thought-provoking. The programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by the Head Boy.



'Kite flying', a decades old tradition and an expression of freedom signifying resistance to colonial rule was enjoyed by all our guests and the parents of our dear students.





The personal interaction with the respected chief guest and few young, enthusiastic girl students at the end of the show was truly a great learning experience.



It was truly a momentous day that left everyone with moist eyes and evoked the spirit of nationalism in every heart. It touched the hearts of students and parents alike and inspired feelings of loyalty and devotion towards one's motherland.

Jai Hind!