On 26th Jan, this year, our mecca of education, OPJMS wore a festive look, donning the tri-colours all around. The Republic Day was celebrated with zeal, gusto and unrelenting enthusiasm. This historic day, i.e. 26th Jan 1950 of independent India adopted its own constitution, combining with it, the sanctity of upholding and abiding by our own constitution. We need no reminder that the Human rights which the entire world debates on, these days, are enshrined and enmeshed in our constitution itself.

The celebrations and rituals in OPJMS began with the ‘Pinning of the Tricolours’ to our Chief Guest, Dr. Adarsh Sharma. The rush of adrenaline gave way to undeterred patriotism. The rain gods took a break that day, smiling though, for the show to continue unabated.

The television screens carried live images being streamed from Raj Path, New Delhi, where the immaculately turned out, bravest of the braves, our worthy soldiers, marched step-in-step, in complete unison and rail, in multiple contingents.

At OPJMS, as the Chief Guest Dr. Adarsh Sharma, a very renowned medical professional arrived, he was felicitated by the students, with a bouquet of fresh flowers. He was then escorted for unfurling of the National Flag, our tricolor, which showered rose petals on our worthy guest, as the audience rose to the inspiring tune of our National Anthem.
The stage was set, for our very own students’ contingents, to march in harmony, smartly saluting our Nation’s pride—‘Saffron, White and Green’. The Chief Guest then inspected the guard of honour. Thereafter, it was time for the cultural show. Our young boys and girls were yearning to perform, to give in their best. Their attire, all very colorful; their mood—certainly upbeat; spirits—sky high, spring under their feet; the music began as our senior students put up a dance-cum-drama on ‘Anti-Alcoholism’.

Also, apart from this, there were two children who delivered speeches evoking a sense of duty and pride among all present. Then, our school choir, of the junior as well as senior group, instilled melody in the ambience with their mellifluous songs. It was finally time for the worthy chief guest to come up and deliver a key note speech on the momentous occasion. His speech lifted the spirits of the audience and at the end of the day, left them proud.