Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, a name synonymous to courage, unyielding spirit and unequivocal conviction, breathed new lease of life in India when it was dying a slow death to identity crisis, lack of sovereignty and autonomy. An ardent patriot and veteran leader, Sardar Patel donned the mantle of uniting 562 princely states after the Britishers had left for their homeland.

Channeling India's unity was one of the multi-faceted leadership of Sardar Patel whose crucial role in building Post-Independent India was driven by his worthy pursuit of practising ‘Swaraj’ meaning good governance as India’s first Deputy Prime Minister.

Since the memory of a man who personified the spirit of Indian union must be inspiring as himself for all future generations, Mr. Narendra Modi, in this regard declared his birthday i.e. 31st Oct, as ‘Rashtriya Ekta Diwas' for India. The youthful energy of schools across the nation was tapped by our worthy PM to evoke the spirit of unity and national integration among all as he believes that the young children are the building blocks of tomorrow.

In the commemoration of the Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai, a legendary freedom fighter, OPJMS celebrated 31st October 2014 as the ‘Unity Day'. The pristine environs of the campus throbbed with a flurry of activities depicting his spirit, lofty thoughts, values and ideals that revolutionized Post-Independent India.

The programme began with an oath administered by the school Head Boy, Pranshu Nagpal, to the assembly of around 200 students in conjunction with the NCC Cadets. With the nationalistic fervour rushing through their veins and their minds teeming with the principles that Sardar Patel embodied, they all vowed to set example of discipline, unity, sincerity and zeal for others for the evolution of new and transformed India.

The oath-taking ceremony was followed by an address by the Principal, Mr. Julian Egbert, who reminded students of their national duty to safeguard the prestige and honour of their nation and forge a bond of love and mutual respect with others regardless of diversity in their ethnicity, culture, status, race and caste.

The programme concluded with the National Anthem presented melodiously by the school choir. Each student in the school, on this day, reposed his staunch belief in the words of Publilius Syrus who stated and affirmed, 'Where there is unity there’s victory.'