

# D.A.V. PUBLIC SCHOOL, NEW PANVEL

September  
2018

1<sup>st</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> September  
Swachhata Pakhwada Activities by CBSE for Std. V

The Swachhata Pakhwada an initiative by the CBSE was conducted in the school by the students of Std V under the guidance of respective class teachers. The details of the activities are as follows:

- 01.09.2018 Swachhata Pledge
- 04.09.2018 Cleanliness of classroom
- 05.09.2018 Best out of waste
- 06.09.2018 Drawing and colouring (Topic: My clean Panvel)
- 07.09.2018 Demonstration of proper way to wash hands
- 10.09.2018 Slogan Writing (Topic: Conservation of water / Health and hygiene)
- 11.09.2018 Posted a video and write-up related to environment and shared with parents through Snaphomework – a mobile app.
- 12.09.2018 Speech on 'Water borne diseases'



## Colour Day Activities

24<sup>th</sup> September  
Nursery – Yellow colour

25<sup>th</sup> September  
Jr. K.G – Pink colour

26<sup>th</sup> September  
Sr. K.G – Peach colour



22<sup>nd</sup> September  
Open House for  
Std. VI, VII, IX, X and XII



## Onam Festival



Atharva Lakhane  
Std. XI

Onam is an important festival of the people of Kerala. It usually comes in the month of August or September. Men, women and children of Kerala eagerly look forward to this festival. It is celebrated for four days all over Kerala with great pomp and gusto. It is an occasion for utmost gaiety, festivity and revelry. With the advent of Onam, the

atmosphere in Kerala is surcharged with dance, drama, song, music, games and sports of all kinds. It is a festival of joy for the people of Kerala.

The Onam festival continues for 10 days namely Atham, Chithira, Chothi, Vishakam, Anizham, Thriketta, Moolam, Pooradam, Uthharadom, Thiruvonam-the last day known as Onam. During these days, young maidens of Kerala take a bath, put on beautiful clothes and go out to pluck flowers. With these flowers, they prepare Pookkalam(Rangoli) for the reception of the King. The statues of King Mahabali and Lord Vishnu are set up. Lamps are lighted, incense is burnt and prayer and worship are offered. On the last day of Onam, Pooklalam is immersed in the water of a river or sea.

Onam is the greatest festival of joy and gaiety in Kerala. On this occasion, Kathakali, Mohiniattam and Thiruvathir and other famous dances are arranged. Young maidens of Kerala are draped in white saris. They decorate their black and beautiful hair with garlands of flowers. They sing sweet songs, make sweet music and perform beautiful dances. Gods are taken in procession on tastefully decorated elephants. The procession is accompanied by the beating of drums, sounding of trumpets and performances of dance and music. Altogether known as Panchavadhyam or Naadhaswaram. It is really a fascinating spectacle.

Boat races are another attractive feature of the festival. It is a very thrilling and exciting water-sport. The boats which participate in the race are beautifully decorated. From a distance, they look like the bed of Lord Vishnu with the hood of the serpent Sheshnag on one end, its tail on the other. Boats are adorned with flags, buntings, flowers, leaves and blossoms. The boatmen sitting in them row them ahead with great agility and eagerness. Boating competitions are a very thrilling aspect of the festival. Children shoot arrows with the bows. It is a rare delight for them.

Onam comes once a year, but it brings a bundle of joys for the people of Kerala.

I end this with a stanza from a popular onam song

Maveli nadu vaneedum kalam  
Manusharellarum onnupole  
Amodhathode vasikkum kalam

Apathangarkku mottillathanum  
Kallavum Illa Chathiyumilla  
Ellolamilla Polivachanam  
Kallapparayum Cherunazhiyum  
Kallatharangal Mattonnumilla  
Adhikal Vyadhikalonnumilla  
Balamaranangal Kelppanilla

### MEANING

When Maveli, our King, ruled the land,  
All the people were equal.  
And people were joyful and merry;  
They were all free from harm.  
There was neither anxiety nor sickness,  
Deaths of children were unheard of,  
There were no lies,  
There was neither theft nor deceit,  
And no one was false in speech either.  
Measures and weights were right;  
No one cheated or wronged his neighbour.  
When Maveli, our King, ruled the land,  
All the people formed one casteless races

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### THE CONSERVATIONIST



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Conservation of natural resources is not a new concept to discuss or to ponder over. Though it is one of the most crucial and precious components for everyone but not yet made realised and awakened through the medium of rallies, speeches, campaigns or workshops. chanting slogans, decorating surroundings, publishing inspiring articles in

periodicals and many more techniques are only a form of creativity to gain mental and individual satisfaction. Perhaps these activities have become merely a matter of formality or pretention and publicity stunts.

It is a fact that countries utilising the resources voraciously have ignored the reality of pure survival. However those who were not using it are also following the path of luxurious and lavish lifestyle. Advancement in comfort has devastated the beauty of environment as well as the existence of all the living creatures.

Moreover the hike in prices of fuels cannot be controlled because of our complete failure in controlling the consumption of energy. Various means of communication have attempted to bring drastic conversion in mindset but they have been unsuccessful in achieving the desired motto.

Awareness of positive action for gearing up the spirit of deeds of welfare to accomplish heavenly pleasure omnipresent round the globe without marring the physical and geographical phenomenon is the urgent need of the present era.

We need to focus and concentrate on this necessity to bring revolution in our attitude and conscientiousness to make definite and absolute fruitful scenario of contentment and healthy paradise.

Being a conservationist we must adopt effective methods to minimise the usage of natural resources. We ought to discover new eco-friendly sources of power for the execution of our daily and routine tasks and duties which can benefit people of all the levels and classes. We need to be more cautious, thoughtful, sensitive and economical in all sorts of spheres where energy is wasted.

Application of solar energy, tree plantation, natural manure, use of cycle, practising on foot strategy to cover short distances and minimum use of fossil fuels can be the remedial measures to save and maintain ecological balance.

Indeed the novel value of 'conservation' needs to be inculcated among the pupils in the schools to understand the significance of natural resources to make a prosperous and mighty nation.

So my dear friends,

Pledge to be a conservationist  
To protect mother earth  
The real hero and activist  
of dedication, devotion and mirth.  
Upholding undying spirit of achievement of  
Glory to delight gracious minds  
For soothing the agonies of victims  
By compelling nature to blow breeze and winds.  
It'd be an astonishing, fabulous and mesmerising view  
So behold the attention to see the miracle  
and novelty generated by thou.