

WANVERSE

“WHERE EVERY STORY FINDS ITS VERSE.”

REPUBLIC DAY: OUR REPUBLIC, OUR PRIDE



विविधता में एकता: भारत की पहचान

संविधान ने हमें अधिकार, कर्तव्य और समानता का मार्गदर्शन किया है।
आओ, मिलकर एक सशक्त, समावेशी और उज्ज्वल भारत का निर्माण
करें,

जहाँ हर नागरिक की आवाज़ को सम्मान मिले,
और तिरंगे के सपने सच्चाई में बदलें।

-Siya Kalirawana XI



Republic Day is celebrated annually on January 26 and marks the historic day in 1950 when the Constitution of India came into force, declaring the nation a sovereign, democratic republic. It honours India's transition from a British colony to a self-governing republic and is celebrated with great pride through flag hoisting, parades, and vibrant cultural showcases. It is a moment of reflection, national pride, and a renewed commitment to the country's progress.

The 2026 Republic Day celebrations were centred on the theme “150 Years of Vande Mataram,” reminding citizens of the deep-rooted spirit of patriotism that continues to inspire the nation. At our school, the celebration was marked with equal enthusiasm and dignity. The programme was graced by our chief guest, Col. Pankaj Tiwari, whose presence added honour to the occasion. A disciplined and impressive school march past showcased unity and teamwork, followed by energetic dance performances and soulful patriotic songs that filled the atmosphere with pride and devotion for the nation.

During his address, Mr. Tiwari motivated the students by saying that “we are the future generation,” encouraging everyone to take responsibility in shaping a stronger and better India. The celebration was further enriched by an impactful speech delivered by our Hindi teacher, Ms. Reena, whose words inspired a deeper sense of duty and respect for the values enshrined in the Constitution. As India moves toward its vision of becoming a developed nation by 2047, Republic Day stands as a powerful reminder to uphold the principles of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity that bind this diverse nation together.

-Jaasvi VII

GIVE ME ALL I SEE MYSELF

Give me the ocean,
Not as a borrowed metaphor, but as a bathymetry of being. It is a measured depth that refuses measurement, a terrain of silence where magnitude is felt but never fully charted.

Give me the submerged geometry of thought,
the quiet scaffolding beneath perception where assumptions gather, erode, and rearrange with the inevitability of currents. These currents do not seek direction, yet they carve it unmistakably.

Give me the intervals between convictions,
those overlooked thresholds where meaning accumulates in fragile, unguarded layers. Understanding lives there, not as certainty, but as a tension between what we grasp and what and what continues to elude us.

Give me the dissolution of illusion,
the subtle refracting of truth when examined from a slightly altered perspective. Consciousness is not a mirror; it is a prism. Every insight bends the moment it encounters awareness.

Give me the interior bathymetry of the self,
the terrain beneath language, before memory intervenes. Before identity is filtered through recollection and shaped into coherence, the self in that pre-verbal depth is not singular or fixed; it is fluid, porous, and continuously forming.

Give me the contradictions.
They are not obstacles; they are clear evidence of existence. To inhabit reality is to hold opposing truths without demanding that they collapse into one.

Give me the persistent awareness beneath emotion and impulse,
the witness that does not cling. This witness simply observes the rise and erosion of each temporary version of self.

Give me what remains after metaphor dissolves and certainty withdraws— the unadorned fact of being in a universe that explains nothing yet invites endless inquiry.

Give me that, the quiet paradox in which the self understands itself not as an answer but as an ever-deepening bathymetry.

~A poem by Pratha Gangwar

भारत का संविधान

मैं भारत का संविधान हूँ, लाल किले से बोल रहा हूँ।
मैं शक्ति का अमर गर्व हूँ, आज़ादी का विजय पर्व हूँ।
पहले राष्ट्रपति का गुण हूँ, बाबा भीमराव का मन हूँ।
मैं बलिदानों का चंदन हूँ, कर्तव्यों का अभिनंदन हूँ।
लोकतंत्र का उद्बोधन हूँ, अधिकारों का संबोधन हूँ।

भारत का संविधान भारत का सर्वोच्च विधान है, जिसे संविधान सभा द्वारा 26 नवम्बर 1949 को पारित किया गया। इसका मूल आधार भारत सरकार अधिनियम, 1935 माना जाता है। लगभग 2 वर्ष 11 महीने और 18 दिन की मेहनत के बाद 26 जनवरी 1950 को संविधान लागू हुआ और भारत एक पूर्ण गणतंत्र घोषित हुआ। इस दिन हम उन सभी वीर नायकों को श्रद्धांजलि अर्पित करते हैं जिन्होंने देश की आज़ादी के लिए अपने प्राण न्यौछावर कर दिए।

है नमन उनको कि जिनके सामने

बौना हिमालय हो गया,

जो धरा पर गिर पड़े

पर आसमानी हो गए।

26 जनवरी 1950 को देश के प्रथम राष्ट्रपति डॉ. राजेन्द्र प्रसाद ने 21 तोपों की सलामी के साथ ध्वजारोहण कर भारत को गणतंत्र घोषित किया। हमारा संविधान हिंदी और अंग्रेज़ी—दो भाषाओं में प्रेम बिहारी नारायण रायज़ादा द्वारा हस्तलिखित किया गया। प्रारंभ में इसमें 396 अनुच्छेद, 22 भाग और 8 अनुसूचियाँ थीं। डॉ. भीमराव अंबेडकर के नेतृत्व में 284 सदस्यों की टीम ने इसे तैयार किया, जिसमें 15 महिलाएँ भी शामिल थीं।

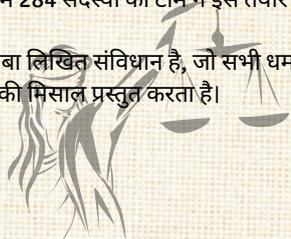
भारत का संविधान विश्व का सबसे लंबा लिखित संविधान है, जो सभी धर्मों, जातियों और संस्कृतियों को जोड़ता है और “अनेकता में एकता” की मिसाल प्रस्तुत करता है।

सबके अधिकारों का रक्षक,

अपना यह गणतंत्र पर्व है।

लोकतंत्र ही मंत्र हमारा,

हम सबको इस पर गर्व है।



— कनिष्का ताहिलियानी
कक्षा: IX-B

DAWN OF PRIMROSES

Morning dew crowns primrose heads,
Soft gold against the waking earth.
Petals unfold, shy and bold,
A quiet fire in spring's first breath.
Shadows dance on mossy stones,
Winds whisper through tender stems.
Each blossom holds a silent promise,
Time's gentle hands carve its hue.
Rain taps a rhythm on leaf and soil,
Nectar glistens — a sweet invitation.
Bees hum a chorus of purpose;
Nature's pulse quickens in blooms.
When twilight drapes the meadows,
Primroses glow, cradling light.
Stars blink above, twinkling hope.
Tomorrow's light will wake them again.

~Lyla Kawosa VII

A DREAM THAT NEVER FADED IN ME

Ever since I was a kid, I have looked up to my grandfather. He was a flying officer. The discipline he still follows in his old age, except for smoking, and the uniform which lakhs of people dream of, have always inspired me. I am not so different. I dream of the same life. My brother, who is in the NDA, is my guiding path.

I just wish to absorb everything he knows about it. People often ask, “What is so special about the army? Business can earn more.” But to me, serving the country should be the proudest job, the greatest dream, and the most meaningful moment of life. It is when you feel scared to death yet proud at the same time, when all those memories flash before you and you realize the responsibility you carry.

You might think, “No!” Stereotypical minds are interfering. Believe me, I have lost count of how many times I have heard those ideas, but I do not want to waste my words on them. Sometimes I go into deep thought. Is this really what I want?

But then something strikes me. It is a photograph, like a real one in my mind, of me on a dream day, standing alone on a balcony, wearing a rented uniform and saluting an aircraft at a little distance away. I see how much respect the aircraft receives, and I think about how the person flying it must be admired.

Then comes the movie Gunjan Saxena. God, I have watched it almost a hundred times, and I have never got bored. Maybe those stereotypical thoughts change when a flying woman officer stands alone and shines. I wish for the same.

~Prachi IX

NEWS HEADLINES

INDIA NEWS

Bharat Bandh Protests: A nationwide strike led by trade unions is happening across several states, including Karnataka, Kerala, and Andhra Pradesh. In Bengaluru, workers protesting near Town Hall were taken into custody.

HUL Earnings: Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL) reported a 121% surge in its Q3 Profit After Tax (PAT) to ₹6,603 crore, aided by a one-off positive impact.

Legal Rulings: The Supreme Court refused to entertain a plea against retrospective environmental clearances and rapped filmmaker Neeraj Pandey for the title of the film Ghoskhor Pandat, stating it denigrated a section of society.

Zydus Patent Settlement: Zydus will pay \$120 million to settle Mirabegron patent litigation with Astellas.

Republic Day Preparations Underway: Preparations for the 77th Republic Day parade are in full swing; EU leaders have been invited as chief guests for the celebrations on January 26.



Union Budget 2026-27 was presented today by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, focusing on infrastructure expansion, economic growth, and reforms.

SPORTS NEWS



BCB chief Aminul Islam will meet with the BCCI in Colombo during the India-Pak T20 World Cup to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding, formalizing assurances.



Real Madrid were knocked out of the Copa del Rey after a shocking 3-2 loss to second-division side Albacete in the Round of 16



Lionel Messi is injured and doubtful for Inter Miami's opener, delaying their preseason finale until after the MLS opener.



India vs. Namibia Preview: An illness-stricken India faces Namibia in Delhi, with Jasprit Bumrah aiming to regain form before the Pakistan match.



Sports Ministry approves Neeraj Chopra's extended training in South Africa

Neeraj Chopra Training Extension: The Sports Ministry's Mission Olympic Cell (MOC) has approved an extension for javelin star Neeraj Chopra's training in South Africa until April 2026.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Trump-Netanyahu Meeting: Israeli PM Netanyahu met with U.S. President Trump at the White House to discuss Iran's nuclear program and the situation in Gaza. Trump emphasized the need for continued nuclear talks with Iran, despite no agreement being reached.

President Trump praised the India-U.S. trade deal as "historic," with India reducing tariffs and planning to buy \$500 billion in U.S. energy and tech products over five years.

WhatsApp Blockage: Meta has reported that Russia tried to implement a complete ban on WhatsApp within its borders to encourage the use of a state-supported rival application known as "MAX."

Iran Protest Toll: Activists report that at least 7,002 people have been killed in the crackdown on nationwide protests in Iran following last month's unrest.

The image reflects ongoing global discussions on reducing dependence on oil and shifting toward environmentally sustainable energy sources. It alludes to climate change concerns and the increasing pressure on world leaders to adopt greener policies despite economic and political challenges.



ACHIEVEMENTS

Asmita Khelo India Women's Athletics League 2025-2026



Our Falcon, **Stanzin Dolkar** (Grade IX), secured 3rd place at the Asmita Khelo India Women's Athletics League 2025-26 in Dehradun. We are incredibly proud of her determination and excellence.

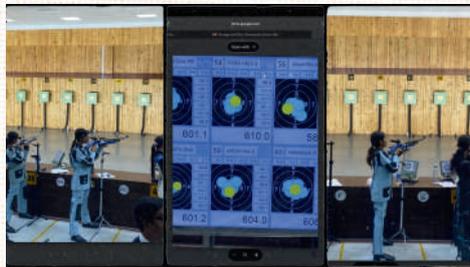


Participants

Arshiya (X), Gargi (XI), Geetanjali (IX), Aahana (IX), Arnavi (IX), Meenakshi (VII), Vidushi (VIII), Sachleen (VIII), Divyanshi (X), Manya (IX), Stanzin (IX), Gehna (IX), Zareen (VI), Aarohi (V)

68th National Shooting Championship

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A Remarkable Summerfest took part in the 68th National Shooting Championship, held in Bhopal and Delhi. The following participants qualified for the Nationals: **Khushi, Mokshada, Kashvi, and Ipsa**. **Prachi** from Grade 12 also took part in the event. Furthermore, **Joshina Nameirakpam** (Grade IX) received recognition from the Manipur Marksman's Club, while **Archisha Dutta** and **Navya Mehrotra** (Grade X) advanced to the Indian Team Trials.

Qualifying for Level 2 of the National Finance Olympiad!



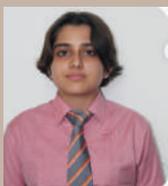
Minal Arora (XI)



Shalu Kumari (XII)



Vidhi Sharma (XII)



Gargi Arya (XI)



Gurleen Kaur (XI)



Aditi Mehrotra (XII)

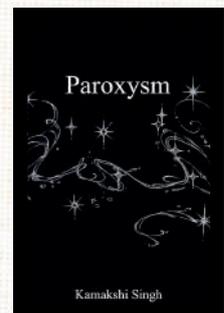
Uttarakhand Basketball States



Divyanshi Negi A Proud Moment for Vantage Hall! We are thrilled to announce that our Falcon, **Divyanshi Negi** (Grade XI), has been chosen to join the Uttarakhand State Under-18 Basketball Team!

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PAROXYSM



This poetry collection delves into deep themes like grief, existence, acceptance, and love. We're proud to say that a student from our school, **Kamakshi Singh** of grade 12, has written a book that explores these themes. The title "Paroxysm" perfectly encapsulates the intense and powerful wave of emotions that characterize this work.

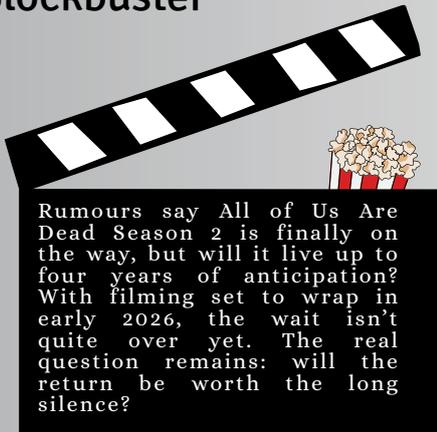
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YOUR MONTHLY

ENTERTAINMENT

MOVIE RECOMMENDATION

#Blockbuster



Rumours say All of Us Are Dead Season 2 is finally on the way, but will it live up to four years of anticipation? With filming set to wrap in early 2026, the wait isn't quite over yet. The real question remains: will the return be worth the long silence?

ALL OF US ARE DEAD 2

ZODIAC ZONE

- ♈ Aries – Slow planning now builds strength for the year ahead.
- ♉ Taurus – Steady choices lay a lasting foundation.
- ♊ Gemini – Focus turns fast ideas into impact.
- ♋ Cancer – Trust your intuition and protect your energy.
- ♌ Leo – Quiet consistency brings true recognition.
- ♍ Virgo – Progress matters more than perfection.
- ♎ Libra – Balance creativity with confident action.
- ♏ Scorpio – Patience fuels powerful transformation.
- ♐ Sagittarius – Discipline gives direction to optimism.
- ♑ Capricorn – Commitment pays off—pace yourself.
- ♒ Aquarius – Trust the process; your time is coming.
- ♓ Pisces – Stay grounded as dreams take shape.

#REPUBLIC DAY SPECIAL



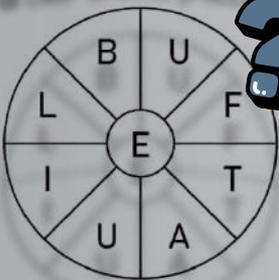
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#SOON TO BE RELEASED.



MINIONS 3

WORD WHEEL PUZZLE 6



How many words can you create using these letters, ensuring that each word includes the letter positioned in the center?

Which movie popularised the term "dream architecture" in modern cinema discussions?

QUIZ TIME!

Response to the Previous Quiz

Endgame was released in 2019.

Arijit Singh Announces Retirement from Playback Singing

Arijit Singh has made the official decision to retire from playback singing in films. Although he will be stepping back from movie projects, he plans to pursue independent music creation. His enchanting voice and timeless melodies have made a lasting impact on Indian music.



Arijit Singh

- VE KAMLEYA
- SATRANGA
- CHALEYA
- HEERIYE
- TUM KYA MILE
- DIL JHOOM



Michelle Obama:

There is no limit to what we, as women, can accomplish.

HealthyGIRL DINNER

- Yougurt Bowl*
- Avacado*
- Toast With Sunny Side Up*
- Chicken Salad*
- Chicago Bowl*
- Cottage Cheese Salad*



**A STUDY BY
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Exam Prep Checklist

"If panic could answer questions, it would have aced the class by now."

Start early

Your future self deserves calm, not chaos at midnight.

Substance over style

Pretty notes are nice. Useful ones win.

Speak your answers

Confusion in voice means confusion in mind. Fix it

Practice papers reveal reality

They prepare you, so exams don't surprise you.

Go for easy marks

Build confidence and score points.

Prioritize sleep

It's essential. Tired minds struggle.

Read questions carefully

Sometimes, they're tricky.



Message to Our Board Class:

Take a deep breath. The exam is not a surprise; it's a planned assessment. Read thoroughly, write with confidence, and keep in mind—panic has never led to success in a board exam. However, you certainly can! All the best!

WHATS TRENDING?!

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Social Media Use and Mental Health in Adolescents

One of the first studies in this area to use clinical-level diagnoses reveals a range of differences between young people with and without mental health conditions when it comes to social media, from changes in mood to time spent on sites. Young people with a diagnosable mental health condition report differences in their experiences of social media compared to those without a condition, including greater dissatisfaction with online friend counts and more time spent on social media sites. This is according to a new study led by the University of Cambridge, which suggests that adolescents with 'internalising' conditions such as anxiety and depression report feeling particularly affected by social media. Young people with these conditions are more likely to report comparing themselves to others on social media, feeling a lack of self-control over time spent on the platforms, as well as changes in mood due to the likes and comments received. Researchers found that adolescents with any mental health condition report spending more time on social media than those without a mental health condition, amounting to an average of roughly 50 minutes extra on a typical day. The study, led by Cambridge's Medical Research Council Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit, analysed data from a survey of 3,340 adolescents in the UK aged between 11 and 19 years old, conducted by NHS Digital in 2017.

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