



Honoring a Visionary: Commemorating Hansraj Jayanti at DAV Thane

Lala Hansraj, also known as Mahatma Hansraj, was a visionary educationist and social reformer born in 1864 in Bajwara, Punjab. Influenced by the ideologies of Swami Dayanand Saraswati, he founded the first Dayanand Anglo-Vedic Schools System (DAV) in Lahore in 1886, marking the inception of a transformative approach to education. His tireless efforts in promoting quality education coupled with his commitment to social service left an indelible mark on Indian society. The celebration of Hansraj Jayanti at DAV Public School, Thane serves as a poignant tribute to his enduring legacy and profound impact on the DAV community.

DAV Public School, Thane celebrated the auspicious occasion of Hansraj Jayanti with great enthusiasm and reverence. The event was a heartfelt tribute to the esteemed figure and an opportunity for students to reflect on his life, teachings, and contributions.

The assembly commenced with a solemn speech by Ajay Sir, representing the Primary Section, and Rosalina Miss from the Secondary Section. They eloquently articulated the significance of Hansraj Jayanti and emphasized his exemplary life, ideologies, and profound impact on the DAV community.

The students actively participated in various activities to honour Hansraj Ji. Poems dedicated to him were recited, resonating with his values and teachings. The school choir delivered soul-stirring melodies, evoking emotions and paying homage to his legacy. Students adorned the assembly with beautiful paintings, symbolizing his life journey and principles.

During a special period dedicated to Hansraj Jayanti, teachers across all classes engaged students in insightful discussions about Lala Hansraj and his profound teachings. Through captivating anecdotes and thought-provoking discussions, teachers illuminated the essence of Hansraj's ideals, encouraging students to reflect on their relevance in contemporary times. These sessions not only enrich students' understanding of Hansraj's legacy but also inspired them to embody his principles of integrity, compassion, and lifelong learning in their own lives. Class teachers played a vital role in elucidating Hansraj Ji's life sketch, his ideologies, and his significant contributions to DAV. Through anecdotes and insights, they enlightened the students about his enduring legacy and encouraged them to emulate his virtues.

A poignant moment ensued as students paid tribute to Hansraj Ji by offering flowers in his photograph, a gesture filled with respect and gratitude for his invaluable contributions. The entire school community united in honoring his memory and expressing their appreciation.

Engaging activities such as role-plays, story narrations, and Amrit Vani sessions enriched the understanding of Hansraj Ji's teachings and principles. Students actively participated, showcasing their understanding and appreciation of his profound wisdom. Additionally, students, dressed as tiny Hansrajs, engaged in a heartwarming role-play, showcasing snippets of his life and teachings, further immortalizing his spirit within the school's corridors.

The celebration of Hansraj Jayanti at DAV Thane was a poignant and memorable event, resonating with the spirit of reverence and admiration for the revered figure. Through heartfelt tributes, artistic expressions, and interactive sessions, the students reaffirmed their commitment to uphold his ideals and carry forward his legacy.

The event concluded on a note of inspiration, reminding everyone of the enduring impact of Hansraj Ji's teachings and the importance of embodying his values in everyday life.

