

M.K. DAV Public School, Daltonganj Pays Tribute to Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and Celebrates the Spirit of Dussehra

The Institution organised a special morning assembly to commemorate the 95th Birth Anniversary of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and celebrate the auspicious occasion of Dussehra . The programme brought together reverence for one of India's most admired visionaries and the timeless message of the Victory of Good over Evil.

The assembly commenced with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp followed by a floral tribute to the portrait of Dr. Kalam. The solemn opening paid homage to a remarkable personality whose life continues to inspire generations of young Indians. Anika of Class XII-D delivered a speech on his ideals and accomplishments. She spoke about his dedication to scientific advancement and his faith in the power of Education and youthful aspirations. His life stood as a testament to the belief that knowledge acquires its true worth when it serves the nation and its people.

The assembly then proceeded to the Dussehra celebration which carried the message of righteousness triumphing over evil. Babli Kumari of Class XII-AB recited a poem that conveyed the significance of the occasion. A Bengali song by Deepanjana Moitra of Class X-F added a musical touch to the programme while Ayushi Kumari of Class XII-AB *delivered a speech on the cultural and moral significance of the festival. The speech drew attention to women's empowerment and stressed the need to uphold their dignity while ensuring equal opportunities for their growth and participation in society.

Srishti of Class XII-AB anchored the programme with poise and clarity. The assembly offered students an opportunity to appreciate the ideals of a great National figure while understanding the perennial relevance of Dussehra's message in everyday conduct.

MRS. INDRANI CHATTERJEE, the Honourable Principal of the Institution, remarked that Dr. Kalam's life offered a valuable lesson in the dignity of hard work and the importance of learning with a clear vision for the future. She encouraged students to dream big, regardless of their background or present limitations. She urged them to view failure as an opportunity to learn and emerge stronger while preserving their natural curiosity and remaining eager to explore new ideas. She also advised the students to approach their aspirations with sincerity and recognise that knowledge must be accompanied by integrity. Referring to Dussehra, she observed that the festival's significance extended beyond its traditional celebration. It reminded everyone that goodness requires moral courage and that the right choices often demand inner strength. She expounded on the true essence of Dussehra as the victory over one's inner vices, such as procrastination, dishonesty, jealousy, arrogance and anger. She urged students to practise self-discipline and honesty so that they could overcome their personal shortcomings and make wiser choices in life. She expressed her appreciation for the students who contributed to the assembly and emphasised the value of such occasions in enriching their understanding of India's heritage and inspiring them to lead principled lives.









