

## REPORT-BASANT PANCHAMI SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

*'That is one good thing about this world... there are always sure to be more springs'. – L. M. Montgomery*

Basant Panchami is an occasion that marks the advent of the spring season and is also celebrated to worship Saraswati, the Goddess of knowledge and wisdom.

Junior school commemorated this special day with great fervour on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2022. A special assembly followed by some activities were organised on the virtual platform for the celebrations.

Keeping the tradition of inculcating values in today's times, the assembly began with a prayer thanking the almighty. The significance of Basant Panchami as a symbol of hope and its importance for farmers was discussed with the students. Its association with the yellow colour, the blooming of mustard flowers and the arrival of spring were also elaborated. Students were also made aware of various ways this festival is celebrated in different parts of India. A poem was recited by the students which captured the beauty of nature during the spring season.

Exciting yellow dishes like Peda, Shrikhand etc. were prepared by the students of classes III and V during cooking without fire activity. As an attempt to preserve the Indian culture, students of class IV made colourful kites to mark this special day.

