

## **REPORT ON INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION**

Delhi Public School Gurgaon, celebrated 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day with patriotic fervour and zest on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2019, in the school ground. The programme commenced with the Director Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra, reciting the poem *Where the mind is without fear* depicting the Nobel Laureate Rabindranath Tagore's vision of a new and awakened India. To commemorate the sovereignty of our nation and pay homage to the sacrifices of the freedom fighters, the Director Principal unfurled the Tricolour followed by the National Anthem.

She extended a warm welcome to the parents, teachers and students on the momentous occasions of Independence Day and Raksha Bandhan. Addressing the gathering, Ms. Aditi Misra emphasized that the duty of the people does not end by only paying reverence to the leaders for their noble deeds but to live up to their ideals and preserve the hard earned freedom by promoting peace, harmony and brotherhood. To make the day a memorable one, she suggested a novel way to extol the sanctity of Independence Day and Raksha Bandhan by urging everyone to tie rakhi to trees, thus ensuring a secure existence of people in a green and healthy environment. She also encouraged the students to actively participate in sustainable development projects and be the harbingers of change.

The students, in their speech, pledged to uphold the motto of the school *Service Before Self* by being ardently involved in various community service projects like teaching underprivileged children, creating awareness about saving water, upgrading environment by planting trees and strongly propagating the message of banning plastic.

The programme culminated with a medley of mellifluous patriotic songs performed by the junior and senior school choir to pay tribute to the motherland and uphold the values of our great leaders.

