## Report: Special Assembly (Autism Awareness Day)

A special assembly conducted on *3rd April 2024 (Wednesday)* marked a significant occasion: <u>Autism Awareness Day</u>. In collaboration with the House Assembly of Bharat House, the Department of Mental health and Well-being aimed to raise awareness, promote acceptance, and celebrate the unique abilities of individuals on the autism spectrum through this assembly.

The assembly commenced with a reflective opening thought by *Aradhya Jha (M2-E)*, emphasizing on the importance of understanding and embracing differences within our community. Students were encouraged to cultivate empathy and support for individuals with autism.

A self composed poem by *Aviana Chawla (M3-B)* followed by two soulful instrumental music performances by - *Aarohi Shreya (S2-B), Lakshay Vaishnav (SS1-A)*, *Aditya B (M3-B)* provided a backdrop for reflection and setting the tone for the assembly.

To engage and educate the students present regarding Autism Spectrum Disorder, a quiz on autism was conducted, covering various aspects such as characteristics, challenges, and misconceptions surrounding it. This interactive session encouraged students to learn more about autism and dispel common myths.

The assembly concluded with a thought-provoking closing message by *Shreyas Mishra (S1-E)* urging students to embrace diversity, show kindness, and promote inclusivity within our school and beyond. By coming together to celebrate differences and promote inclusivity, we reaffirmed our commitment to creating a more compassionate and inclusive world.

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