

The Road Less Traveled; Remembering Gandhiji

On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, the children of Santa Maria, KG-B, came together to present a heartwarming play titled "The Road Less Traveled" it explained that Gandhi's life was a journey on "the road less travelled," a path full of challenges and difficulties. This road taught him important lessons, shaping him into the Mahatma we know today. The presentation beautifully depicted the early life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi, focusing on the values of empathy, kindness, non-violence, and his remarkable ability to solve problems peacefully.



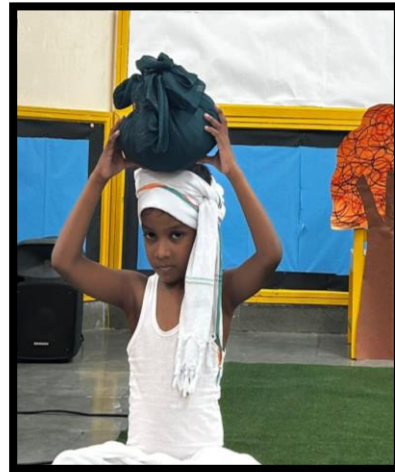
The first scene took the audience to Gandhi's childhood, where he and his brother Laxmidas walked through a forest on their way to school. The children enacted a touching moment when young Gandhi shared bananas with monkeys in the forest, highlighting his kindness and respect for all living creatures. This scene set the tone for the play, showcasing Gandhi's ability to empathize with others.



As the play progressed, the children depicted Gandhi's experiences at school, where he faced teasing and ridicule from his classmates. Despite the hurt, Gandhi did not respond with anger. Instead, with the help of his wise monkey friends he learned not see bad, hear bad and speak bad. This teaching became a guiding principle for Gandhi throughout his life, shaping his belief in non-violence.



One of the most impactful moments in the play was when the children reenacted Gandhi's empathy towards the poor after his return to India. Children portrayed how Gandhi chose to give up his own comforts, wearing a simple dhoti and standing in solidarity with the people of his nation. This act of compassion and humility was a powerful reminder of Gandhi's ability to connect with others and his deep understanding of their struggles.



The highlight of the performance was the portrayal of the famous Salt March, a peaceful protest led by Gandhi against the salt tax. The children enthusiastically brought this historic moment to life, showing how Gandhi inspired thousands to join him in non-violent resistance. Their energy and passion in this scene demonstrated Gandhi's belief in solving problems through empathy, persistence, and peaceful means. The Salt March became a symbol of Gandhi's unwavering commitment to justice without violence.



Throughout the play, the children of Santa Maria, Class KG-B, skillfully conveyed the essence of Gandhiji's values. They reminded the audience that choosing the road less traveled—one of kindness, empathy, and non-violence—may not always be easy, but it is the most rewarding path. Gandhi's ability to solve problems with patience, love, and thinking divergently was beautifully brought to life by the children, leaving a lasting impact on everyone watching.



As the performance came to a close, the children gathered together to lead the audience in singing the song "Bura na dekho, bura na bolo, bura na suno," a powerful reminder of the values Gandhi stood for. The children of Class KG-B truly embodied the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi, inspiring everyone present to walk the road less traveled with courage, compassion, and a commitment to solving problems peacefully. The presentation was a touching tribute to Gandhi's legacy and a celebration of his timeless teachings.



Regards,
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