

Vidya Devi Jindal School



Prayer Book

School Prefect's Oath

One who is put in authority over others and accepts the office of School Prefect, undertakes duties to the best of her abilities, recognizing the high standards of ethics and leadership which the student body expects of individuals representing their collective interests.

She must herself strictly obey the rules of the school, if she is to see that others also do so.

She must not be tempted to court popularity; but she can remember that if she does her duty well and fairly, she will win respect.

Prefects will understand and uphold, in letter and spirit, the rules and regulations governing their conduct.

A School Prefect accepts an office of responsibility, trust and honour.

The School Prefects are expected to create an environment where all Prefects pursue the highest possible level of performance and personal development for themselves and for the entire student body.

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House Prefect's Oath

The newly elected House Prefect and Vice-House Prefect do solemnly pledge to abide by the rules and regulations of the school and promise to work hard for the upliftment of the House and maintain the Set Standard of the House always 'without Fear or Favour'.

	House girls Promise to abide by the ons of the school?
Do you the House?	_ House girls promise to remain loyal to
Do you House Prefect?	_House girls promise to cooperate with
	_House girls promise to participate in all te House and the School?
Then take a pledo	ge to remain true

गायत्री मंत्र

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भूर = मनुष्य को प्राण प्रदान करने वाला

भुवः = दुखों का नाश करने वाला

स्वः = सुख प्रदान करने वाला

तत = वह, सवितुर = सूर्य की भांति उज्ज्वल

वरेण्यं = सबसे उत्तम

भर्गों = कर्मों का उद्धार करने वाला

देवस्य = प्रभु

धीमहि = आत्म चिंतन के योग्य (ध्यान)

धियो = बुद्धि, यो = जो, नः = हमारी, प्रचोदयात् = हमें शक्ति दें (प्रार्थना)

Oh God, the Protector, the basis of all life, Who is self-existent, Who is free from all pains and Whose contact frees the soul from all troubles, Who pervades the Universe and sustains all, the Creator and Energizer of the whole Universe, the Giver of happiness, Who is worthy of acceptance, the most excellent, Who is Pure and the Purifier of all, let us embrace that very God, so that He may direct our mental faculties in the right direction.

राष्ट्र गान

जन गण मन अधिनायक जय है।

भारत भाग्य विधाता।।

पंजाब सिंध गुजरात मराठा।

द्राविड़ उत्कल बंग।।
विंध्य हिमाचल यमुना गंगा।

उच्छल जलिध तरंग।।

तव शुभ नामे जागे,

तव शुभ आशिष माँगे।

गाहे तव जय गाथा।।

जन गण मंगलदायक जय है।

भारत भाग्य विधाता।।

जय है! जय हे! जय, जय, जय, हो।

राष्ट्र गीत

वन्दे मातरम्। वन्दे मातरम्।।
सुजलां सुफलां मलयज – शीतलाम्।
शस्य– श्यामलां मातरम्। वन्दे मातरम्।।
शुभ्र– ज्योत्स्नां– पुलिकत यामिनीम्।
फुल्लकुसुमित– द्रुमदल शोभिनीम्।।
सुहासिनीं सुमधुर भाषिणीम्।
सुखदां वरदां मातरम्।। वन्दे मातरम्।।

SCHOOL ANTHEM

We are all praises for you, We worship and adore you. VDJS we love you ...

You are more like an oasis, Set to keep up all the promises, Meet the quest of healthy minds, For learning, knowledge, life divine. VDJS we love you ...

Your fragrance must go high,
Ever reaching up the sky,
And round the earth so vast,
That all your dreams may come true.
VDJS we love you ...

'Knowledge is power' is your voice, Love, above all, is your choice, You train us with care-fair ,loving and benign, For life with a purpose-precious, noble & divine. VDJS we love you ...

PLEDGE

India is my country. All Indians are my brothers and sisters.

I love my country and am proud of its rich and varied heritage. I shall always strive to be worthy of it.

I shall respect my parents, teachers and all elders and treat everyone with courtesy.

To my country and my people I pledge my devotion. In their well-being and prosperity alone lies my happiness.

PRAYER BEFORE CLASS

ALL FOR THE GREATER HONOUR AND GLORY OF GOD

O my God, teach me to love You, with all my heart. Help me never to displease You, by any wicked thing. Strengthen my weakness. Help me to fight on, in time of temptation, and when I feel afraid. Help me to think the right things, to speak the right things, to do the right things, so that I may be a help to my friends and to all others around me. Bless my country, my parents, my teachers, my brothers and sisters, and all who do good to me. Grant that one day, we may all come safely home to Heaven.

Amen

MORNING PRAYER

God Almighty, you have brought us safely, to the beginning of this day, Defend us today, by your mighty power, so that we may not fall into sin.

Guide us with your wisdom,
which will enable us at all times,
to know what to do.
Make us know when to speak,
and when to be silent;
make us know when to act, and when to wait.

Protect us, all our teachers and parents, brothers and sisters, so that in all our thoughts, words and actions, we may be so guided by you, as to do always, what is holy in your sight.

Amen

PRAYER BEFORE EXAMINATION

O! God of wisdom and power, we beseech you, to look kindly upon us, as we are about to face our examination.

Enlighten our minds, so as to recall to our memory, all that we have learnt all that we have grasped.

We have used every talent, You have given us. We ask you then, for your strength, for your guidance, as we face this tedious task, as we stand imploring your help. We humbly ask you to accept, the fruit of our hard work.

O God, my Holy Protector, who grants the prayer of those who are coming to you, for help. I take refuge in you. I humbly request you to help me in my examination. You know that I had been working hard and have learnt as much as I can but, I do not depend on that, alone. I know that your help and blessings are urgently needed. I earnestly come to you so that my mind may be enlightened and I can answer all the questions in the best possible manner. O God, my loving Protector, I put my trust in you so that I may get a creditable pass in this Examination. I place myself in your loving care and entirely in your hands.

Amen

PRAYER OF A STUDENT

O God. from whom all wisdom and knowledge proceed, help us to do our studies well. Open our minds to the truth, wipe out all our prejudices. Let us not mistake fiction for facts. and fanciful theories for science. Make us diligent and constant in the pursuit of learning. Give us attentive minds, Lord, keen and alert, so that we can concentrate, and grasp our lessons. Give us eager minds to learn something new every day. And may our aim always be to pierce the veil of the visible world, to reach you, O invisible, eternal and unchangeable Truth.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Amen

PRAYER BEFORE MEALS

Bless us, O Lord and the food which we are about to receive from Thy bounty through Almighty our Lord!

Amen

PRAYER AFTER MEALS

We give you thank Almighty Lord for all the bounties You have showered us with. Bless us, our family and our loved ones and blessed be those hands who care for us.

Amen

PRAYER FOR THE POOR

Make us worthy. Lord, to serve our fellow men throughout the world who live and die in poverty and hunger. Give them through our hands this day their daily bread, And by our understanding love, give peace and joy.

PRAYERS FOR A NEW DAY

Lord behold our family here assembled. We thank Thee for this place in which we dwell; for the love that unites us, for the peace accorded to us this day; for the hope with which we expect the morrow, for the health, the work, the food and the bright skies that make our lives delightful. Let peace abound in all our company. Purge out of every heart the lurking grudge. Give us grace and strength to forbear and to persevere. Offenders ourselves, give us the grace to accept and forgive offenders. Forgetful ourselves, help us to bear cheerfully the forgetfulness of others. Give us courage and gaiety and quiet mind. Spare to us our friends, soften to us our enemies. Give us the strength to encounter that which is to come, so that we may be brave in peril, constant in tribulation, temperate in wrath and in all changes of fortune and down to the gates of death, loyal and loving one to another.



The day returns and brings us back to our round of duties. Help us to play the man; help us to perform our task with laughter and kind faces; let cheerfulness abound with industry. Help us to go blithely on our business all this day; bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undishonoured, and grant us in the end the gift of sleep.

PRAYERS FOR SERVICE

Master, give us this day hard work to do, work that will stretch our muscles and engross our minds, work that will employ all our powers of body, intellect and heart, if our work appointed this day be study and training for life, reveal unto us our responsibility for the future: teach us that every faculty of body and mind must be faithfully prepared so that when our time comes we may go forth as fit instruments for service; weapons, polished and keen where-with we may fight the battle of righteousness and truth vanquishing error, oppression and wrong. If our work be training and teaching of others then make our minds pure and humble so that no stain of selfishness or lethargy, or mean purpose or low ideas may tarnish this weighty and honourable service which has been committed to our charge.

Master Divine, we bring to thee the task of this day, above all, the great task of being the man thou would'st have us to be, of fulfilling thy ambitions for us. Grant unto us a zeal to work with thee to co-operate in thy purpose for our lives. We know that for each one of us thou hast a great and glorious future in store, if only we will give thee freedom to work out that future in us.

Help us therefore, to give thee full scope in our lives, that in serving thee and in serving our fellowmen, we may fulfill thy Ambition for us. Teach us, good Lord, to serve thee as thou deserveth, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labour and not to look for any reward, save that of knowing that we do thy will.

PRAYERS FOR FREEDOM OF MIND

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high; where knowledge is free; where the world has not been broken up into fragments by narrow domestic walls; where words come out from the depth of truth; where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection; where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into the dreary desert sand of dead habit; where the mind is led forward by Thee into ever widening thought and action - into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.



Grant that we here may be set free from fear, from fear of evil; from fear of weakness; from fear of pain; and may spend the day without dishonour to ourselves or hurt to others and when evening comes we may lie down in peace.

Deliver us from mean hopes and cheap pleasures from seeking favour or from shirking hardships. Have mercy on each in his failings; let him be not cast down, support the stumbling on the way and give at last rest to the weary.

PRAYER FOR HELP

God, help me to be patient and make those who love me patient. Forgive and help them to forgive me if I am unreasonable or demanding or when I lose my temper over little things. When I am in the wrong, give me the grace to admit it wholly, neither offering excuses nor trying to shift the blame. Make me more honest in my thinking, more charitable in my opinion.

PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Lord, receive our prayers for this school and this country. Protect the innocent, restrain the greedy and the treacherous, and lead us out of our tribulation into a quiet land. Look down upon ourselves and upon our absent dear ones. Help us and them; prolong our days in peace and honour. Give us health, food, bright weather, and light hearts. If we plan to do evil, frustrate our will. If we plan to do good, further our endeavours. Cause injuries to be forgotten and kindness to be remembered. Let us lie down at night without fear, so that we awake and arise tomorrow full of strength and joy.

PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE

Creator, open our hearts to peace and healing between all people.

Creator, open our hearts to provide and protect for all children of the earth.

Creator, open our hearts to respect for the earth, and all the gifts of the earth.

Creator, open our hearts to end exclusion, violence, and fear among all.

Thank you for the gifts of this day and every day.



O God, give me clean hands, clean words and clean thoughts. Help me to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong. Save me from habits that harm; teach me to work as hard, and to playas fair, in thy sight alone as if all the world saw. Forgive me when I am unkind and help me to forgive those who are unkind to me. Keep me ready to help others at some cost to myself and give me chances to do some good every day.



O Lord, may we be taught not only thy will, but how to do it. Teach us the best way of doing the best thing, lest we spoil the end by unworthy means.

PRAYER FOR FORTITUDE

Lord and King we pray Thee this day for courage to face unpopularity for the sake of truth; for courage to declare boldly our convictions, though they make us despised; for courage to break with evil custom and evil opinion, even though for so doing we are shunned and outcast. Give us strong hearts that will not fear what any man will do unto us. Confident in the power of truth, give us a spirit of boldness that we may trample on our fear of our fellows, being strong and very courageous.

PRAYER FOR AMENDMENT

In some ways we are evil O God, help us to see it and amend. In some ways we are good, help us to be better. Recreate in us the soul of service, the spirit of peace; renew in us the sense of joy, the sense of the power of good.

PRAYER FOR ACT OF SORROW

My God, I detest all the sins of my life. I am sorry for them, because they have offended You my God, Who is so good. I resolve never to commit sin any more. My good God, pity me, have mercy on me, forgive me.

THANKS GIVING PRAYER

King of the world, we thank Thee for the beginning of a new day, for the dim twilight, the glowing sunrise, for the new hops and the new opportunities, and for the new consciousness of Thine abiding care. Give us courage and strength for our work today, give us steadfastness of purpose, patience and humility and help us to speak the truth.



We return thanks to our mother, the earth, which sustains us.

We return thanks to the rivers and streams, which supply us with water.

We return thanks to all herbs, which furnish medicines for the cure of our diseases.

We return thanks to the moon and stars, which have given to us their light when the sun was gone.

We return thanks to the sun that has looked upon the earth with a beneficent eye.

Lastly, we return thanks to the Great Spirit, in whom is embodied all goodness, and Who directs all things for the good of Her children.

THANKS GIVING PRAYER

For cities and towns, factories and farms, flowers and trees, sea and sky.

Lord we praise You for the world and its beauty. For family and friends, neighbours and cousins Lord, we thank You for friendship and love. For kind hearts, smiling faces, and helping hands Lord, we praise You for those who care for others. For commandments that teach us how to live Lord, we thank You for those who help us to understand your laws.

And for making us one family on earth, the children of One God-Lord we praise You, who made all people different, yet alike.

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Creator of all joys and beauty, we are blessed by Thee this morning for Thy bright world, for the sunshine on the hills, for the mist on the rivers, for birds and beasts, mountains, plains and forests all giving glory to Thee in the radiance of the new dawn. We thank Thee that we may look, as Thou lookest, upon all the beauty of the earth. O Master, lover of beauty and joy, make our hearts simple and trustful, make our wills lowly and pure, that we may share in Thy will whereby is created and upheld all the joy and the beauty of this, Thy great universe.

A TEACHER'S PRAYER

Enable me to teach with wisdom for I help to shape the mind.

Equip me to teach with truth for I help to shape the conscience.

Encourage me to teach with vision for I help to shape the future.

Empower me to teach with love for I help to shape the world.



Send Thy peace O Lord, which is perfect and everlasting, that our souls may radiate peace.

Send Thy peace O Lord, that we may think, act and speak harmoniously.

Send Thy peace O Lord, that we may be contented and thankful for Thy bountiful gifts.

Send Thy peace O Lord, that amidst our worldly strife, we may enjoy Thy bliss.

Send Thy peace O Lord, that we may endure all, tolerate all, in the thought of Thy grace and mercy.

Send Thy peace O Lord, that our lives may become a divine vision and in Thy light, all darkness may vanish.

Send Thy peace O Lord, our Father and Mother, that we Thy children on Earth may all unite in one family prayer for peace.

PRAYER FOR STRENGTH

This is my prayer, my Lord - strike, strike at the root of penury in my heart. Give me the strength to make my love fruitful in service. Give me the strength never to disown those who are poor and weak, or bend my knees before insolent mind. Give me the strength to raise my mind high above little things and to learn to live with nobility, with courage and with truth, and give me the energy always to work forward my ideals so that in my life I may reveal some of the glory and wonder that has shone in the lives of the great men of the past.

PRAYER FOR REMEMBERANCE

Earth teach me stillness as the grasses are stilled with light. Earth teach me suffering as old stones suffer with memory. Earth teach me humility as blossoms are humble with beginning.

Earth Teach me caring as the mother who secures her young.

Earth teach me courage as the tree which stands alone. Earth teach me limitation as the ant which crawls on the ground.

Earth teach me freedom as the eagle which soars in the sky. Earth teach me resignation as the leaves which die in the fall.

Earth teach me regeneration as the seed which rises in the spring.

Earth teach me to forget myself as melted snow forgets its life.

Earth teach me to remember kindness as dry fields weep in the rain.

PRAYER FOR LOVING

May we love ever more.

May we motivate ourselves to committed love in action. May we motivate ourselves to live the life we wish to see in the world.

May we be the transformation we wish to see in the world.

From the inside out...

From the roots branching upwards...

From the heart

to thought

to word

To action.

Through life's trials and hardships we can arise beautiful and free.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Almighty God and Creator, You are the Father of all people on the earth.

Guide, I pray all the nations and their leaders in the ways of justice and peace.

Protect us from the evils of injustice, prejudice, exploitation, conflict and war.

Help us to put away mistrust, bitterness and hatred. Teach us to cease the storing and using of implements of war.

Lead us to find justice, peace and freedom.

Unite us in the making and creating of the tools of peace against ignorance, poverty, disease and oppression.

Grant that we may grow in harmony and friendship as brothers and sisters created in Your image, to Your honour and praise.

PRAYER TO THE GREAT SPIRIT

Oh, Great Spirit

Whose voice I hear in the wind,

Whose breath gives life to the world,

Hear me!

I come to you as one of your many children.

I am small and weak.

I need your strength and wisdom.

May I walk in beauty.

Make my eyes behold the red and purple sunset.

Make my hands respect the things that you have made,

And my ears sharp to hear your voice.

Make me wise so that I may know the things

That you have taught your children,

The lessons that you have hidden in every leaf and rock.

Make me strong, not to be superior to my

brothers, but to be able to fight my greatest enemy:

myself.

Make me ever ready to come to you with straight eyes, so that

When life fades as the faded sunset

My spirit will come to you without shame.

PRAYERS FOR THE COUNTRY

Eternal Lord, grant us a vision of our country as she might be a land of justice-where no one shall prey on others; a land of plenty-where vice and poverty will cease to exist; a land of brotherhood-where all success shall be founded on service and honour given to nobleness alone: a land of peace-where order shall not rest on force but on the love of all for the country-the great mother of the common life and wealth. Hear thou, 0 Lord, the prayer of all our hearts, as we each pledge our time, strength and thought, to speed the day of her coming beauty and righteousness. O God, guide all those to whom is committed the responsibility of government and leadership of this land, grant to them the gift of wisdom, understanding and unswerving loyalty to the good of our people so that freedom, justice and equality may come among us and all men have power and opportunity to live according to thy will.

Let the earth and the water, the air and the fruits of my country be sweet, Mv God.

Let the homes and marts, the forests and fields of my country be full, My God.

Let the promises and hopes, the deeds and words of my country be true, Mv God.

Let the lives and hearts of the sons and daughters of my country be one,

My God.

PRAYER

My salvation is in the light of the sky, In the dust and grass of the Earth.

My salvation is in the melody That takes me beyond the Boundaries of the body and mind.

My salvation is in the hearts of multitude. My salvation is in taking up hard task Daring pain and danger.

> In my quest for Salvation, May I offer my ego to the fire At the altar of the Creator.

PRAYER

If they answer not to thy call walk alone,
If they are afraid and cower mutely facing the wall,
O Thou of evil luck,
Open the mind and speak out alone.

If they turn away, and desert you when
Crossing the wilderness,
O thou of evil luck,
Trample the thorns under thy tread,
And along the blood-lined track travel alone.

If they do not hold up the light
When the night is troubled with storm,
O thou of evil luck,
With the thunder flame of pain
Ignite thine own heart
And let it burn alone.

MAKE ME A CHANNEL OF YOUR PEACE

Make me a channel of Your peace Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love, Where there is injury, Your pardon Lord And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

Make me a channel of Your peace, Where there's despair in life let me bring hope, Where there is darkness - only light, And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek, So much to be consoled as to console, To be understood, as to understand To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of Your peace, It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, In giving to all men that we receive, And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

WE SHALL OVERCOME

We shall overcome (2)
We shall overcome some day,
Oh deep in my heart I do believe
We shall overcome some day.

We shall live in peace (2) We shall live in peace some day, Oh deep in my heart I do believe We shall live in peace some day.

We shall all be one (2)
We shall all be one some day,
Oh deep in my heart I do believe
We shall all be one some day.

MORE LOVE

More love, more power More of You in our lives. More love, more power More of You in our lives.

We will worship You with all of our heart
We will worship You with all of our mind
We will worship You with all of our strength
Ever...Forever...

More peace, more faith More of You in our lives. More peace, more faith More of You in our lives.

We will worship You with all of our sense
We will worship You with all of our hope
We will worship You with all of our being
Ever...Forever...

More love, more power More of You in our lives. More love, more power More of You in our lives.

We will worship You with all of our heart
We will worship You with all of our mind
We will worship You with all of our strength
Ever...Forever...

GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning Give me oil in my lamp, I pray. Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning Keep me burning till the break of day.

Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to the King of kings. Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to the King.

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising Give me joy in my heart, I pray. Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising Keep me praising till the break of day.

Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to the King of kings. Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to the King of kings.

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving Give me love in my heart I pray. Give me love in my heart keep me serving Keep me serving till the break of day.

Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to the King of kings. Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to the King of kings.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

When upon life's billows you are tempest-tossed, When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost, Count your many blessings, name them one by one, And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.

Count your blessings, name them one by one,
Count your blessings, see what God hath done!
Count your blessings, name them one by one,
Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.

Are you ever burdened with a load of care?

Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?

Count your many blessings, every doubt will fly,

And you will keep singing as the days go by.

Count your blessings, name them one by one, Count your blessings, see what God hath done! Count your blessings, name them one by one,

Count your many blessings, see what God hath done. Count your many blessings, see what God hath done. Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.

PLUCK THIS LITTLE FLOWER

Ch. Pluck this little flower And take it, delay not I fear Lest it droop and drop into the dirt.

- It may not find a place in my garland But honour it with the touch of pain From thy hand and pluck it.
- 2. I fear lest the day and before
 I am aware and the time of offering go by.
- 3. Though its colour be not deep And its smell be faint.
- 4. Use this flower in thy service And pluck it while there's time.

DMOS

Stand before my eyes and let
Thy glance touch my songs into a flame.
Stand among thy stars and let
me find kindled in their lights
my own fire of worship.
The earth is waiting at the world's wayside.
Stand on the green mantle
she has flung upon thy path
And let me feel in her grass and meadow flowers
the spread of my own salutation.
Stand in my lonely evening
where my heart watches alone;
Fill her cup of solitude and
let me feel in me the infinity of Thy Love.

JUSTICE

Lord, You have trusted every man with your Scepter of Justice.

You have reposed your faith in us To bring justice to those who are helpless and suffer the arrogance of the mighty.

Where mercy is a mere act of weakness and cowardice, Lord, command me to be merciless.

One who sins and the one who tolerates the sin meekly, May both perish in your wrath like grass in a forest fire.

Let me always bear in mind that
True justice is done when at the end,
The one who gives the verdict comes down
from his seat
To the level of the one who receives it
And both share the pain.

LET THY LOVE PLAY UPON MY VOICE

Ch. Let thy love play upon my voice And rest on my silence.

- Let it pass through my heart into all my movements Let thy love like stars shine in the darkness of my sleep. And dawn in my awakening.
- 2. Let it burn in the flame of my desires. And flow in all currents of my own love.
- 3. Let me carry thy love like a harp does its music And give it back to thee at last with my life.

SONG

Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom Lead Thou me on: The night is dark and I am far from home. Lead Thou me on, Keep Thou my feet. I do not ask to see The distant scene; one step enough for me. I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou Shouldst lead me on I loved to choose and see my path, but now Lead thou me on I loved the garish day, and spite of, and, spite of fears, Pride ruled my will: remember not past years. So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still Will lead me on. O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, tell The night is gone, And with the mom those angel faces smile. Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.

HE COMES

Ch. Have you not heard his silent steps He comes comes ever comes.

- Every moment and every age every day and every night.
- 2. In the rainy gloom of July night On the thundering chariot of clouds.
- In sorrow after sorrow
 It is his steps that press upon my heart
 And it is the golden touch of his feet
 That makes my joy to shine.

SONG

There are numerous strings in your lute, Let me add my own among them, Then when you smite your chords, My heart will break its silence, And my heart will be one with your song. Amidst your numberless stars, Let me place my own little lamp, In the dance of your festival of lights, My heart will throb, And my life will be one with your smile.

LORD I'VE COME TO YOUR GARDEN

Lord I've come to your garden
To see what grows there today
Lord I've come to your garden
To love, to work and to pray.
Lord......
In your garden blows a cold cold wind
That chills the hearts of men
Over your garden rests a dull grey sky
What is the colour of Sin.
Lord......
Green grows the grass on your hillside Lord
Red is the valley floor
Blue is the mist on your mountain tops
What is the colour of war.

Lord.....

SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS

Ch. Showers of blessing, showers of blessing we need

There shall be showers of blessings
This is the promise of love.
There shall be seasons refreshing
Sent from the Saviour above

Mercy drops round us are falling But for the showers we plead. There shall be showers of blessing.

Precious reviving again
Over the hills and the valleys
Sound of abundance of rain
There shall be showers of blessing

Send them up on us O Lord Grant to us now a refreshing Come and now honour Thy word There shall be showers of blessing

O that today they might fall

Now as to God where we are confessing

Now as on our Lord we call.

GRATEFUL HYMN OF PRAISE

For the beauty of the earth, For the beauty of the skies, For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies,

Lord of all, to Thee we raise-This our grateful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour, Of the day and of the night, Hill and vale, and tree and bower, Sun and moon and stars of light. Lord of all.......

For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child, Friends on earth, and friends above, Pleasures pure and undefiled, Lord of all.......

For each perfect gift of Thine,
To our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
Lord of all........

SONG

As pants the heart for cooling streams When heated in the chase, So longs my soul, 0 God, for Thee, And Thy refreshing grace.

For Thee, my God, the living God, My thirsty soul doth pine: O when shall I behold Thy face, Thou majesty divine?

Why restless, why cast down, my soul? Hope still, and thou shalt sing . The praise of Him who is thy God, Thy health's eternal spring.

DMOS

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above, Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love: The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test, That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best; The love that never falters, the love that pays the price, The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago, Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know:

We may not count her armies, we may not see her King; Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering; And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase, And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

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NEARER, MY GOD

Nearer, my God, to thee, Nearer to thee! E'en though it be a cross That raiseth me; Still all my song shall be, Nearer, my God, to thee, Nearer to thee!

Though, like the wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness comes over me,
My rest a stone, Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

There let my way appear
Steps unto heaven,
All that thou sendest me
In mercy given; Angels to beckon me
Nearer, my God to thee,
Nearer to thee!

Then, with my waking thoughts
Bright with thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs
Beth-ell'lI raise; So by my woes to be
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

SONG

Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withold.
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; It shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart: it is thine own; It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour At thy feet its treasure-store.

Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.

SONG

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, Keep thy lamb, in safety keep; Nothing can thy power withstand, None can pluck me from thy hand.

Loving Saviour, thou didst give Thine own life that we might live, And the hands outstretched to bless Rear the cruel nails' impress.

I would praise thee every day, Gladly all thy will obey, Like thy blessed ones above Happy in thy precious love.

Loving Shepherd, ever near, Teach thy lamb thy voice to hear; Suffer not my steps to stray From the straight and narrow way.

Where thou leadest I would go, Walking in thy steps below, Till before my Father's throne I shall know as I am known.

DMOS

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide; When other helpers fail, and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see: O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour; What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy Cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies: Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne,
Make all my wants and wishes known!
In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief,
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer
The joys I feel, the bliss I share
Of those whose anxious spirits burn
With strong desires for thy return!
With such I hasten to the place,
Where God my Saviour shows His face,
And gladly take my station there,
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer
Thy wings shall my petition bear
To Him, whose truth and faithfulness
Engage the waiting soul to bless:
And since He bids me seek His face,
Believe His Word, and trust His grace,
I'll cast on Him my every care,
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

FOR THE FALLEN

O valiant hearts, who to your glory came Through dust of conflict and through battle flame; Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved, Your memory hallowed in the land you loved.

Proudly you gathered, rank on rank, to war, As who had heard God's message from a far; All you had hoped for, all you had, you gave To save mankind yourselves you scorned to save.

Splendid you passed, the great surrender made, Into the light that never more shall fade;

Deep your contentment in that blest abode. Who wait the last clear trumpet-call of God.

Long years ago, as earth lay dark and still, Rose a loud cry upon a lonely hill, While in the frailty of our human clay, Christ, our Redeemer, passed the self-same way.

Still stands his Cross! Tom that dread hour to this, Like some bright star above the dark abyss; Still, through the veil, the Victor's pitying eyes Look down to bless our lesser Calvaries.

These were his servants, in his steps they trod, Following through death the martyred Son of God; Victor he rose; victorious too shall rise They who have drunk his cup of sacrifice.

O risen Lord, a Shepherd of our dead, Whose Cross has brought them and whose staff has led, In glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land Commits her children to thy gracious hand.

प्रतिज्ञा

भारत हमारा देश है। हम सब भारतवासी भाई – बहन हैं। हमें अपना देश पाणों से भी प्यारा है। इसकी समृद्धि और विविध संस्कृति पर हमें गर्व है। हम इसके सुयोग्य अधिकारी बनने का प्रयत्न सदा करते रहेंगे। हम अपने माता– पिता, शिक्षकों और गुरूजनों का आदर करेंगे और सबके साथ शिष्टता का व्यवहार करेंगे। हम अपने देश और देशवासियों के प्रति वफादार रहने की प्रतिज्ञा करते हैं। उनके कल्याण और समृद्धि में ही हमारा सुख निहित है।

जय हिन्द।

ऐ मालिक तेरे बन्दे हम

ऐ मालिक तेरे बन्दे हम, ऐसे हो हमारे करम,
नेकी पर चलें और बदी से टलें, ताकि हँसते हुए निकले
दम।
ऐ मालिक तेरे
ये अँधेरा घना छा रहा, तेरा इन्सान घबरा रहा।
हो रहा बेखबर, कुछ ना आता नज़र, सुख का सूरज
छिपा जा रहा।
है तेरी रोशनी में वो दम, तू अमावस को कर दे पूनम।।
नेकी पर चलें। ऐ मालिक तेरे बन्दे हम
जब जुल्मों का हो सामना, तब तू ही हमें थामना।
वो बुराई करें, हम भलाई करें, नहीं बदले की हो भावना।
बढ़ उठे प्यार का हर कदम, और मिटे बैर का हर
भरम।।
नेकी पर चलें। ऐ मालिक तेरे बन्दे हम
बड़ा कमज़ोर है आदमी, अभी लाखों हैं इसमें कमी,
पर तू जो खड़ा, है दयालु बड़ा, तेरी कृपा से धरती थमी।
दिया तूने हमें जब जनम, तू ही झेलेगा हम सबके गुम।
नेकी पर चलें। ऐ मालिक तेरे बन्दे हम

हमको मन की शक्ति देना

हमको मन की शक्ति देना, मन विजय करें। दूसरों की जय से पहले खुद ही जय करें। हम को मन की शक्ति देना

भेदभाव अपने दिल से, साफ़ कर सकें,
दूसरों से भूल हो तो माफ़ कर सकें।
झूठ से बचे रहें सच का दम भरें
दूसरों की जय से पहले खुद की जय करें।
हम को मन की शक्ति देना

मुश्किलें पड़ें तो हमपे इतना कर्म कर, साथ दें तो धर्म का, चलें तो धर्म पर। खुद पे हौसला रहे बदी से न टलें दूसरों की जय से पहले खुद की जय करें। हम को मन की शक्ति देना

हे शारदे माँ, हे शारदे माँ

हे शारदे माँ, हे शारदे माँ,

अज्ञानता से हमें तार दे माँ

तू स्वर की देवी है संगीत तुझसे, हर शब्द तेरा है हर गीत तुझसे।

हम हैं अकेले हम हैं अधूरे, तेरी शरण में हमें प्यार दे माँ हे शारदे माँ, हे शारदे माँ

मुनियों ने समझी गुणियों ने जानी, वेदों की भाषा पुराणों की वाणी।

हम भी तो समझें हम भी तो जानें, विद्या का हमको अधिकार दे माँ,

हे शारदे माँ, हे शारदे माँ

तू श्वेतवर्णी कमल पे विराजे, हाथों में वीणा मुकुट सर पे साजे।

अज्ञानता के मिटा दे अँधेरे, उजालों का हमको संसार दे माँ

हे शारदे माँ, हे शारदे माँ

इतनी शक्ति हमें देना दाता

इतनी शक्ति हमें देना दाता, मन का विश्वास कमजोर हो ना हम चलें नेक रस्ते पे हम से, भूल कर भी कोई भूल हो ना...

दूर अज्ञान के हों अँधेरे,
तू हमें ज्ञान की रोशनी दे
हर बुराई से बचते रहें हम,
जितनी भी दे भली ज़िंदगी दे
बैर हो ना किसी का किसी से,
भावना मन में बदले की हो ना
हम चले...

हम ना सोचें हमें क्या मिला है, हम ये सोचें किया क्या है अर्पण। फूल खुशियों के बाँटें सभी को, सबका जीवन ही बन जाए मधुवन। अपनी करुणा का जल तू बहा दे कर दे पावन हर इक मन का कोना... हम चलें...

गीत

लब पे आती है दुआ बनके तमन्ना मेरी,
जिन्दगी शमां की सूरत हो खुदाया मेरी।
दूर दुनिया का मेरे दम से अँघेरा हो जाए,
हर जगह मेरे चमकने से उजाला हो जाए।
हो मेरा काम गरीबों की हिमायत करना,
दर्दमंदों से, ज़ईफों से मोहब्बत करना।
मेरे अल्लाह बुराई से बचाना मुझको,
नेक जो राह हो उस राह पे चलाना मुझको।।

गीत

चरन कमल बन्दौं हिर राई! जाकी कृपा पंगु गिरि लंघे, अंघे को सब कछु दरसाई। बिहरो सुने, मूक पुनि बोलै, रंक चलै सिर छत्र धराई। सूरदास स्वामी करूणामय, बारबार बन्दौ तिहि पाई।।

गीत

वैष्णव जन तो तेने किहये, जे पीर पराई जाणे रे! परदुःखे उपकार करे तोये, मन अभिमान ना आणे रे! सकल लोकमां सहुने वन्दे, निन्दा न करे केनी रे! वाच काछ मन निश्छल राखे, धनधन जननी तेनी रे! मोह—माया व्यापे निहं जेने, दृढ़ वैराग्य जेना मन मान रे! राम नाम सुन ताली लागी, सकल तीरथ तेना तन माना रे!

गीत

हे जग त्राता, विश्वविधाता, हे सुख — शान्ति निकेतन हे! प्रेम के सिन्धु, दीन के बन्धु, दुःख दिरद्भ विनाशन हे! नित्य — अखंड, अनन्त — अनादि, पूरण ब्रह्म सनातन हे! जग — आश्रय, जगपति, जगबंदन, अनुपम, अलख निरंजन हे! प्राण — सखा त्रिभुवनप्रतिपालक, जीवन के अवलंबन हे!

गीत

सारे जहाँ से अच्छा हिन्दोस्ताँ हमारा! हम बुलबुले हैं इसकी, ये गुलिसताँ हमारा!! सारे जहाँ....... पर्वत वो सबसे ऊँचा, हमसाया आसमाँ का! वो सन्तरी हमारा, वो पासबाँ हमारा!! सारे जहाँ....... गोदी में खेलती हैं, जिसकी हज़ारों निदयाँ! गुलशन है जिनके दम से, रश्क-ए-जहाँ हमारा!! सारे जहाँ...... मजहब नहीं सिखाता, आपस में बैर रखना! हिन्दी हैं हम, वतन है हिन्दोस्ताँ हमारा!! सारे जहाँ......

गीत

मोको कहाँ ढूँढ़े रे बन्दे, मैं तो तेरे पास में।
ना मैं मन्दिर ना मैं मस्जिद, ना काबे, कैलाश में।।
मोको
ना तो कौनो क्रिया— कर्म में, ना ही योग — वैराग में।
खोजी होय तो तुरतै मिलि हौं, पलभर की तलाश में।।
मोको
कहत कबीर सुनो भई साधो, सब साँसों की साँस में।
मोको

गीत

जय जय देवी चराचर सारे, कुच युग शोभित मुक्ता हारे। वीणा रंजित पुस्तक हस्ते, भगवित भारित देवि नमस्ते। जयित जय माँ सरस्वती, जयित वीणा वादिनी। जयित पद्मासना माता, जयित शुभवर — दायिनी। जगत का कल्याण कर माँ, तू है विश्व — विकासिनी। कमल — आसन छोड़ दे माँ, देख ले मेरी व्याकुल व्यथा। शांति की सरिता बहा दे, तू है विश्व — विकासिनी।

PRAYER FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS FOR FOUNDER

Almighty God, the giver of all good things, we thank Thee for the labours and the gifts of our Founder, and those who have improved this School; for all who have been its benefactors; for all who have taught and ministered within its walls and for their words of life, for their understanding influence; for the happy comradeship and abiding friendships which had here their home; for all memories of the past which ennoble and satisfy the present, recalling us to fresh ardours and the gallant hopes of youth. We thank Thee for making us partakers in this goodly heritage, and for all Thy manifold blessings to us in this place. Grant that we may hand down to our successors all the good which has been handed down to us, and may be enabled to add thereto.

COMMEMORATION DAY PRAYER

Dear God - As we enter the School, we give thanks for the __ years that Vidya Devi Jindal School Community has been educating and guiding students.

We have come together as a community of believers. Students, Staff and Families have come together to learn, play and worship in a caring environment.

How fortunate we have been!

Bless all of the staff and students of our beloved school. Bless and guide us for many years to come. Teach us to value honesty, hard work and joy. Teach us to appreciate the unique gifts of ourselves and others. Let us join together to be peacemakers and makers of the future, who recognize the presence of God within each of us.

We love you, we praise you, we thank you.

Amen 50

FOR THE SCHOOL

Grant, O God, that as the years pass by there may go forth from this School a great company of men and women who shall serve faithfully in their different professions for the welfare of their fellow-men and for the good of India. Help them to realise their responsibilities as members of our School. May nothing they do or say tarnish its good name, may loyalty among its members mark their common life, may the love of all that is good and honest flourish and abound.

FOR THE GOVERNORS

O Almighty God, bless with Thy wisdom and Thy love the Governors of this School, be with them and guide them in their deliberations and grant that they may use their talents for the welfare of the School, now and always.

FOR THE STAFF AND PREFECTS

O Heavenly Father, we pray for those appointed to hold office in this School. May Thy Spirit direct and control them at all times in the carrying out of their duties. Fill their hearts with loyalty, courage, and patience, so that in all things they may seek Thy glory and the well-being of the School.

FOR THE OLD GIRLS

O Lord give Thy blessings to our Old Girls. Guide them so that they may always so order their lives as to be worthy of their heritage in the fellowship of this foundation and by their examples help to establish a brotherhood amongst all men, now and always.

FOR THE NEW GIRLS

May the beautiful sky, the red soil and the warmth of VDJS family embrace the new students today and always.

 $May this \, place \, be \, their \, home \, for \, life.$

May they forever grow towards the light and freedom of the sky with their roots firmly

entrenched in the soil.



Help those, O God, who are joining our School, and who have left home for the first time. We remember how friendless and strange we ourselves felt, how welcoming was the voice of friendship and guidance in the difficulties of school life. May those of us who have been here longer help them as we ourselves were helped. May they soon realize our great traditions, and prove themselves worthy of them. And when they grow older, may they show themselves worthy of their heritage.

FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE TERM

Lord, we stand in Thy presence here at the beginning of this new term. We do not know what lies before us but it will be the road to womanhood, and we would face it with courage and with confidence. Take this School into Thy hands, we pray Thee; help us to get rid of all that is mean and unworthy from our midst; help us to help and not hinder one another; help us to work out here a way of living which shall be worthy of Thee.

FOR THE END OF THE TERM

O God! We praise Thee for the gift of this Term for its healthy discipline and its healthy freedom; for the joy of effort and the joy of rest; for the inspiration of human friendship.

FOR THOSE LEAVING THE SCHOOL

May Thy presence go with all whose days among us in school now draw to their close. Preserve them under Thy protection; keep them loyal to the ideals they have learned; guide them to the work in life Thou hast for them to do; and grant that, as faithful stewards, they may freely and generously share with others those good gifts which Thou hast here bestowed upon them, to Thy glory and the blessing of Thy world.

DIWALI PRAYER

The Gods are looking down on us,
Wake up, All children of the Earth, wake up
Bring out the light within you
Conquer the dark
Sing the victory of light.

53 Amen

A BIRTHDAY PRAYER

O God, I thank You for giving me another year of life.

I thank you for all the people who have remembered me today, and who have sent me cards, and letters, and good wishes, and presents. I thank you for everything which I have been abled by You to do and to be in the past year.

I thank you for all the experiences of the past year;

For times of success which will always be happy memories;

For times of failure which reminded me of my own weakness and of my need of you; For times of joy when the sun was shining; For times of sorrow which drove me to You.

Forgive me

For the hours I have wasted; For the chances I failed to take; For the opportunities I missed in the past year;

Forgive me for not making of life all that I might have made of it and could have made of it; and help me in the days which lie ahead to make this the best year yet, and in it to bring credit to myself, happiness to my loved ones, and joy to You.

This I ask for God's sake.

IN TIME OF WORRY AND ANXIETY

O God, You know how worried and anxious I am about Help me to be sensible, and to see that worrying about things does not make them any better.

Help me to be trustful, and to do all that I can, and then to leave the rest to You.

Help me to be sure that nothing can happen to me through which you cannot bring me in safety; and that nothing can separate me from your love.

Help me to lose my anxiety in the certainty that your everlasting arms are underneath me and about; and give me something of the peace which the world cannot give, and cannot ever take away; through our Lord.

Amen

IN THE TIME OF ILLNESS

O God, our Father, bless and help in the illness which has come upon him.

Give him courage and patience, endurance and cheerfulness to bear all weakness and all pain; and give him a peaceful mind, which will make his recovery all the quicker.

Give to all doctors, surgeons and nurses who attend him, skill on their hands, wisdom in their minds and gentleness and sympathy in their hearts.

Help us not to worry too much, but to leave our loved one in the hands of wise and skillful men who have the gift of healing, and in Your hands.

Lord come to us and to our loved one this day and at this time, and show us that Your healing touch has never lost its ancient power. This we ask for Your love's sake.

Amen

AFTER A QUARREL

O God, You know that today I have broken your commandment of love, and that I have parted with my brother in anger. Even if I have been wronged and insulted, teach me how to forgive. Even if I was right, help me to make the first approach and to take the first step to putting things right again. Keep me from foolish pride and from nursing my foolish anger. Help me to be looking at God, that in Him I may see the example of how to forgive, and that in Him I may find the will and the power to forgive. This I ask for your love's sake.

Amen

DEMISE

Lord,
If through the darkness of our sorrow,
Shines Thy holy lamp
May it be thus.
If death brings us closer
To Thy heavenly abode,
May it be thus.
If my burning pain
Lights a lamp at Thy alter
May it be thus.
If through the mist of my tears
I see Thy merciful eyes,
May it be thus.



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