

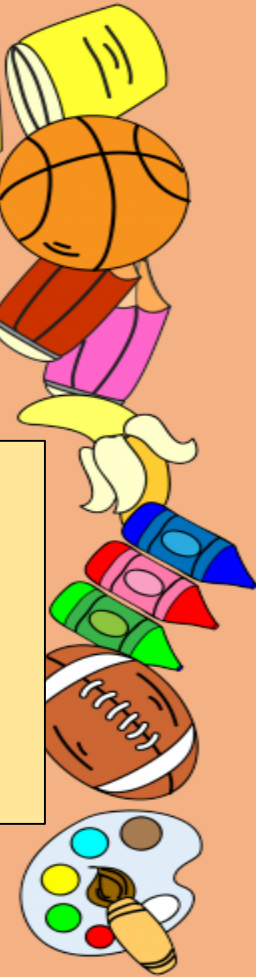
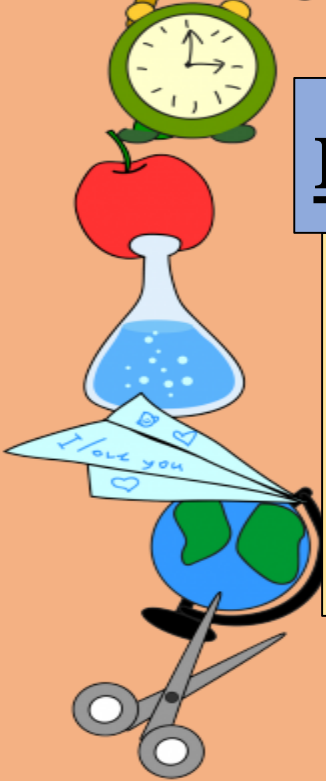


# Festivals Notes



## INTRODUCTION

All of us celebrate festivals. We love to celebrate festivals with our family and friends. Festivals bring people together. It is the time for fun and celebration. In India we celebrate many festivals.





## **IMPORTANT FESTIVALS OF INDIA**

**Diwali** is an important festival of Hindus. It is the festival of lights. People decorate their homes with lights, candles and diyas. They eat and distribute sweets and children burst crackers.



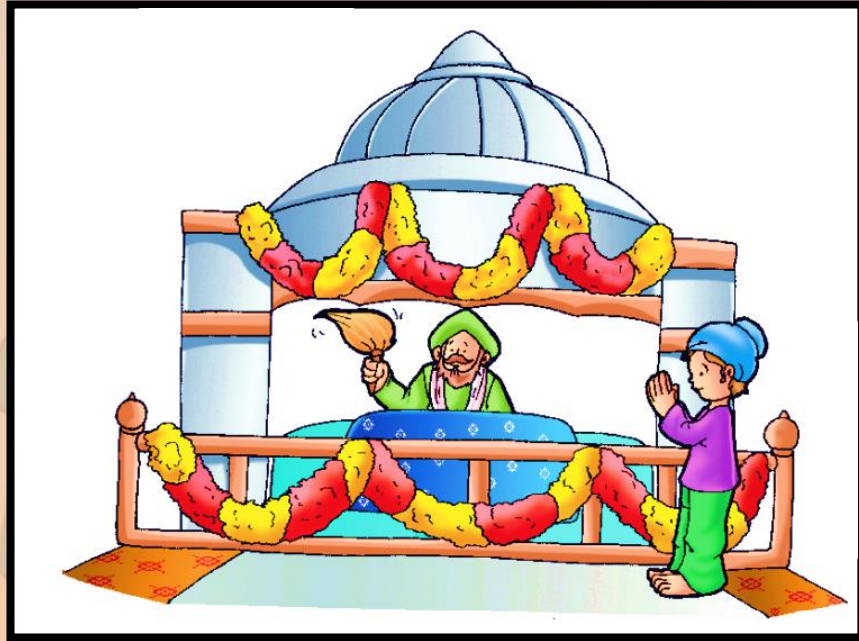


**Eid** is an important festival of Muslims. It comes after the holy month of **Ramjan**. Muslims go to the **Mosques** to offer prayers. All enjoy the delicious **sewaiyan**.



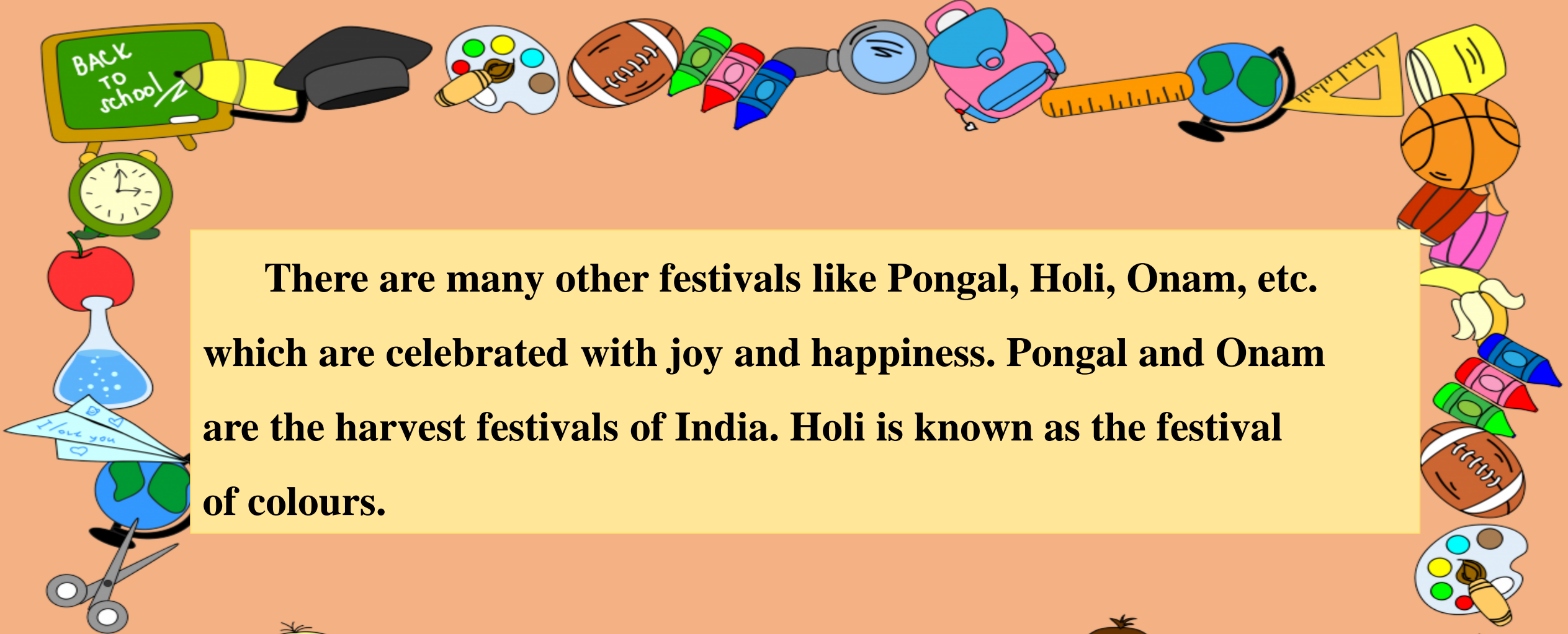
**Christmas** is an important festival of Christians. It is celebrated on 25th December of every year. It is the birthday of Jesus Christ. People exchange gifts. They decorate Christmas tree and go to Church to offer prayer.





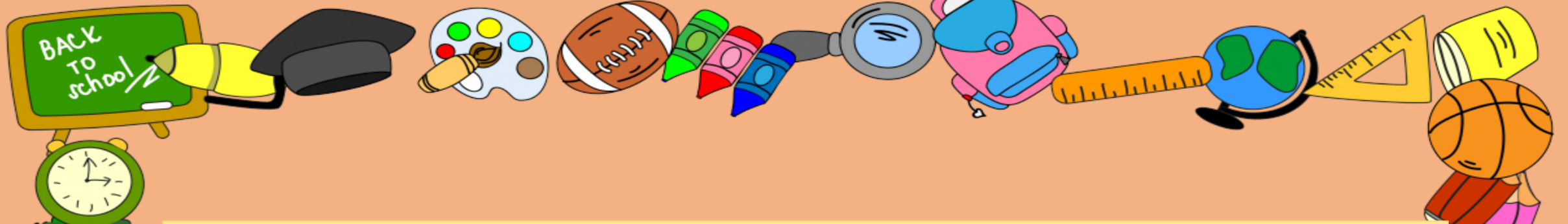
**Guruparv** is an important festival of Sikhs. It is celebrated on Gurupurnima every year. They go to Gurudwara to offer prayers.





**There are many other festivals like Pongal, Holi, Onam, etc. which are celebrated with joy and happiness. Pongal and Onam are the harvest festivals of India. Holi is known as the festival of colours.**





## **NATIONAL FESTIVALS OF INDIA**

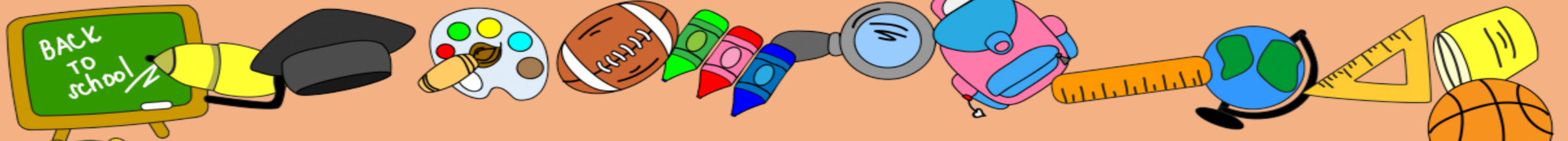
**Republic Day** : It is celebrated on 26th January, every year.

**Independence Day** : It is celebrated on 15th August, every year.

**Gandhi Jayanti** : It is celebrated on 2nd October, every year.

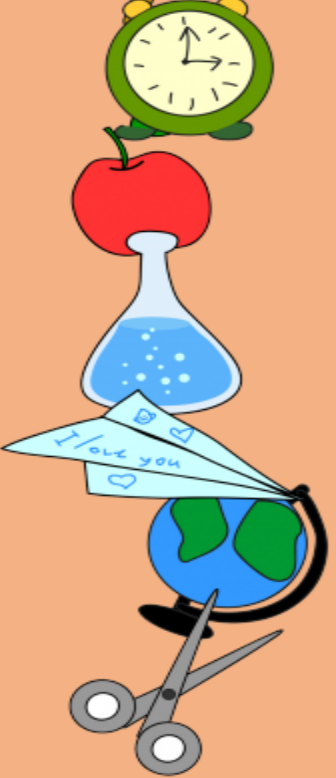


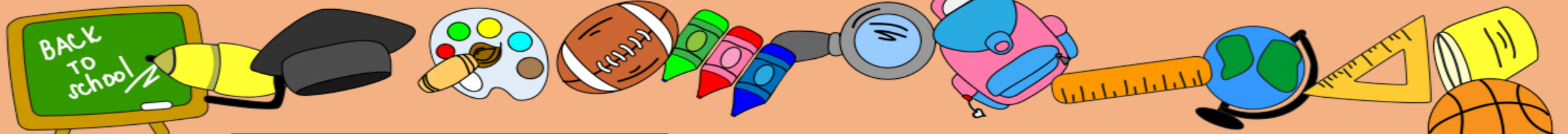




## Fact File

- **People of different castes and religions live in India.  
They all are Indians.**





## Things to Remember

- **The festivals celebrated by the people of different religions are called religious festivals, for example Holi, Eid etc.**
- **The festivals celebrated by all the citizens of the country are called national festivals, for example Republic Day, Independence Day and Gandhi Jayanti.**

