Children's Day Speech in English 2026 (1, 2 and 3 Minutes)

1, 2 and 3 minute speeches for students, plus a speech for a teacher and the principal.

Children's Day 2026: Saturday, 14 November

1-minute speech on Children's Day (about 130 words)

Good morning to our respected Principal, our teachers and all my dear friends.

Today is the fourteenth of November, Children's Day. It is the birthday of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India, who was born in 1889. Children called him Chacha Nehru, and he liked that name more than any title.

Nehru believed that a country is only as strong as its children are healthy, curious and educated. He wanted every child in India to have a school to go to and the freedom to ask questions.

So today is not only about games and sweets, although we will enjoy both. It is a reminder that childhood is worth protecting, and that every child deserves the same chance we have.

Happy Children's Day to all of you. Thank you.

2-minute speech on Children's Day (about 250 words)

Respected Principal, respected teachers and my dear friends, a very good morning to all of you.

Today, the fourteenth of November, belongs to us. All over India, schools are celebrating Children's Day on the birthday of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Nehru was born in 1889 in Allahabad, the city we now call Prayagraj. He studied in England, came back to India and joined the freedom struggle with Mahatma Gandhi. He was sent to prison again and again for it, for more than nine years in total. When India became free in 1947, he became our first Prime Minister.

He was a busy man running a new country, and still he made time for children. Years earlier, he had written a long series of letters to his ten-year-old daughter

Indira, explaining how the earth began and how the first people lived, so that she would learn to wonder about the world. Children who met him called him Chacha Nehru, and he usually wore a fresh rose on his coat.

Why did a Prime Minister care so much about children? Because he understood something simple. The India of tomorrow is built by the children of today. If they grow up healthy, educated and unafraid to ask questions, the country will be in good hands.

Friends, today we will play, laugh and probably eat too many sweets. Let us also remember that many children in our country are working instead of studying. A happy childhood should not be a matter of luck.

Thank you, and Happy Children's Day.

3-minute speech on Children's Day (about 360 words)

Respected Principal, respected teachers, and my dear friends, a very good morning to everyone.

Today is the fourteenth of November. In every school across India, this is the one day of the year that belongs to students. We celebrate it as Children's Day, on the birthday of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, and this year marks his one hundred and thirty-seventh birth anniversary.

Most of us know three facts about Nehru: he was our first Prime Minister, he wore a rose on his coat, and children called him Chacha Nehru. Let me add a few that make him more interesting.

He was born in Allahabad in 1889 and studied at Harrow and at Cambridge in England. He could have lived a comfortable life as a lawyer. Instead he joined the freedom struggle, and spent more than nine years of his life in British jails. He did not waste that time. From prison he wrote letters to his daughter Indira about the history of the world, and in Ahmednagar Fort he wrote a whole book, The Discovery of India.

On the night of the fourteenth of August, 1947, just before midnight, he told the Constituent Assembly that India would "awake to life and freedom". For nearly seventeen years after that, he led the new country. In those years India built

new universities, the first IITs and AIIMS, big dams and steel plants. He believed that a free nation needed educated minds and scientific thinking.

That is why his birthday became Children's Day. Nehru believed that the way a country brings up its children decides its future. He did not mean that children should be serious all the time. He loved to see them play, ask questions, argue and laugh.

So what does this day ask of us? Not a long list of promises. Just three things. Keep asking "why", the way Nehru taught his daughter to. Respect every child around you, including the ones who do not get to go to school. And enjoy your childhood, because it does not come back.

To our teachers, thank you for making this day special for us. To my friends, a very happy Children's Day.

Thank you.

Children's Day speech by a teacher (about 2 minutes)

In many schools the roles swap on 14 November: teachers perform, and students sit in the front row. If you are the teacher who has been asked to say a few words, this works.

> Good morning, dear students, and good morning to my colleagues.
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> On most days, you stand up when we walk into the classroom. Today we would like to stand up for you.
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> The fourteenth of November is Children's Day, the birthday of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. He believed that a nation is built in its classrooms and its playgrounds long before it is built in its offices. We teachers see the truth of that every single day.
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> We see the student who could not read a full sentence in June and now reads aloud in assembly. We see the friend who shares a tiffin without being asked. We hear the questions you ask that we cannot always answer, and sometimes we go home and look them up.
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> We are strict with you some days, and we will be strict again next week. But please know that every correction comes from people who want the best for

> you.
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> So today there is no homework talk and no marks talk. Today we want you to laugh, play and be exactly the age you are. Childhood is short, and we would like you to enjoy it properly.
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> On behalf of all your teachers, Happy Children's Day. We are proud of you.

Short speech by the principal (just over a minute)

> Good morning, my dear children, and my colleagues on the staff.
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> Every year on the fourteenth of November we remember Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, India's first Prime Minister, whose birthday became a day that belongs to children.
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> When I look at this assembly, I see future doctors, engineers, farmers, artists, teachers and perhaps a Prime Minister or two. But today I do not want to talk about what you will become. I want to talk about who you are right now: curious, honest, full of energy, and quick to forgive one another. Adults could learn a lot from that.
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> This school exists for you. If something here makes it harder for you to learn, or to feel safe, I want to hear about it. My door is open, today and every day.
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> Enjoy the programme your teachers have prepared. You have earned it. Happy Children's Day.

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