



Dear Parent and Carers,

18<sup>th</sup> April 2016

This is the first of many newsletters you will receive from me, on a regular basis, as a way of sharing information and celebrating achievements at our school.

My first week at KAPSH has been pleasing and I already feel a sense of belonging. The school teams have made me feel extremely welcome and I look forward to many happy years working with them. I have visited all the classes and met your children who have impressed me hugely. I have found them to be polite, confident and extremely enthusiastic. At present, I am finding all their names a challenge to remember but I am hoping it won't be long before I master them. I have also met a number of parents and grandparents in the playground and the support and encouragement I have been given made last week particularly enjoyable.

I am already impressed by the hard work and dedication demonstrated by everyone associated with Krishna Avanti. It is clear that I shall be able to build upon the solid foundations already in place to make it an "an even better school".

My priority as Principal is to ensure that KAPSH continues to aim to become an outstanding school where every child can achieve their full potential in their academic, creative, personal, physical, moral and spiritual development. My main aim will be to focus on ensuring that all children learn and make good progress experiencing the highest quality teaching and learning within a happy, safe and secure environment. Embedded in the learning will be our devotion and values.

### **Values of Respect and Self Discipline**

Learning to follow the rules by being a good member of our school

"Let your best shine through"

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK** After prayers at collect worship time, our school assemblies will focus on different core values of character formation – respect, integrity, humility, courage, empathy, gratitude and self- discipline. They will relate to our SEAL curriculum, Social, Emotional, aspects of learning too. The values will also be discussed during circle times throughout the week in class. It would be useful if you could talk about this at home too.

**RAMA NAVAMI** On Friday Miss Ahuja presented an inspiring talk to the children about the important celebration of Lord Rama. She spoke of the important significance of this day, where Lord Rama demonstrated values of being obedient and self- disciplined as a son, brother, husband and King.

During reflection time, the children considered how they could demonstrate high moral values to lead a good life amongst their family, friends and the wider community.



**RECEPTION PLACES OFFER 2016** Mrs Kumar has now sent out all letters regarding admissions. I know it can be an unsettling time if you have not received the news that you were hoping for. Please do not hesitate to contact the office should you require further advice.

**FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT** Well done to our Year 6 Squad who attended a tournament last Thursday morning. The children played with focused determination, resulting in drawing in two matches and losing two. I am pleased to hear that good sportsmanship was demonstrated. We will congratulate our players and share the match report during assembly this week.

**AND FINALLY...**There are lots of exciting things planned for the summer term so we look forward to your continued support. I will be holding an informal Open Forum session (date has yet to be decided). It will be an opportunity for you to get to know me and to contribute towards the future plans for our school. As vital stakeholders your views will be integrated into shaping the vision and values of KAPSH.

Wishing you a good week ahead.

Hare Krishna

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Mrs. Bindu Rai

Principal