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Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week was filled with numerous celebrations.

On Wednesday, the school took part in a memorable worship, where Reception children took part in their first Abhishek marking the importance of Snana Yatra. Year 6 children helped them and marked their last Abhishek at KAPSH. The rest of the school took part by leading the kirtan. Ms Ahuja shared the story of this festival and began to explain the celebration of Rath Yatra, which will be held on Wednesday 21st June.

Children in Nursery have been given the honour and responsibility to look after the deities Jagannath, Balabhadra, Subhadra in their classroom.

We would like you to join us in the important festival. Details will be sent shortly.

Secondly, I hope you found the **Parent Consultation evenings** beneficial towards understanding the progress that has been made to date by your child.

As a listening school we know your views are important, therefore we carried out a third progress meeting. Thank you for your continued support. In addition to this, thank you to those parents who have shown interest in the instrumental Tabla classes.



SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS: We have an extremely talented group of children at KAPSH, with thanks to Mrs Maciel who supported the children to enter 'The BBC2 500' words competition. Unfortunately, our children's work was not successful this time. However, we really appreciated all the hard work the children put into their wonderful narratives.

The school team thought the stories written were great and Mrs Dabasia has beautifully bound them into a book that will be kept in the library so all the children can read them. We selected 4 top stories based on minimal feedback and judged the children upon how original their idea was.

We congratulated Shashank Devaguptapu Class 3A, Nandini Chawla Class 4A, Khushil Varsani Class 6A and Vishnurata Gor Class 6A for their winning entries. The children got an opportunity to read their stories out to the rest of the school during the Headteacher Award assembly and received a book token.

Well done to everybody for their writing efforts.



SHAKESPEARE WEEK ENRICHMENT PERFORMANCES: A wonderful range of skits and dramatic performances entertained the whole school on our dress up day on Thursday. The children were surprised with a twist of humour to see Miss Bell, Mr Patel and Ms Ahuja carry out a battle scene from Romeo and Juliet with splendid style and action.



YEAR 2 RE-ENACTMENT OF THE GREAT FIRE OF LONDON: Amazing learning opportunities continued further with the children in Year 2 participating in a workshop of the Great Fire of London. The Fire Brigade explained how quickly a fire can spread and demonstrated how the fire started on Pudding Lane in 1666. The children had made their very own Tudor houses that were used during the re-enactment.



BIKES AND SCOOTERS: Should you choose to leave your child's bike or scooter on the school premises, it will be on your own merit as the school is not responsible for any damages or theft. Can parents please ensure that all bikes and scooters are taken home when you collect your child and not left on the school premises.

AND FINALLY,

On Friday evening the school held the inaugural School Stakeholder Committee (SSC) meeting. The **Chair Person of the SSC, Mr Vijay Doshi** led the meeting by establishing the shared ethos, vision and values for our Hindu inclusive school.

Committee members were designated to aspects of responsibility roles.

I would like to inform you of the following:

Finance, Premises & Personnel Chair Person: Mr Surya Devaguptapu

Curriculum and Standards Chair Person: Mrs Vandana Dass

Special Educational Needs and Equality Link Member: Mr Arvind Halai

Safeguarding and Child Protection Link Member: Mr Arvind Halai



Please read the website about the SSC and its vital function in supporting the achievement and standards within the school.

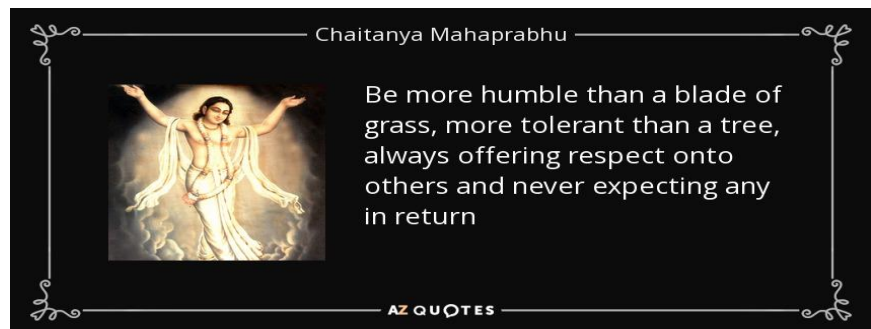
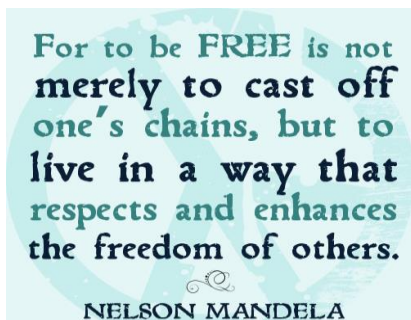


PRE SURVEY FINDINGS Thank you so much to the 49 parents and carers who completed the short questionnaire. Although it wasn't a huge response, the overall findings suggest that the majority of you are happy with the teachings of the Hindu Faith. Please read the power point of the findings that can be found on the website.



There are always areas of improvement and I shall be working with the school and Avanti Trust Team to analyse the findings and ensure we continue to strive for excellence and spiritual development.

One key area to improve is about the teaching of other faiths and religions. I am looking forward to Year 6 pupils sharing their learning across the school this week during INTERFAITH WEEK.



Yours sincerely,
Bindu Rai, Principal

Sherpa Kids - After careful consideration, John Geers (club leader) has decided to no longer host Sherpa Kids at KAPS. Therefore, come the Autumn Term (September 2017) this club will no longer be available and parents will have to look for an alternative arrangement. We are looking at options of hosting a new club and will inform parents if this does take effect.

Parents may wish to note that the government has introduced an additional 30 hours per week of free childcare over 38 weeks. Although this is aimed at children between the ages of 2-4 years, there are other childcare options that parents may be eligible to apply for and parents can check whether they are eligible for a range of government childcare offers, including 30 hours, via Childcare Choices at: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk> or the Childcare Calculator at: <https://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator>

If parents are eligible for 30 hours per week of free childcare (over 38 weeks) or other childcare options you may wish to visit Harrow Council website that has a list of registered child-minders. For ease of reference I've attached the necessary link below. This will allow working parents to make the necessary arrangements for the collection of their children. http://www.harrow.gov.uk/info/200214/childcare_options/265/registered_childminders_in_harrow

PMX - Parentmail - <https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk> - We have moved across to the parent-mail PMX system and parents have been sent a number of emails for registration. If you are experiencing problems in registering, please do email Mrs Natha bhakti.natha@avanti.org.uk or come in to see her in the school office between 8.15am-10.30am – Mrs Natha would be happy to assist.

2017/18 Academic Year School Calendar/Term Dates - Please see link below for the school term dates 2017-2018 academic year. Can parents please note that any holidays or travel arrangements should only be booked during the school holiday period. There are sufficient holidays within academic year for you to make travel arrangements.

We would also like to highlight that the Christmas period is only two weeks. The school monitors attendance closely to ensure that all our children can achieve their full potential and would be grateful for your support.

[Please click here to download the 2017/18 academic year school calendar for Krishna Avanti Primary school.](#)


Pupil Premium: The Pupil Premium is funding from the Department for Education which is additional to the main school funding. It is allocated according to the number of pupils on-roll who are eligible for free school meals (FSM), a smaller amount is allocated according to the number of children of service families, and an allocation for each pupil who has been, "Looked After" (in care) for 6 months or more or a pupil who was adopted in the UK. In our school funds are allocated, for example, to support parents in purchasing school uniform, to support children's achievement and their participation in extra-curricular activities including school trips.

To find out if you qualify for the Pupil Premium Grant, please use the Free School Meals eligibility checker by visiting <http://fsm.lgfl.net> . Once you have accessed the website, you will be able to quickly and easily check if you are entitled. It gives you an immediate "yes" or "no" response and may notify the school. IF YOUR CHILD WAS ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS LAST YEAR, YOU MUST STILL RE –APPLY USING THE ABOVE WEBSITE. It's quick and easy to find out if you are eligible and it only takes a moment! If you are eligible for FSM please inform the school office by email. Please visit the school's website www.avanti.org.uk/kapsharrow to find out further inform



DIARY DATES

Please kindly note the additions made

12/06/17	INTERFAITH WEEK led by Year 6 – We warmly invite all parents and carers to deliver a presentation or a talk or a story about any particular faith for about 8 – 10 minutes. As an inclusive Hindu Faith school, it is important that our children understand and learn about all faiths and beliefs and how they are connected to fundamental British values of respect, tolerance and living in a racially diverse society. Please let you child’s class teacher or myself know if you can contribute to enhancing children’s spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.
14/06/17	Deadline for booking Tabla lessons with Gurdian Rayatt
15/06/17	Empty Classroom Day learning– outdoor learning where lessons are planned outside the classroom
19/06/17	Refugee Week
21/06/17	Rath Yatra celebrations – details to follow
22/06/17	EYFS fundraiser for Great Ormond Street Hospital Baked Cake Sale – details to follow
23/06/17	Year 6 Junior Citizen morning Trip
27/06/17	Nursery Picnic - weather permitting TBC
28/06/17	Sports Day choice 1 weather permitting TBC
29/06/17	Sports Day choice 2 weather permitting TBC
30/06/17	Science Museum Year 4 trip
30/06/17	Year 1 trip to Willows Farm - to be confirmed about the coach costing
09/07/17	SUNDAY FOKAS SUMMER FAIR – save the date, support and help out.
12/07/17	Sports Day choice 3 weather permitting TBC
14/07/17	Year 6 Leavers day trip out - TBA
14/07/17	Annual Pupil Reports go home
17/07/17	Year 5 to visit Wembley Stadium and to meet friends of Sinai Primary School
17/07/17	Parent Open Evening 2.30pm – 5.00pm – a chance to wander around the classrooms to view the learning that has been showcased. A chance to talk to your child’s current class teacher and to meet your child’s new teachers
20/07/17	Year 6 Leavers Graduation and Performance
24/07/17	Children spend time with their new teacher
25/07/17	 Celebration and Goodbye assembly. Break up for the summer holiday