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Dear Parent and Carers,



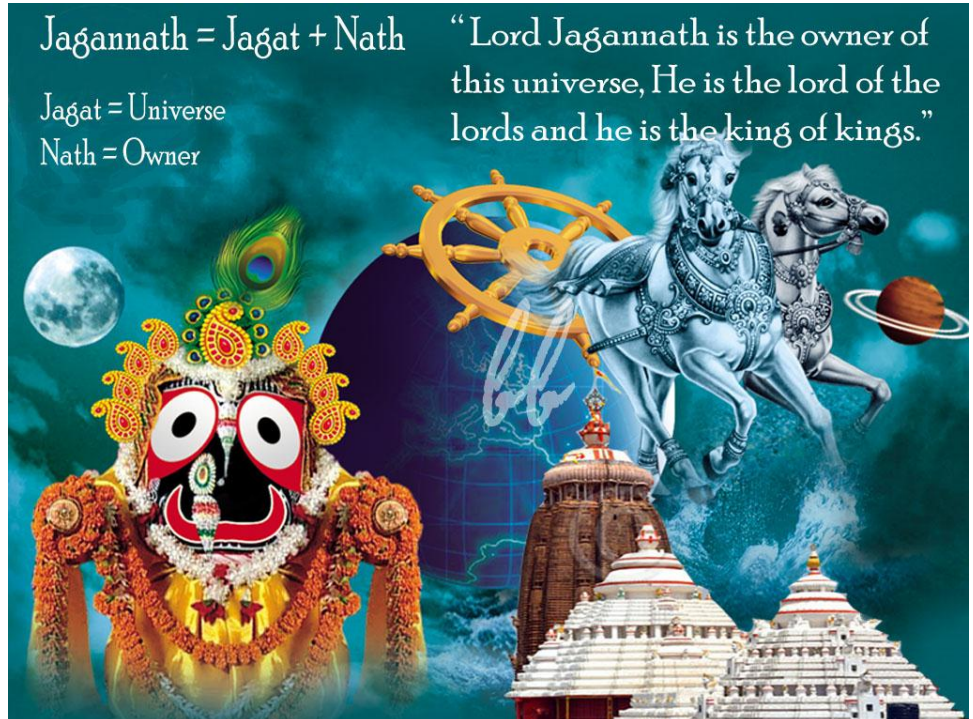
***May Lord Jagannath
Bless you abundantly
and fill your life with
the virtue of truth
Non- violence &
External compassion
Jai Sri Krsna***

We almost cancelled our Rathayatra festival last Thursday due to the heavy rains. However, we decided to continue, the children and staff were dressed beautifully for the occasion, the table of offerings in the temple, our decorated Rath was ready and the sun shone through the clouds so that we could all go out and celebrate the appearance of Lord

Jagannath, Baladeva and Subhadra.

It was a wonderful uplifting experience for everybody, we chanted the maha – mantra.

A special thank you is sent to all our amazing volunteer helpers who led the kirtan to mark the occasion.



Jagannath = Jagat + Nath

Jagat = Universe

Nath = Owner

“Lord Jagannath is the owner of this universe, He is the lord of the lords and he is the king of kings.”

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

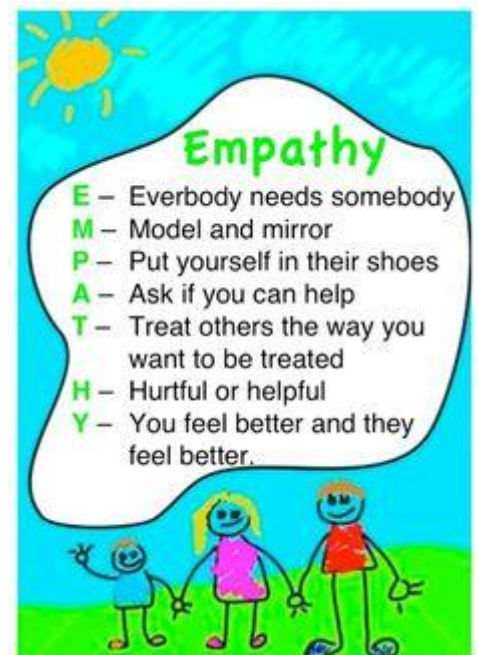
**VALUES of Empathy continued and the
National Summer Reading Challenge starts**

YOGA and MINDFULNESS LESSONS

Key stage 1 have been continuing their learning of the theme empathy. They talked about the type of actions that can be shown when they are empathetic. Besides listening to someone's concerns, giving someone encouragement and caring for someone, they can show empathy by smiling. Mrs Hothi explained that one person who has the biggest smile is Lord Jagannath. Snana Yatra is when He gets bathed before He graces us with His smile on His appearance. He is known as the Lord of the universe and comes to our planet to show us empathy.

Key stage 2 began their session with sun salutations. They continued learning how to sequence yoga postures. As it was International Yoga Day last Tuesday, the children got to create a fun sequence to which they will be adding yoga postures to in every lesson thereafter, until the end of the year!

At the end of the session, the children talked about how Lord Jagannath is a form of Krishna and how He shows empathy to his devotees. The session ended in a savasana, they listened to the story about an empathetic dog from the book, *The Journey Within* by author Radhanath Swami.





**FRIDAY JULY 22nd SUMMER FETE
PLANS
THE FRIENDS OF KRISHNA
AVANTI SCHOOL**



With less than 5 weeks left until the end of this academic year, the diary is jam packed with exciting events to inspire learning. Hopefully your 'Term Dates' are posted on your fridge and our regular messages help to remind you. If you are unsure of activities planned ahead, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or your child's teacher.

We look forward to your help on the last day of term. Please fill in your name on the volunteer list which will be outside your child's class. We are looking for as many class representatives as possible.

The information received can determine which and how many stalls we will be able to run. Once we have a list of helpers, the committee will be in touch. Even if you are able to help for just a short time, every little bit helps. This is a great opportunity in supporting our school, for parents to get to know each other and work with FOKAS, and build on the great support we have had at previous events.

If you have any specialist skills like face painting, mehndi or nail painting please let us know too. Please leave your name & contact number at the school office

Please sign up on the list outside your child's classroom to help!

We are hoping to have the following stalls:

**Food/drinks Supervising inflatable rides Mini Games Supervising Cricket
Tombola Cake Sale Second hand toys and books Mendhi Raffle
Face painting Temporary Tattoos Nail art Craft stall Enterprising Stall
created by each of the classes**

It is wonderful for the children to have their families/ friends involved in the event which makes the day even more enjoyable for all. Thanking you in advance for your cooperation towards making happy memories for our school community.

SAFEGUARDING – KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE IN SCHOOL I want to follow up on numerous questions raised about the school security.

As Principal of KAPSH, the safety of all children in my care is my primary concern. The school team want to ensure that an adult is responsible for collecting a child at the end of the day. I know you may feel it a hindrance discovering the gates are closed after 2.45pm and are required to wait outside the school premises until after school clubs have finished. Please understand this is a security measure put in place.

Firstly, please can I ask that your contact details are kept up to date and your club leader as well as the school office are notified of any changes immediately.

Can I also assure you that Health, Safety and Security will always be given the highest priority at KAPSH.

However high we believe our standards to be, there will always be areas that can be further improved upon and we consistently review safety procedures and training within the school. Sadly, our children are growing up in a world that requires us, as adults, to be vigilant and cautious whilst at the same time; balancing the need and necessity for children to feel happy, safe and secure.

You may recall a letter about this matter sent out in November by Mrs Sahni and a separate letter by Mark Chishty Commander, Community Engagement Metropolitan Police Service who wrote about this matter.

There is clear guidance in our policy that details how we react to keep children safe. Policies and procedures are rigorously checked and monitored, both internally and through external audits.

During the summer, we are planning to improve the entrance of the school with an alternative security gate system. We shall also be considering installing an upgraded CCTV system. Further details will follow nearer the time and the collection procedures.

I hope you will appreciate that more than ever; we need to be united in our partnership to do what is best for our children and ensure they are our primary focus.



The country decided...EU Referendum... As the EU debate took nationwide, the Year 4, 5 & 6 team thought it only right the children could have their say too. The children joined in class discussions around both sides of the EU debate. KAPSH then held its own 'referendum', to allow the children to voice their opinion and get involved. Please ask

your children all about the conversations they have had in school about the referendum – perhaps they will even share with you the way they voted!

Involving the children in school makes for a great conversation starter at home, it's a great way to get the whole family involved in an issue that will have far reaching impact on us all. It is not our place to influence your vote one way or another – however I do feel it is important that school raises awareness of the significance of the EU Referendum and encourage our children to ask questions. Whatever your political bias; our children are growing up in a country that celebrates free choice and democracy - and the referendum is a fine example of this. I am proud we have inquisitive minds at KAPSH, children who want to ask questions and seek to find out more about what is happening not only on their door step and in their community, but across the whole country.



Summer Diary Dates are set out below:

15/06/16	After School Clubs for Autumn term booking commences – Please make sure you book early to avoid disappointment
28/06/16	Nursery Picnic
28/06/16	Reception Sports day weather permitting
29/06/16	KS 1 Sports Day weather permitting
29/06/16	Year R2 London Aquarium visit
30/06/16	KS 2 Sports Day weather permitting
30/06/16	Year R1 London Aquarium visit
01/07/16	Year 5 visit Sacred Heart Primary School
04/07/16	Year 6 Enterprise Week commences
04/07/16	Year 5 and Year 6 Road Safety Workshop
04/07/16	New parent induction meeting
05/07/16	New children transition afternoon
05/07/16	Uniform supplier on site. If you would like to check the correct size and try on the samples before you purchase uniform online please come to the school office from 2 pm - 2:45pm. Please be aware that we will not be selling the uniform.
05/07/16	Year 4 & 5 rehearsal - I'll Be There at Avanti House Primary
07/07/16	Netball match with Pinner Park after school TBC
08/07/16	Year 6 Help Yourself Day
11/07/16	Annual Pupil Reports out to Parents
11/07/16	Year 4 & 5 rehearsal - I'll Be There at Avanti House Primary
12/07/16 and 14/07/16	Drop in Parent Consultation Evening
13/07/16	Chess assembly KS2
14/07/16	Drop in Parent Consultation Evening
15/07/16	Year 6 Leavers Enrichment Trip
Sunday 17/07/16	<p>Central London Rathayatra Festival starts at 11.30am – 5.00pm</p> <p>AND "I'll Be There" Production at the Royal Festival Hall – Year 4 and Year 5 to perform at this prestigious venue. Tickets can be purchased via the school. See the website for details</p> <div data-bbox="113 1453 458 1953" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="531 1606 1340 2143" data-label="Image"> </div>
18/07/16	Year 2 visit Kew Gardens

18/07/16	R, Y1 Singing assembly 8.30am
20/07/16	Music Assembly Performance Recorder Year 3 and Year 4 Class 2A and 2B Violin Music
20/07/16	Year 6 Leavers Performance and Graduation
22/07/16	Last day for the academic year Mufti Non uniform day School closes at 12 noon followed by ... FOKAS SUMMER CELEBRATION FETE 12 noon onwards – Details to follow We look forward to your support at this event.

AND FINALLY, a few reminders

Sports Days ... are this week. Please ensure pupils have the correct kit, a water bottle, a hat and sun cream if required.

Our School website is <http://www.avanti.org.uk/kapsharrow>

National Summer Reading Challenge

Join up at your local library and be part of the nation's biggest reading scheme for children aged 4 – 11



years!

The challenge is to finish reading 6 books to be awarded a medal and certificate.

The theme for this year's Summer Reading Challenge is The Big Friendly Read and celebrates 100 years since the birth of Roald Dahl.

The challenge runs from Saturday 16 July to Saturday 10 September.

Pick up the children's summer leaflet for events over the holidays from your local library or visit ccslibraries.com to download a copy.

EVOLVE SUMMER CAMP Have you thought about this yet? The Summer Camp Evolve is a



new exciting initiative. Although it is only for one week, if the interest is great then it will be extended. In addition to this, the company are hoping to launch a Saturday Club in the autumn. Please contact the company on the details found on the flyer.

Wishing you a good week ahead.

Bindu Rai

Mrs. Bindu Rai, Principal