



School Newsletter

"If the children are given a Krishna Conscious education from early childhood, then there is great hope for the future of the world" ~A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada



School principal's message,

Term 1 has been an engaging and busy term with spiritual festivals and getting back into on-site learning after a much longer than usual holiday! We have a lot of learning events and activities happening currently and will be sharing these with you, both on Hero weekly and consistently term by term in this school newsletter.

We are very fortunate to have a new teacher with us full time in our Outdoor Classroom and this has definitely been a highlight this term with the clay work, fire-making, bee hotels and such. The students have had the chance to explore more of the New Varshana farm safely and through a 'new lense'. More on that shortly...

I hope that this newsletter, sharing some of the significant events from this last term keeps you well informed and brings you joy.

Yours in the service of Srila Prabhupada,
Dharma- setu Das



"Everything should be done on the basis of love. Strictness is not very good. The students should act automatically, out of love, That is wanted."
~ Srila Prabhupada



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IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES FOR TERM 2

Term 2: Tue 3rd May - Fri 8th July

Sunday, 15 May 2022: Nrsimha

Caturdasi: Appearance of Lord

Nrsimhadeva



MEET OUR NEWEST STAFF MEMBERS...



Ravina Devi
Bal Gopal Class
New Entrants



Julia Kosterman
Prabhupada Class
Year 3



Sudharma D.D
Gaura Nitai Class
Years 7-10



Ian Thompson
Tech & Outdoor
Classroom Teacher

A VISIT TO OUR OUTDOOR CLASSROOM!



Ian Thompson has a world of experience in many fields, one of these being, a scout leader. Ian loves to take the children out exploring on New Varshana farm and teaching them how to utilise natural resources that are growing right here on the property. The children have made some bamboo bee hotels to keep bees safe, they have created structures out of bamboo and they have created huts using branches. Other things the students have done this term is, clay work and char coal/cloth making.

Ian is expert at all things outdoorsy and has many other awesome things planned for next term!



Krishna Balaram Class down in the Enchanted Forest.



Bee Hotel making with Prabhuapada Class.



Gaura Nitai Class learnt to build structures from bamboo!

GAURA PURNIMA AT THE HARE KRISHNA SCHOOL



Above: Jagannatha Class performed a bhajan.



Above: Abhishek for Gaura Nitai which everyone participated in.

Below: Jagannatha Class's offerings to Sri Gaura Nitai.



We held a beautiful celebration of Gaura Purnima earlier this term. Sudharma mataji arranged for a small abhishek of the class 7 Gaura Nitai deities which was very special as the children did all the preparation, bathing and dressing of the deities. We had some kirtan and everyone present had the great fortune to bathe their lordships.

After this, the whole school went over to the temple for kirtan.

The celebrations were wrapped up nicely with sumptuous prasadam for everyone. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the glorious arrival of Sri Caitanya.



Above: Krishna Balaram class girls in their devotional attire.

Below: Gaura Nitai class' boys leading kirtan.

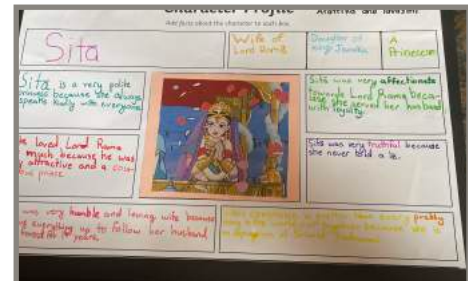


RAM NAVAMI AT THE HARE KRISHNA SCHOOL



Our temple festival deities of Lord Rama, Lakshman, Sita Devi and Hanuman.

On the very last week of term 1, We got to celebrate the glorious event of Ram Navami together as a school. Each class did their own activities and then the whole school went to the temple where they were told a story by Dharma Prabhu and danced in kirtan altogether. It was wonderful and here are some pictures!



Offerings by Bal Gopal class and Jagantha class.



Above: Dharma-Sets Prabhu's address to the school.

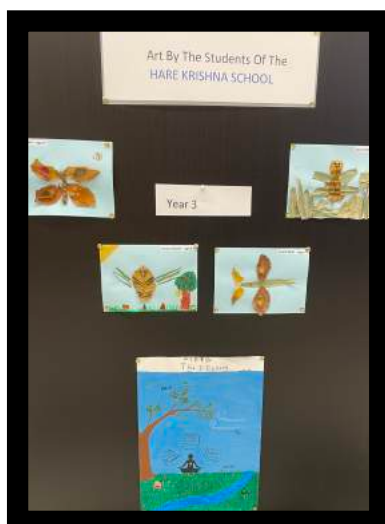
Left: Krishna Balaram class's puppet show on the pastimes of Lord Rama.



STUDENT ARTWORK



This term we had the opportunity to display some of our student's artwork in the Massey Northwest School's Art Exhibition. Each class was represented on a different panel. Here are some pictures from the event...



REPORTING AN ABSENCE OR LATE ARRIVAL

If your child will be absent or late for school, please use the following methods, in order of preference:

- 1) Report an absence using your Hero App. If your child is late, they will need to report to the office on arrival.
- 2) Alternatively, you can call the office on: (09) 412 6325 or email at: admin@harekrishna.school.nz

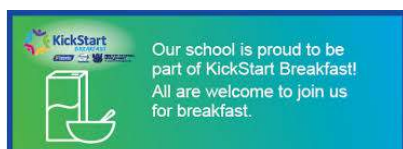


SCHOOL BREAKFAST FREE FOR ALL STUDENTS.

Available Tues-Fri between
8:10am-8:20am

No need to opt in.

Students will need to bring a bowl and a spoon.



SCHOOL LUNCH

\$4 per day,
Everyday except Monday!



Please make sure your child brings an empty container, a spoon and morning tea.

If you haven't yet opted your child in for school lunch and you would like to, please contact Amrta Pani mataji at admin@harekrishna.school.nz



CLASSROOM POLICY

We humbly ask you to please support teachers by not remaining in the classroom without prior arrangement after dropping your child off to school in the morning. This is an important time for teachers to prepare for the morning lessons, connect with children as they arrive and to start punctually. Thank you for your consideration.



