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### Srila Prabhupada on Gurukula :-

Try as far as possible to discipline them with love and affection, so that they develop a taste for austerity of life and think it great fun to serve Krishna in many ways. Rising early and mangal arati, this is enough austerity. Besides that, let them learn something, chant, dance, eat as much prasadam as they like, and do not mind if they have playful nature—let them also play and run, that is natural. It is nice if they eat often—if children overeat it doesn't matter, that is no mistake. Boys and girls should be educated separately.

72-01-10 Letter: Aniruddha

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## Patron of Education Activities

### Vraj Outreach Program @ Paani Gaon

The team of students of BGIS who are self motivated and with full of enthusiasm conducted another program at Paani Gaon on 21st April. The program included various spiritual activities along with personal academic classes. The principal of primary school of Paani Gaon was very happy and asked if we can visit them atleast twice a month.

#### Our Vision

Children are the future of a nation. For an emerging and developing country like India, development of underprivileged children holds the key to the progress of the nation itself. The vision of village outreach program is to cultivate the villagers of Vraja by educating them to cultivate vaishnava etiquettes, reading scriptures, fulfilling the youth requirements etc. Also scholarships will be provided to bright village students to give them privilege to study in Bhaktivedanta Gurukula and International School (BGIS).

We welcome the voluntary contribution of everyone to help us in the project. Either by donations or by your physical presence, we can make Srila Prabhupada's dream to establish Vedic culture among youngsters. We would also like to thank our donors for their contribution for our project.



The kids of BGIS performing harinam sankirtan at Pani Gaon.



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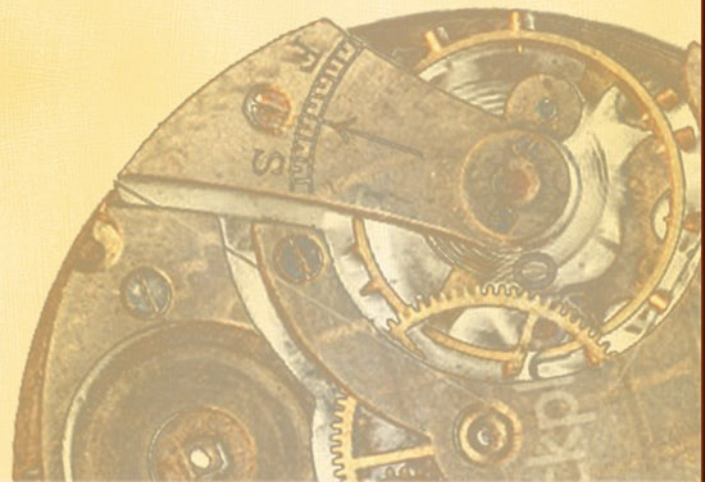
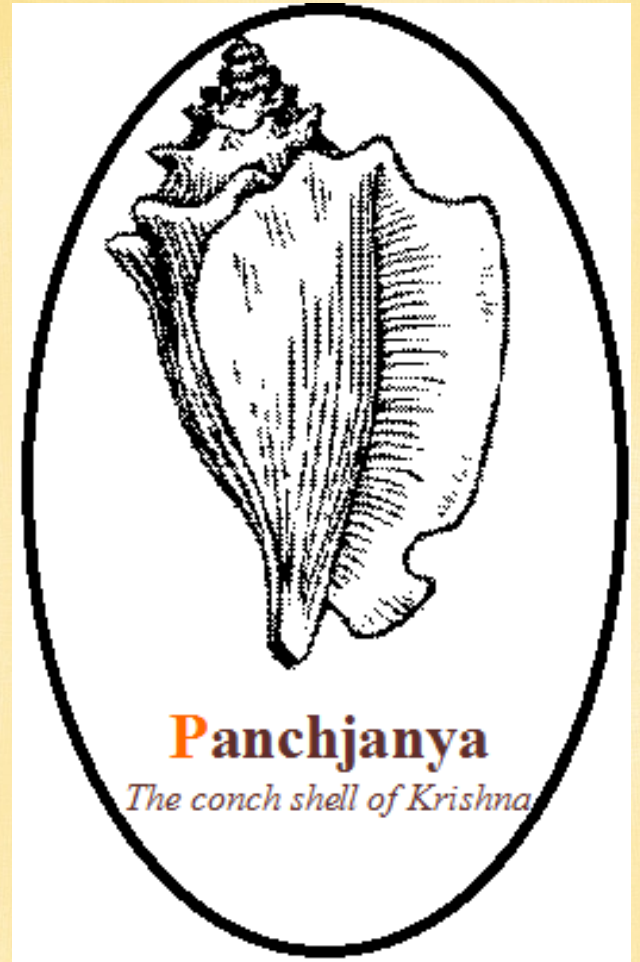
## **Panchjanya**

*The conch of Krishna...*

**prthivi te ache yatha nagar adi gram,  
sarvatra prachar hoibe mor naam.**

The prediction of Sri Caintanya Mahaprabhu came true when Srila Prabhupada went abroad to spread His movement in the whole world. The missionary Srila Prabhupada had established 108 temples throughout this world in 12 years of period which have increased to more than 600 temples all over the world. That the conditioned soul be engaged in the service of The Lordship is the main desire of a true devotee of the Lord. Sometimes He comes Himself to spread His glories and sometimes He sends His associates. Those empowered associates shower their mercy on everyone without any discrimination. They dream to spread the glories of The Lord for no matter whatever the situation exist for them.

Following the footsteps of our most beloved Srila Prabhupada, the team of Patron of Education has formed another domain called Panchjanya- the conch shell of Krishna. The team has expertise to communicate the science of Krishna Consciousness among the corporate, engineering , management colleges etc. The purpose of this team is to establish spiritual and ethical environment in corporate and colleges by conducting courses on Stress Management, Time Management, Conflict Resolution, Behavioral Training etc. By taking references from different scriptures like Srimad Bhagvatam, Bhagvad Gita, Bible, Koran etc, the team teaches the essence of life among students, middle management, upper managements etc.



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# Gurukula Times

## A tearful goodbye to our students

A grand farewell party was organized on the premises of Bhaktivedanta Gurukula and International School, Vrindavan on Sunday 1st April, 2012 (auspicious day of Ram Navami). The party was given by 11th graders to bid adieu to 12th Graders (Final Year). Spirits soared high as all the students of Gurukula along with chief guests and teaching staff jointly participated in this party making the environment completely charged with energy & enthusiasm.

The celebration started with manglacharan followed by individual speeches by students, teachers and their parents about their experiences with school. Tears were flowing from their eyes while kids were watching their old pictures of the memorable moments which they had shared with each other. The night became memorable with the ecstatic kirtan by BB Govinda and motivational speeches by Dr. Lilapurushottam (Director -BGIS), H.G Panchguada (Temple president -ISKCON Vrindavan), H.G



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### Prayers to Lord Ramachandra By:- Goswami Tulasi Dasa

(1)

**Shri Ramachandra kripalu bhaju mana, harana bhava bhaya darunam |  
Nava kanja lochana kanja mukha, kara kanja pada kanjarunam ||**

Praise Lord Sri Ram, o Heart! for he removes the fear of cycles of birth and death and other perils. His eyes , face, hands and legs are all like freshly blossomed lotuses.

(2)

**Kandarpa aganitha amita chavi, nava neela neerada sundaram |  
pata peetha manahu taditha ruchi suchi, navmi janaka suthavaram ||**

Praise Lord Ram, whose beauty is unparalleled by even countless cupids, whose body is a beautiful blue cloud, whose garb gleams like lightning, and who is married to the daughter of Janaka.

(3)

**Bhaju deena bandhu dinesh danava, daitya vansha nikandanam |  
Raghunanda anand kanda koushala chanda dasaratha nandanam ||**

Sing the glory of the lord, who is the upholder of the poor, and who vanquished the demonic races. He is the moon of queen Koushalya and the dearest to the King Dasaratha.

(4)

**Shira mukuta kundala thilaka charu, udara anga vibushanam |  
Aajanu bhuja sharachaap dhara, sangrama jita khara dushanam ||**

Praise Lord Ram, who wears a crown, adorned with ear rings, thilak on his forehead, and who is decorated with jewellery. He who has long arms , who bears a bow and arrow and defeated Khar – Dushan in battle.



(5)

**Iti vadati tulasidas shankara, sesha muni mana ranjanam |  
mama hruday kunja nivas kuru, kamaadi khala dhala gan-  
janam ||**

Tulasidas proclaims, O! Lord you have filled the hearts of Lord Shiva, Adishesha and Saints with bliss. Please reside in my heart and expurgate the inferior feelings of desire and such like.

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## Let's learn from a story



Once upon a time all feelings and emotions went to a coastal island for a vacation. According to their nature, each was having a good time. Suddenly, a warning of an impending storm was announced and everyone was advised to evacuate the island.

The announcement caused sudden panic. All rushed to their boats.

Even damaged boats were quickly repaired and commissioned for duty. Yet, Love did not wish to flee quickly. There was so much to do. But as the clouds darkened, Love realised it was time to leave. Alas, there were no boats to spare. Love looked around with hope.

Just then Prosperity passed by in a luxurious boat. Love shouted, "Prosperity, could you please take me in your boat?"

"No," replied Prosperity, "my boat is full of precious possessions, gold and silver. There is no place for you."

A little later Vanity came by in a beautiful boat. Again Love shouted, "Could you help me, Vanity? I am stranded and need a lift. Please take me with you."

Vanity responded haughtily, "No, I cannot take you with me. My boat will get soiled with your muddy feet."

Sorrow passed by after some time. Again, Love asked for help. But it was to no avail. "No, I cannot take you with me. I am so sad. I want to be by myself."

When Happiness passed by a few minutes later, Love again called for help. But Happiness was so happy that it did not look around, hardly concerned about anyone.

Love was growing restless and dejected. Just then somebody called out, "Come Love, I will take you with me."

Love did not know who was being so magnanimous, but jumped on to the boat, greatly relieved that she would reach a safe place.

On getting off the boat, Love met Knowledge. Puzzled, Love inquired, "Knowledge, do you know who so generously gave me a lift just when no one else wished to help?"

Knowledge smiled, "Oh, that was Time."

"And why would Time stop to pick me and take me to safety?" Love wondered.

Knowledge smiled with deep wisdom and replied, "Because only Time knows your true greatness and what you are capable of. Only Love can bring peace and great happiness in this world."

### Moral of the story

"The important message is that when we are prosperous, we overlook love. When we feel important, we forget love. Even in happiness and sorrow we forget love. Only with time do we realize the importance of love.

Love which we see around is perverted reflection of real love which exists in the abode of The Lord. Why wait that long? Why not make love a part of your life today?"

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## We would like to thank our Patrons

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*Be a patron of education and help  
us to make a new future.*



### Thanks and Regards

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