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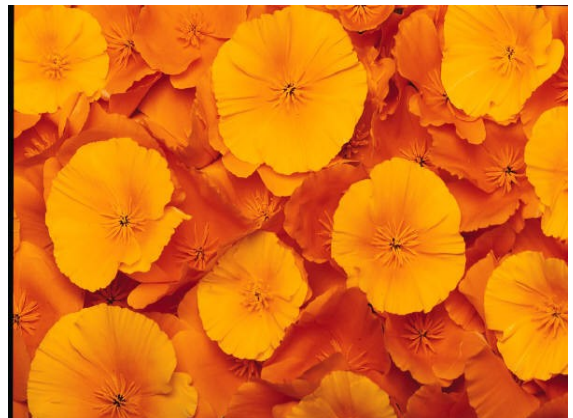
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*Bhaktivedanta
Gurukula family
wishes you a very
Happy New Year*



better people, better world

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The most awaited event for Gurukula students as well as teachers is annual sports day.



Like every year, BGIS had organized spiritual as well as academic trip for students. This time we'd set up our camp in Surat. Accompanied by H.G Lila Purushottam Prabhu, the trip was with full of cultural programs and academic presentations.

Gurukula Times

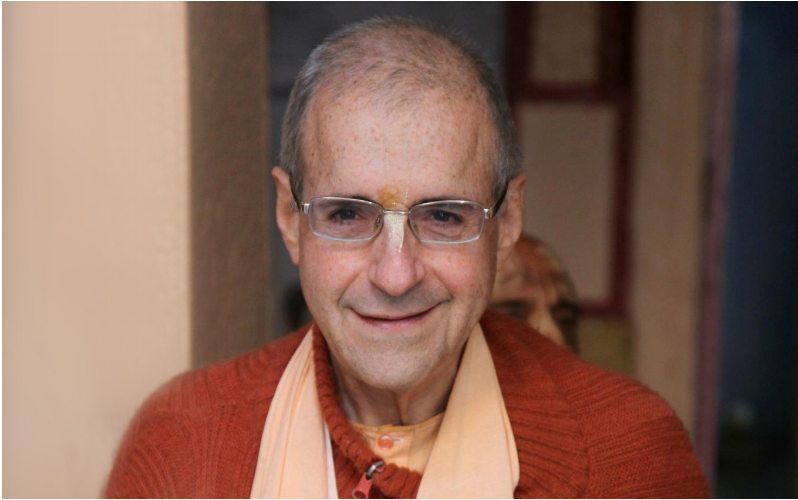
Maths Camp at Barsana



That's how we welcome New Year

Without disco and liquors, the wild Gurukula kids welcomed new year by performing Kir-tan on New Year eve in Gurukula with camp fire.





20th December 2013 was a very auspicious day when the students and staff members of The Bhaktivedanta Gurukul got association of His Holiness Giriraj Swami Maharaj . His Holiness joined ISKCON in the year 1969 . Latter Srila Prabhupad appointed him as the president of

the Mumbai Iskcon project as well as the trustee of the Bhaktivedanta Book Trust .

The HOD of the Public relations and Resource Generation Mother Anita Khetrupal arranged everything. She requested His Holiness to come to Gurukul and inspire us to serve the mission of Srila Prabhupad .

Srila Prabhupad said “Krishna Consciousness is not an artificial imposition on the mind but it’s the natural propensity of the living soul” , this became evident when we saw how affectionately His Holiness spoke to the students and the staff members . At first he was received with an ecstatic kirtan by the students. Maharajji was so happy with the Kirtan that he requested the boys to even sing after his speech was over . He spoke about his experiences with Srila Prabhupad in Mumbai . Also he shared how fortunate the students were , that they were living in Vrindavan Dham with the devotees and are not affected by material contaminations . He also mentioned that outsiders are very impressed by the devotional qualities of the students of Gurukul . After his speech a few students like Radharam ,Shaswat and Priyank of grade eleven and Sushmit of grade twelve asked different questions . Maharaj was very happy to see their inquisitiveness . After that HisHoliness distributed sweet Prasad to all the students and staff members . Krishna shows his mercy through His devotees and that’s what was happening in Gurukul . Everyone was overwhelmed with joy and offered Maharaj their greetings . Maharaj then took a tour of the entire Primary Grade . He entered each and every class rooms and heard the students chanting the slokas of Bhagavad Gita and Brahma Samhita . The children also gifted him with nice sketches and paintings . After meeting everyone Maharaj then proceeded towards the temple for other activities .

BGIS will always remember this day and will cherish the moments spend with His Holiness . May the Lord and His pure devotees always shower their choicest blessings on the members of this institution .

Hare Krishna

Let's Pray

Jay Radha Girivardhari



(1)

jaya radha giri-vara dhari, sri nanda-nandana vrsabhanu-dulari

(vrsabhanu dulari radhe vrsabhanu-dulari)

(2)

mora-mukuta mukha murali jori, veni viraje mukhe hasi thori

(3)

unaki sohe gale vana-mala, inaki motima-mala ujala

(4)

pitambara jaga-jana-mana mohe, nila udhani bani unaki sohe

(5)

aruna carane mani-mashjira baoye, sri-krsna-das tahin mana bhaoye

Let's learn from a story

II The Mouse Trap II



A mouse looked through the crack in the wall to see the farmer and his wife open a package.

"What food might this contain?" the mouse wondered. He was devastated to discover it was a mousetrap.

Retreating to the farmyard, the mouse proclaimed the warning: "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!"

The chicken clucked and scratched, raised her head and said "Mr. Mouse, I can tell this is a grave concern to you, but it is of no consequence to me. I cannot be bothered by it."

The mouse turned to the pig and told him "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mouse-trap in the house!" The pig sympathized, but said "I am so very sorry, Mr. Mouse, but there is nothing I can do about it but pray. Be assured you are in my prayers."

The mouse turned to the cow and said "There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!" The cow said "Wow, Mr. Mouse. I'm sorry for you, but it's no skin off my nose."

So, the mouse returned to the house, head down and dejected, to face the farmer's mousetrap alone.

That very night a sound was heard throughout the house - like the sound of a mousetrap catching its prey. The farmer's wife rushed to see what was caught. In the darkness, she did not see it was a venomous snake whose tail the trap had caught. The snake bit the farmer's wife. The farmer rushed her to the hospital and she returned home with a fever.

Everyone knows you treat a fever with fresh chicken soup, so the farmer took his hatchet to the farmyard for the soup's main ingredient. But his wife's sickness continued, so friends and neighbors came to sit with her around the clock. To feed them, the farmer butchered the pig. The farmer's wife did not get well; she died. So many! people came for her funeral, the farmer had the cow slaughtered to provide enough meat for all of them.

The mouse looked upon it all from his crack in the wall with great sadness. So, the next time you hear someone is facing a problem and think it doesn't concern you, remember: when one of us is threatened, we are all at risk. We are all involved in this journey called life. We must keep an eye out for one another and make an extra effort to encourage one another. Each of us is a vital thread in another person's tapestry.



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