# Bhaktivedanta Gurukula & International School, Vrindavan

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## Happy Hare Krsna New Year to you & your family

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# Admissions open For IInd to IXth and XIth

We will be having the "Parents
Students Orientation Session" which
includes the assessment and interview
for the admission.

Registration fee for "Parents
Students Orientation Session": 1000/Rupees or 60 US\$ or 40 Euro
(Including assessment fee)

Dates: 23rd Dec 2012(Sunday), 27th Jan 2013(Sunday) & 10th Feb 2013 (Sunday)

Venue : BGIS Campus (next to ISKCON Temple), Raman Reti, Vrindavan, UP

Timing: 10.00 AM Sharp

Hare Krsna Hare Krsna Krsna Hare Hare Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Hare Hare

#### **Gurukula Times**

#### Department of Resource Generation and Public Relation

The pre-existing Patron of Education Department has been expanded into a full fledged department. Mrs. Anita Kheterpal who has been serving the school almost 8 years as Academic Director is the new head of department (H.OD).

The former director of POE department Rohit Gupta appointed as chief coordinator and Narsimha Das as coordinator. The activities of the department would extend from raising fund for under privilege kids to over all development of the new project of Gurukula. (You can write her or leave your comments to her at anitabgis@yahoo.co.in or call her @ +91 735 154 9222)





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# National Creativity Olympiad





Another big success came in the account of Bhaktivedanta Gurukula & International School. The Department of Management studies, IIT Delhi conducted two examinations namely National Creativity Olympiad (NCO) and National Test for Emotional Intelligence (NTEI).

From BGIS Devavrat Wagle of Grade 8 won the third position in NCO. Around more than 100 top schools from different parts of India participated in the examination. Our teachers especially Nitya Mukund Das and Amit Shrivastav worked hard for this competition. We are very grateful for their wonderful service.

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# Geeta Jayanti







# **Sports Day Celebration**









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### Sri Namashtakam By:- Bhakti Vinod Thakur

(1)

jaya jaya harinam, cidanandamrta-dham, para-tattva aksara-akar nija-jane krpa kori', nama-rupe avatari', jive doya korile apar

(2)

jaya `hari', `krsna', `ram', jaga-janasuvisram, sarva-jana-manasa-ranjana muni-vrnda nirantar, je namera samadar, kori' gay bhoriya vadana

(3)

ohe krsna-namaksar, tumi sarva-sakti-dhar, jivera kalyana-vitarane toma vina bhava-sindhu, uddharite nahi bandhu, asiyacho jiva-uddharane

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ache tapa jive jata, tumi saba koro hata, helaya tomare eka-bar dake jadi kono jan, ho'ye din akincan, nahi dekhi' anya pratikar

(5)

tava svalpa-sphurti pay, ugra-tapa dure jay, linga-bhanga hoy anayase bhakativinoda koy, jaya harinama jay, pade' thaki tuwa pada-ase

- (1) All glories, all glories to the holy name, the abode of immortal transcendental bliss. The Supreme Absolute Truth, who possesses an eternal form, has descended in the form of the holy name. He shows mercy to His devotees and shows boundless compassion and kindness to all fallen souls.
- (2) All glories to the Supreme Personality of Godhead who is called by different names such as Hari, Krsna and Rama. He is the auspicious resting place of all living entities within the universe, and He delights the minds of all souls. Great sages, honoring His holy name, constantly sing that holy name, filling their mouths with the sound.
- (3) O eternal holy name of Krishna, You possess all powers and bestow auspiciousness upon the living beings. Without You there is no other friend to deliver us from the ocean of material existence. You have come for the deliverance of all fallen souls.
- (4) For all souls within this world there is much misery and sorrow. O Harinam, if someone calls upon You just one time, feeling himself very meek and lowly, possessing nothing and seeing no other remedy for his relief, You then easily destroy all his sorrows.
- (5) If one simply obtains a slight reflection or glimmer of You, then all sorts of terrible miseries disappear. Thakura Bhaktivinoda says, "All glories, all glories to the holy name of Lord Hari! O Harinam, I perpetually fall at Your lotus feet."

After years of searching, the seeker was told to go to a cave, in which he would find a well. 'Ask the well what is truth', he was advised, 'and the well will reveal it to you'. Having found the well, the seeker asked that most fundamental question. And from the depths came the answer, 'Go to the village crossroad: there you shall find what you are seeking'. Full of hope and anticipation the man ran to the crossroad to find only three rather uninteresting shops. One shop was selling pieces of metal, another sold wood, and thin wires were for sale in the third. Nothing and no one there seemed to have much to do with the revelation of truth.

Disappointed, the seeker returned to the well to demand an explanation, but he was told only, 'You will understand in the future.' When the man protested, all he got in return were the echoes of his own shouts. Indignant for having been made a fool of - or so he thought at the time - the seeker continued his wanderings in search of truth. As years went by, the memory of his experience at the well gradually faded until one night, while he was walking in the moonlight, the sound of sitar music caught his attention. It was wonderful music and it was played with great mastery and inspiration.

#### Let's learn from a story

# The seeker of truth

Profoundly moved, the truth seeker felt drawn towards the player. He looked at the fingers dancing over the strings. He became aware of the sitar itself. And then suddenly he exploded in a cry of joyous recognition: the sitar was made out of wires and pieces of metal and wood just like those he had once seen in the three stores and had thought it to be without any particular significance.

At last he understood the message of the well: we have already been given everything we need: our task is to assemble and use it in the appropriate way. Nothing is meaningful so long as we perceive only separate fragments. But as soon as the fragments come together into a synthesis, a new entity emerges, whose nature we could not have foreseen by considering the fragments alone.



Hare Krsna Hare Krsna Krsna Hare Hare Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare



