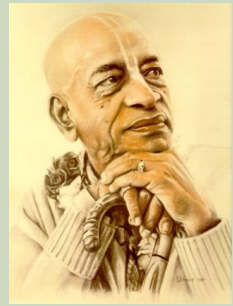




News Letter *Week 7, Term 1*

"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 Srila Prabhupada



Dear Parents

The term is going by very quickly—already we are in week 7 of the term. The start of the year is a critical time for students as they set goals and establish routines. It is also an important time for developing a positive relationship with teachers and for teachers to identify their students' learning needs. The children have made an excellent start to the year, laying a positive foundation for effective learning to occur. It was also wonderful to meet many of the parents at the teachers' evening in week 2. Your continued support is a valuable part of their future success and wellbeing, and we look forward to discussing your child's learning with you in Week 10 this term at parent conferences.

Your servant,
Krsnananda Das (Principal)

UNIFORM Please see photos below for correct uniform items available at school office.



School Uniform

We are excited to inform you that we have found a NZ based uniform supplier that is willing to produce our schools special character uniform.

From Term 3 we will be able to provide you a constant supply of high quality school uniforms.

Until this time we expect all children to come to school in the current school uniform tops and pants. We do still have a small supply of the current school pants and tops. **These items are now available for just \$10 each.**

Below is a list of the sizes available:

Girls Tops

1 x 24, 5 x 26, 4 x 28, 4 x S(adults), 1 x M(adults)

Girls Pants

8 x 28, 3 x 30, 1 x 32, 7 x S (adults)

Girls long skirts

2 x 30, 1 x 32

Boys Tops

1 x 28, 2 x 32, 6 x XS(adults), 4 x S(adults)

Boys Pants

Various sizes

These will be sold on a 'first in first served' basis so please send your child with cash to purchase these as soon as possible.

If we do not have the sizes needed for your child the school does permit navy tops and navy loose pants until Term 3. **Please note that tights are NOT acceptable uniform pants.** If your child does not have a school jumper they are expected to wear a navy jersey, fleece or cardigan. Coloured jumpers are not permitted.

When the new uniform becomes available we will have a transition period from one uniform to the other, so any items you purchase now can still be used after term 3.

We thank you for your patience and understanding over this period of uniform change.

Please call the office if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you to those parents who have come on board with our new communication app. Many of you will have been receiving updates and photos from your child's class teacher on what is happening in your child's classroom. Soon, all communications from the school will be received via this app. This is a quick and easy way to receive alerts from the school and classroom teachers, information about events, newsletters, bus info and more. You can see what's happening in your child's classroom, as teachers will post news and photos too. Use the app to communicate with the school and teachers, complete forms and make payments. Please see the instructions below to install the app on your phone. If you have any further questions about how to install and use the app, please contact Manada through the school office or email Manada@harekrishna.school.nz.

FREE school app

Receive school information, instantly and directly to your smartphone



How to get the School Stream app on your mobile device

From your mobile device go to the App Store (iPhone/iPad) or Play Store (Android), search for School Stream and download the app to your phone.

Make sure you agree to **push notifications**

Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type your schoolname into the search then select your school. For more detailed instructions go to **school-stream.com.au/download**

Choose what notifications you receive

Open the School Stream app on your mobile device

From the slide-in menu, go to Settings

Under Edit/Alerts select My Schools and select your School to open the Notifications page

Toggle notifications on or off individually (e.g. Alerts, Events, Newsletters, etc.)

When you have finished, use the Back button to return to the Settings page, then select Done to return to your School

Don't have a smartphone?

If we do not hear from you by the end of week two, we will assume that you have installed the app and are receiving communications this way. If you don't have access to a smartphone and require information to be delivered via traditional methods (printed notices & email), please e-mail the office (admin@harekrishna.school.nz) with:

Your child's name

and

Please be informed we wish to receive information from the school by traditional methods because:

I don't have access to a smartphone (e.g. iPhone, Android, etc.)

I prefer not to receive information from the school on my smartphone

Other (please specify) _____

Safety Reminder

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason please let the school know. We endeavour to get the registers checked by 9.00am, so if your child is marked absent and we have not heard from you, please expect the school to contact you by 10.00am at the latest, regarding your child's absence.

If you are picking your child up during school hours for whatever reason, please report to the school office to sign your child out. We are obligated to ensure the safety of your child at school, therefore it is important that the school is kept informed.

Class Photos Term Two

We are pleased to inform parents that we will be having class, sibling and individual photos taken at the beginning of next term by a professional photographer from Photolife. All orders and payments will take place online.

Please ensure that your child is sent to school with correct uniform for his or her class photo.

Calendar Dates

March 18th Navadvipa Mandala Parikrama

April 5th Rama Navammi. The Appearance of Lord Rama.

Term 2:

May 3rd Class photos.

Date	Event
Week 10 Monday 3rd and Thurs 6th April	Parent conferences
Week 11	Whole school trip to the beach. More info to come.

Parent Conferences

These will take place in **week 10 on Monday 3rd and Thursday 6th April**. Your child will receive a letter home this week to book your conference with his or her teacher. Please complete this and return it to your child's teacher by Thursday 30th March. You will receive an alert notification via School Stream to remind you of the conference, closer to the day.