



News Letter, October 2009

KAUSHALYA PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A note from the chairman's desk

Dear Parents,

Happy Diwali !!!

Diwali is a festival of lights having profound significance. The Diyas that we light up are a unique symbol from Indian Culture. The Diya is made up of mud (earth, solid) and oil is the fuel (water, liquid). It needs oxygen to burn (air, gas) and exists in space. The Diya uses fire (agni) to light up the darkness. It is, thus, a unique symbol representing the five elements of Indian spirituality. Scientifically speaking, it represents all the three states of matter (solid, liquid & gas) as well as energy, fire.

During Diwali, we symbolically place the Diya on the threshold of the house. It lights up the outside as well as the inside of the house. This is called as DEHALI - DEEP -NYAYA, in the NYAYA SHASTRA. What it means for our day to day living, is to have a commitment to live an enlightened life, both in the inner world of our mind as well as the external world.

The fire in the Diya also has profound meaning. It lights up the dark spaces. Darkness represents ignorance and light represents knowledge. Our commitment in life should be to always be a seeker of knowledge. The second symbol of fire is detachment. It burns garbage as also the diamond, equally. The world around is both good and evil. One should learn to live with a sense of detachment to the world, being "in" the world yet not "of" the world. The third symbol of fire is that, it always rises up. The commitment in life should be to always rise in peace, happiness, serenity, knowledge and wealth. Life should really be a Deepawali, a sequence of Diyas... day after day after day.

Yours in the cause of Education,
RAMESH PARTANI

Daddy's Footsteps

"Walk a little slower, Daddy",
Said a little child so small.
"I'm following in your footsteps,
And I don't want to fall.

Sometimes your steps are very fast,
Sometimes they're hard to see;
So walk a little slower, Daddy,
For you are leading me.

Someday when I'm all grown up,
You're what I want to be;
Then I will have a little child
Who'll want to follow me.

And I would want to lead just right,
And know that I was true;
So, walk a little slower, Daddy,
For I must follow you."

Theme of the month

- Playgroup:** The theme for this month would be Road safety & Good manners.
- Nursery:** Kids will learn about Road safety & Good Habits. They will know the significance of the traffic signal and other road signs.
- PP1:** The theme for PP1 kids is Underwater World. They will learn about sea creatures and will do an art/craft project of an aquarium. There will also be a field trip to the aquarium.
- PP2:** The theme for PP2 this month is Insects. They will be learning about the Lifecycle of a butterfly in detail. They will also have an in house project on Insects.

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10 things every child needs....

-  Interaction
-  Loving Touch
-  Stable Relationship
-  Safety & Health
-  Self Esteem
-  Quality Child Care
-  Communication
-  Play
-  Music
-  Reading

Last month's highlights:

Gardener's Day :

Since the theme was gardening, our kids came dressed as Gardeners. Activities like sowing the mustard & fenugreek seeds were done in school and they watered their plants. PP1 & PP2 kids also took back a packet of sunflower seeds to be grown at home.

Eid Celebrations :

It was good to see all kids dressed in the traditional attire and we all prayed to God to maintain communal harmony in our country. Kids were also told about the significance of Eid and how fasting helps to understand self control and to think about the underprivileged.

Dussehra Celebrations :

Children in their colourful clothes danced merrily to the tunes of Garba beats. Teachers joined the children in the dandia dance. The school was decorated with colours of Rangoli.

*Wishing all our
parents a very
Happy and Prosperous
Diwali !!!!*

