





Namaste thearyasamaj ji,

Holi was a festive occasion as the weather cleared up perfectly to allow everyone to enjoy Holi. Acharya SuryaNandaji very beautifully explained that this festival of holi is just like our life. Each color of holi has it's own significance just like the various colors of life. Each color portrays different aspects of life, like happiness, tragedy, wealth, poverty, surprise, growth, excitement, and shock. Just like the festival of holi comes with its many colors and we enjoy every color, similarly, we should embrace each aspect or each curve that life brings us. Just like the festival of holi is enriched by the variety of colors, our life is enriched by the different ups and downs.

Upcoming Events:

AYM Car Wash:

April 6, 11am-12:30pm at Arya Samaj parking lot

DAVSS Parent's Meeting

April 6, 11.15 am- 11.45 amat DAV Sanskriti School Lobby

New student enrollment for DAV **Montessori:**

Date begins: March 24

Regular Activities: Weekdays:

7:30am-6:00pm: DAV Montessori School, for children ages 2.5 yrs to 3rd grade.

Acharya ji's Message

Your ancestors were great men who enlightened this world, not uncivilized men living in forests. Your history is the eulogy of the conquerors of the world not a mere bundle of defeats. Your Vedic Scriptures are the immortal truths which shaped mighty souls like Shri Rama and Shri Krishna.

Awake! Arise! Be proud of your glorious history. Take inspiration from it to mold the present. Shame upon that education which fills you with contempt for your ancestors!"

Maharshi Dayanand ~



Holi Celebrations at Arya Samaj

Neither rain nor wind could keep away the spirit of Holi at Arya Samaj this year. Despite the rain and windy weather conditions, the Arya Samaj Greater Houston community gathered to celebrate Holi with friends and family on Sunday, March 16, 2014. Everyone had a blast throwing dry gulal of every shade of the rainbow.

The outstanding efforts of the AYM team were much appreciated for set-up and clean-up and many of the members had arrived at Arya Samaj an hour early to help get ready for the day's celebrations. The AYM volunteers worked tirelessly to coordinate and serve food, distribute colors, set everything up and deliver steaming hot cups of chai and freshly made jalebi and cake to all attending the Holi celebrations. All the hard work of the volunteers and AYM was rewarded with an amazing Holi and lots of fun for everyone. If you were unable to attend, make sure not to miss Holi at Arya Samaj next year!

Tuesday:

6:00-7:00pm: Sanskrit Class 7:00-8:00pm: Geeta and Upanishad Discourse

Thursday:

6:00pm-7.00pm - Beginner Sanskrit 7.00pm-8.00pm - Patanjali Yoga darshan

Saturday:

8:00-9:30am - Yoga Classes

Sunday:

8:00-9:30am - Yoga Classes 10:00am-12noon - Satsang and DAV Sanskriti School

Listen to Acharya ji'sSunday <u>Pravachan</u>

To become yajman please contact Payal Talwar or Acharaya Surya Nanda ji. For more information about Sunday satsang and yajmans please Click here.

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Arya Samaj Library

The library is reaching out to members to return books that have been checked out over the last few years. If you have any books from Arya Samaj, please bring them back to the library.

For the complete article click here!!

For more pictures of Holi please click here!!

For more information, please contact Rajeev Khanna or email aryasamaj@gmail.com.





DAVS School kids dance at holi

The DAVS School children started their day on holi, with their weekly prayer and attended their moral education and Hindi classes and other optional classes. Everyone was treated to a wonderful performance prepared by DAVSS dance students to celebrate Holi. DAV Sanskriti School kids did a wonderful performance on a beautiful holi song. Their teacher and parents should be thanked for encouraging the kids to participate in such events.

DAV Projects

DAV Montessori is initiating a project to procure and place a basketball hoop on DAV property to encourage physical activity amongst our children. They are looking for volunteers to help with the effort. Please contact Medhavi

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Presse jpresse@gmail.com for more information.

An example of a project in progress is the garden bed pictured below to be utilized by the 2nd and 3rd grade class as part of their hands-on learning about nature. They will participate in the entire process from planting to weeding and harvesting to then consuming the fruits of their labor.



DAV Montessori School News

DAV Montessori children celebrated Father's Day on March 28 (a little early since the children are out of school in June). The event was a wonderful tribute to the loving fathers and grandfathers. The children celebrated with speeches, songs, and gifts to both their fathers and grandfathers. Everyone enjoyed a special snack of chai, samosas, and jalebi.



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