



Sunday 16th January 2011

Namaste bhaio and beno!

Happy New Year!

CROYDON KENDRA UPDATE!

There has been lots of exciting changes at the former known 'South Kendra'! As of 1st January, South Kendra will be known as 'Croydon Kendra'.

And another seismic change for Croydon Kendra followed. Himalbhai Hirani passed on the baton of Kendra Nayakship to Amitbhai Maru. Himalbhai Hirani worked and travelled tirelessly! His commitment and drive towards Croydon Kendra is an inspiration to us all. Croydon Kendra and all her members would like to thank him for his leadership and guidance and we look forward to him visiting us soon!

In addition to Amitbhai Maru, Croydon Kendra leadership includes Heeralben Patel and Sanjaybhai Shelat as the Kendra Nayabs. This team will be leading the efforts of our dedicated Kendra workforce team and parents over the year.

We welcome support and involvement from parents in taking Croydon Kendra forward into the New Year.

Amitbhai, Sanjaybhai and Heeralben

Baal Devo Bhava



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SPRING TERM

Shradanjali	Wednesday	02/02/2011
Kendra Shradanjali	Sunday	06/02/2011
Kendra Closed - Half Term	Sunday	20/02/2011
Parents Day & Bring and Buy Sale	Sunday	13/03/2011
Kendra Holi Celebrations	Sunday	20/03/2011
Annual General Meeting	Sunday	27/03/2011
Kendra Easter Celebrations and Last Day of Spring Term	Sunday	03/04/2011
Indoor Games Competition	Saturday and Sunday	09/04/2011 and 10/04/2011

SUMMER TERM

Start of Summer Term	Sunday	08/05/2011
Kendra Closed - Half Term	Sunday	05/06/2011
Last Day of Summer Term	Sunday	10/07/2011
Shibir	Friday to Monday	26/08/2011 to 29/08/2011

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Kendra Start 08:45
Kendra Suchna (inc Parents) 12:45
Kendra End 13:00



Late Policy : Anyone who arrives after 9am will have to sign our late list at the Choki Desk.

Attendance Policy: If you need to leave early, or are unable to attend Kendra please speak to the Kendra Nayak.

The talim group are required to stay back an additional 10 mins for feedback sessions.



LIFE 4 CHILDREN BOXES

A big thank you to all who have been collecting the small change they have in their L4C boxes in the last few months. **Your contribution has helped many disadvantaged children all over the world.** Please remember to keep collecting and bring your boxes to Choki desk.

WEBSITE



Please visit our Croydon Kendra page on the Shishukunj website for news, updates and photographs. Available at url:

www.shishukunj.org.uk/kendras/croydon

Any content to add to the website– please email: croydon@shishukunj.org.uk

REMINDER - UNIFORM

All members are required to wear Shishukunj uniform at all times when attending Kendra and Baal Pravuti.

Shishukunj Uniform: plain white t-shirt, plain navy-blue jumper, full length navy blue tracksuit/jeans, white socks and white trainers

If you are interested in purchasing the Shishukunj uniform, please contact the Kendra Choki Desk.

NASTO

If you would like to donate Nasto for Kendra, please contact:

Ritaben Shah 07712532515



BRING AND BUY SUNDAY 13TH MARCH

We would like to raise as much as possible for our *Shishukunj Centre of Excellence* through a Bring and Buy Sale at Kendra.

Please start collecting old toys, books, stationary which we will be collecting at the **Choki Desk** from next week.

Please contact **Sanjaybhai or Heeralben** on Kendra for further information.

PARENTS AT CROYDON KENDRA

Following the launch of Croydon Shishukunj Airlines (CSA), each week a team comprising of a parent, a workforce member and one of the Nayabs will be involved in creating the activities for the country that the CSA is flying to.

So for an exciting term, get your creative juices flowing, and put your thinking caps on!

The timetable of activities and performances will be available at the **Choki desk**.

Parents are welcome to join us in our Prathna and Baalsabhas session, or stay for the whole day and participate in parents activities.

Prathna sessions run between 9:20 and 9:50 every Sunday.

Parents' activities include badminton, yoga and aerobics.

What is a Baalsabha?

A Baalsabha is literally translated as 'childrens' gathering'. In Shishukunj we like to think of it as a stage performance prepared for children by children. This stage gives an opportunity for baalako to show and share their talents, giving them an opportunity to perform to a large audience as well as to inspire their peers.

If your baalaka has a talent, why not encourage them to participate?

If you would like to get involved with any other Shishukunj Activities please speak to any of the active parents at Kendra.

