



## AVANTI COURT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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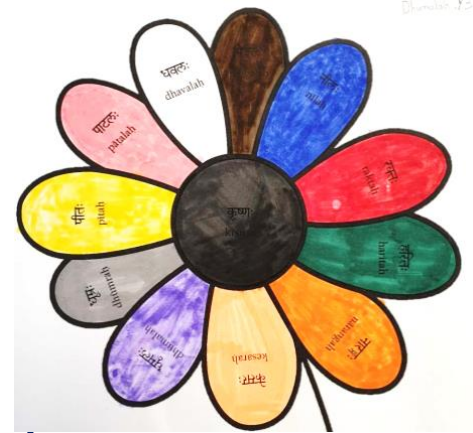
## Welcome to our Sanskrit newsletter

Sanskrit language is full of profound concepts and stands at the root of many eastern and western languages, illuminating their grammar and etymology. Avanti Court Primary School children have weekly Sanskrit lessons to enable them to have a good basic grasp of the Sanskrit language; its vocabulary, structure and grammar. Weekly Sanskrit lessons at our school attempt to teach the language in a simple and systematic way that dispels the notion that Sanskrit is a difficult language.

### Year 3

Year 3 pupils have been demonstrating excellent communication skills during Sanskrit lessons. Pupils have been using their knowledge of Sanskrit to construct a conversation in Sanskrit, lasting a few minutes. Students are able to greet one another, ask and respond to a range of questions and use the correct gender phrases. Children have presented confidently, with a good level of pronunciation and clarity of Sanskrit words. Well done to Year 3 Sanskrit students!

Year 3 children have also been learning lots of Sanskrit vocabulary. They have been looking closely at objects with similar and different colours. Children are able to describe colours confidently in Sanskrit.



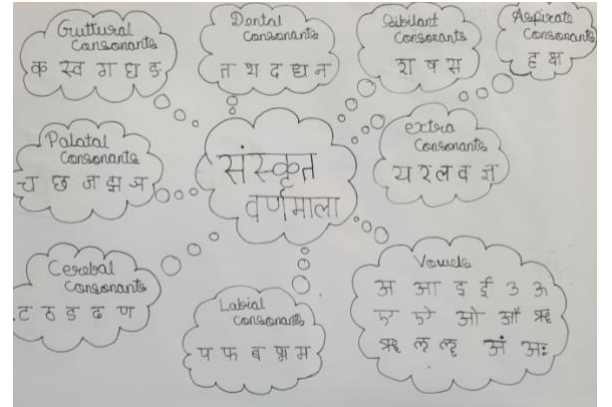
## Year 4

The Mahābhārata is one of the greatest and longest Sanskrit epics in the world. The most famous personality from the Mahābhārata is Kṛṣṇa and therefore His family members are also very famous. This term, children have been introduced to some members of Kṛṣṇa's family, where children have had the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the culture of Vedic India and also introducing the terminology for talking about child's own family and family members. Students in Year 4 have been exploring Sanskrit grammar with focus on the genitive case. Children are able to distinguish third-person singular masculine and feminine genders respectively during Sanskrit lessons. Children have been conversing in Sanskrit to describe their own family members. The grammatical point in this unit is the possessive form of the pronoun for his and hers – "etasya" and "etasyāh" respectively. Year 4 students have been working very hard to learn lots of new Sanskrit vocabulary and even some transliteration too. Excellent effort from Year 4 children!

## Year 5

Year 5 students have been building on previous knowledge and are able to recognise and pronounce the beautiful soundings of vowels and consonants of the Sanskrit alphabet. Children have been writing elegant Sanskrit Devanagari characters consisting of vowels, consonants and conjunct consonants.

Year 5 children have been learning about the International Alphabet of Sanskrit Transliteration, which makes it possible for the reader to read the Sanskrit texts explicitly. Year 5 students have been very meticulous during their Sanskrit lessons!



## Year 6

Year 6 children have participated in cross curricular lessons with Philosophy, Religion and Ethics where children have been exploring some beautiful Sanskrit verses. Each Year 6 class has been reciting, reading and writing some inspirational mantras which can be found in spiritual Sanskrit classics.

Children are able to declaim these Sanskrit mantras precisely and joyfully.

