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Week 22 - Friday 13th March 2020



Value of the term: **Integrity**

"Real integrity is doing the right thing, knowing that nobody's going to know whether you did it or not."

— Oprah Winfrey

Stay on Green champions: **Year 3**

Attendance

Whole school: 95.43%↑

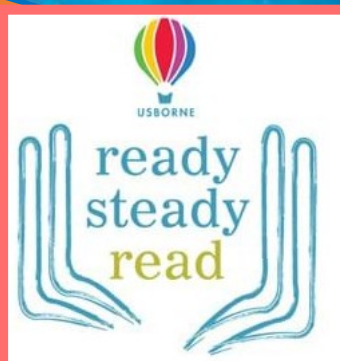
Reception: 94.84%

Year 1: 92.99%

Year 2: 96.62%

Year 3: 96.49%

At a time when all seems gloomy outside, things have continued to be positive here at Krishna Avanti Croydon. Our week burst into life with a colourful and extremely fun Holi celebration. Next we celebrated the story of Shri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, bathing and cleansing the deities in yogurt and honey and making an offering of fragrant, brightly-coloured flower petals to them. The children and staff alike truly reveled in this fun, enlightening experience.



We would like to say a great big **Thank You** to all the children that took part in our sponsored reading event over the past few weeks! We have been astonished by the incredibly positive response the children displayed, as well as the incredible generosity of parents, friends and community members who have given kindly to help our school continue to grow and diversify the literature we have on offer for our learners. Not only has a great deal been raised, but the children have nurtured and enhanced their love of reading, which is the primary goal. We are truly humbled and incredibly grateful for your efforts!

Holi

No child or member of staff escaped a burst of colour as we enthusiastically celebrated the victory of good over evil, welcoming the beginning of spring and spreading happiness and love. **Happy Holi everyone!**



Key dates coming up:

- Monday 16th March - Sponsored reading money and slips to be brought to the school office please
- Monday 16th March - Please could all parents who have not yet done so, complete the PTA survey by this date
- Wednesday 18th March - Year 1 trip to Dean City Farm **CANCELLED until further notice**
- Thursday 19th March - Mrs Budgen has asked if all children who play a musical instrument outside of school could please bring it in with them for their music lesson





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Gaura Purnima

On Wednesday, we were blessed to receive a special Gaura Purnima assembly, delivered by Radha Vinor Prabhu. Our children heard and discussed the magical story of Shri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu and acted out the main parts of the story, before enthusiastically taking part in a special Abhishek.



Coronavirus updates

We continue to receive daily updates from the Department for Education and Local Authority, to which we promptly respond. At present, twice-weekly meetings are being held between the Director of Education for the Avanti Schools Trust and the Principals of all schools, so that continual monitoring of the situation is sustained and proportionate and informed action is taken. During the most recent meeting the following information was shared:

- Public-Health England's advice is that schools are to remain open
- If parents call in to report absence, the absence will be **authorised** if a child has been advised to self-isolate or if a case of coronavirus is confirmed. Other absences will be **unauthorised**
- Schools will continue to carry out thorough cleaning regimes
- Updates regarding measures being taken will be published on the school's websites, notifying you of any situation changes
- Schools will monitor children throughout the day and will promptly notify parents if any symptoms appear in their child

If you have any concerns or questions related to school activities, we are here to help.



Charitable giving at Krishna Avanti!

The children have been learning about charity and exactly what it means to be charitable in their lives. We discussed how the giving up old and unused items of clothing, toys and books, which mean little to us, can be worth a great deal to others. As part of our learning, we will be holding a charity sale at lunch time on **Tuesday 17th March**. We would appreciate any donations of the above items to populate our stall, and kindly ask that any donations be brought to the office by **Monday 16th March**. Each child is invited to bring £1 to spend at the stall and all proceeds will be donated to the **Foof For Life Vrindavan** who educate and empower young Indian girls to achieve a better life.

Please visit their website to find out about the great work they do:

<http://www.fflv.org/about-us/>

