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# GUJARATI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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# Introduction

## Welcome

Welcome to September 2014 and welcome to all new parents and students!!!!!!

This year will be far more exciting than last year as we have the following to look forward to:

- Learn about different festivals and our exciting culture
- Diwali Competition
- Christmas Competition
- Patotsav Celebration
- Easter Competition
- End of year Celebration

Learn new exciting things about our cultural.

We say 'Hi' to the following teachers:

- Ruhi
- Keevalee
- Daminiben

## Parents note with immediate effect:

	Am Finish Time	PM Finish Time	Please note all other standards finish at 12pm and 3 pm as per their session.
Ankodi	11.50am	14.50pm	Why is this? I want to ensure the security and safety of all students, therefore parents need to pick their child(ren) up on time and accordingly.
Balpothi	11.55am	14.55pm	

## Did you know we had this?

School history: <http://www.sksst.org/our-history>

School newsletters: <http://www.sksst.org/newsletter>

School Annual Calendar: <http://www.sksst.org/calendar1>

School notice board is outside the school office for any information.

School Rules are placed in each room

So, come on, don't be lazy and boring and join in with the fun.

We would love to hear your views and any suggestions you may have . Please email [school@sksst.org](mailto:school@sksst.org) or come and see me in the school Office.

Thanks

Smita Varsani

# School Rules



1. **Respect your teachers and others around you**
2. **Morning students should be in school by 9.55am at the latest and afternoon students by 12.55pm at the latest (Wait for the class teacher)**
3. **Chewing gum and writing on tables is prohibited**
4. **You must complete your homework on time**
5. **If you are absent, you must bring in a note the following week or you should let your teacher know in advance if possible**
6. **We do not tolerate bullying and misbehaviour in this school**
7. **Try your best and have a positive attitude towards learning**



# Patotsav

As the SKSS Temple will be celebrating their 18th anniversary on 1st January 2015, Gujarati school students from Ankodi, Balpothi and Standard 1 will be part-taking in a Kirtan dance.

The girls only Kirtan dance will take place on Friday 26th December 2014 at 8pm.

The boys only Kirtan dance will take place on Sunday 28th December 2014 at 8pm.



# Calendar

## For 2014-2015:

**Saturday 6th September 2014** - Start New Term

**Saturday 25th October 2014** - Closed for Diwali

**Saturday 20th December 2014** – Open Day & Parents' Day

**Saturday 27th December 2014** - Closed for Christmas

**Saturday 3rd January 2015** - Closed for Christmas

**Saturday 10th January 2015** – Start of Classes

**Saturday 4th April 2015** - Closed for Easter (one week)

**Saturday 27th June 2015** – End of Year Exams & Enrolment of  
New Students

**Saturday 18th July 2015** - Open Day/Awards and *Last day of  
School before summer break*

**August 2015** - Closed for Summer Break

**Saturday 5th September 2015** - Start of New Term

Please note that the School's phone number is **020 8909  
9389** (Ext.239) (during school hours - 10am to 3pm).

# School Objectives

We have school objectives to ensure our teachers are of a high standard, and to ensure that teaching is of exceptional standard. Please note these are the school objectives for this year:

- Adapt into our new refurbished building in terms of safety, security and comfort.
- Support every student so that they can achieve to their maximum potential.
- Regular liaison between teachers and parents through the form of Parents' Day, reports, phone calls etc.
- Promote the school rules
- Carry out regular teachers' training sessions
- Ensure students and teachers are aware of the fire drill process
- Maintain the concept of involving students with festive events through the forms of class discussions, competitions and activities.
- Encourage more students, staff and parents to adhere to the mandir routines and visit the mandir whenever possible.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continuous support and dedication towards making this a successful Gujarati school.

Thank you

Smita Varsani

# Competitions

## Easter Egg Competition

### Winners

Shivani Patel- Balpothi –Roshni Kerai AM

Kaushali – Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

Yash – Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

Riya - Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

Jayant – Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

### Runner Ups

Triya – Balpothi – Bansriben AM

Janvi Hirani – Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

Dayan – Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

Anjani Pindoria – Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

Janvi n Patel – Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

Bhavani – Ankodi – Lilaben Kara AM

Sohan Bhojani – Balpothi – Vaishni Patel AM

Yuma Bhandari – Balpothi – Bansriben AM

Shayan Sanghani – Balpothi – Bindyaben AM

Kush Hirani – Balpothi – Bansriben

Dhillan Kara – Balpothi – Roshni

Sahil Rabadia – Balpothi – Roshni

## Mother's Day Competition

Sahil

Kush- Ankodi- Lilaben AM

Ria Varsani – Ankodi – Lilaben AM

Nikita

Puvna - Balpothi – Bansriben

## Ramnavmi

Esha Mepani

Nikhil Kerai - 4th standard - Bhavikaben AM

Diya – Standard 1 – Sonaben

# My Interests

In Standard 2 pupils were studying 'My Interests' from their classwork books.

Nima Babariya thought of bringing American Currency, a dollar note and a dollar coin for 1972. She said 'I have been collecting coins from this year.'

Also. Ashvina Kerai thought of bringing an English penny dated 1928. She said 'I am going to keep this coin as a souvenir.'

We congratulate them for thinking out of the box.





# Darsita's Interview

1. Your Full Name?

Darsita Dinesh Jadva

1.1 Age

20

2. Any Pet Names?

Dasi, Dasli

3. How many people in your house and who?

Five People: Mum, dad, one brother, grandma and myself.

4. Who is your favourite mum or dad? And why?

I don't have favourites, both my parents are great!

5. When did you join Gujarati School and why?

All the way back in 2005 – initially to learn Gujarati. After I finished learning, I joined back in 2012 to help with Admin and now am Head of Admin

6. Five words to describe you are:

Bubbly, Jolly, Tall, Talkative and Quick

7. 3 items of food you love:

Pasta, Pizza and Cake

8. 3 items of food you dislike...yuk:

Karela, kichri and bateta vada

9. Few words of wisdom for the kids?

Always Try you Best!

17. Do you like speaking Gujarati? Why?

Yes, as it helps me to talk fluently to my grandparents and reminds me of my mother tongue.

# Darsita's Interview

10. Who has been your inspiration? Why?

My Nana – He always encouraged me to learn and work to the best of my ability.

11. What are your plans now?

To become a qualified Accountant

12. Who have been your friends at Gujarati School?

All the staff and students are lovely, so everyone. It's hard not to be friends with everyone.

14. What have been your best/favourite memories at Gujarati School?

Taking part in Secret Santa and Helping with Patotsav performances

15. We heard you were a student here before, you joined as a teacher. What did you get in your GCSE's?

I got an B in my GCSE.

16. Do you like wearing Indian clothes? Why?

I love wearing them! They normally look elegant than English on me!