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PROGRAM

9:45-9:55	Prayers
9:55-10:00	American National Anthem
10:00-10:10	Welcome and Opening Ceremon
10:15-12:45	Culture Exhibits Open
10:30-11:30	Cultural Performances
11:30-12:45	Raffle & Grand Prize
12:45-12:50	Indian National Anthem

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June 1, 2014

Ms. Asmita Mistry Vidyalaya, Inc. P.O. Box 775 Morris Plains, NJ 07950

Dear Ms. Mistry:

As Mayor of the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, it is an honor and a privilege for me to receive your gracious invitation to attend Mela 2014. The organizers of your event are to be commended for their outstanding program which I have greatly enjoyed in prior years. I am fascinated by the diversity and uniqueness of your culture and look forward to learning more.

I am impressed by your initiative to provide a children's cultural program and to see Vidyalaya volunteers taking time to impart their heritage to the Indian American children which I believe will help prepare them for life amidst Parsippany's diverse society.

Best wishes to all on a successful event and may you achieve peace, good health and prosperity.

Sincerely,

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/James R. Barberio Mayor

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KG Indian sports and games

Visit the KG Culture students to see the popular Indian sports and games. Learn about the world famous game of Cricket. Don't miss the kids playing marbles and caroom games from the 70's.

Coordinators: Surya Ayalasomayajula, Aparna Bijala, Purva Dave, Rama Jonnalagadda, Nehal Joshi, Rajeshri Joshi, Tanu Khanna, Sheetal Maheshwari, Parul Patel, Abhishek Rai, Megha Rathi, Purvika Sheth

Students: Achal Agnihotri, Soham Bhagavatula, Yesha Desai, JayNeil Sai Eda, Kimaya Gaitonde, Aaryan Jain, Rishi Joshi, Veda Mistry, Saloni Mittal, Anisha Mulinti, Aayush Nyati, Twisha Rai

C1A Mera Bharat - "India through my Eyes"

Our Grade 1 A and B Culture students are jointly hosting -- Mera Bharat -"India through my Eyes". This booth showcases our culture and heritage through fun and games. Learn about India by playing fun board games. Come spin the wheel of fortune and race some cars.

Coordinators: Dhananjay Agarwal, Bhavna Kapoor, Purvita Patel

Students: Anushka Agarwal, Isha Bhatia, Anika Bijala, Aahana Gupta, Shubhii Jatkar, Keshav Khandelwal, Varun Kumar, Romir Patel, Yana Patel, Sohan Shah, Suravi Shah, Rohan Sheth, Reya Sinha, Anikait Sota, Vaishnavi Swarna, Avesh Verma

C1B Mera Bharat - "India through my Eyes"

Coordinators: Rakesh Maniar, Anshuman Panigrahi, Amish Patel, Chitra Rochlani

Students: Anika Arora, Natasha Burman, Eshaan Jain, Riya Jain, Krish Jana, Armaan Joshi, Parnika Khanna, Prisha Khanna, Hrishikesh Kothamasu, Palak Maheshwari, Prisha Malik, Pranav Kumar Munigala, Aneesha Panigrahi, Prithu Patel, Aarya Raval, Nikhil Rochlani, Parth Sethi, Pragya Sethi, Nithila Swamy, Saanvi Yalamanchili

C2A Epic story Ramayan

Listen to the famous epic story "Ramayana". This booth tells you about the popular characters. Learn about Rama and Hanuman, and the victory over Ravana. Don't miss shooting an arrow at our villian Ravana.

Coordinators: Rachita Chandak, Sonali Maniar, Jyoti Sharma, Shubha Thirthahalli

Students: Dharm Desai, Aadya Holla, Anusha Jonnalagadda, Ayush Kabirpara, Krrish Makkena, Pranuj Mandavia, Rajvi Maniar, Khushi Mistry, Pratham Patel, Pranav Pedavalli, Anouska Satapathy, Saloni Shah, Shivani Shah, Arnav Sharma, Sarika Soni

C2B Epic story Mahabharat

This booth will capture the famous epic story "Mahabharat". This booth tells you about the popular characters from the war. Learn about the famous Arjuna, the brave Karna and other warriors who fought at Kurukshetra. Won't you want to try your luck at the game of dice?

Coordinators: Sureecha Chauhan, Punita Shah, Sagar Sonar

Students: Armaan Agarwal, Krish Amin, Avinash Ayalasomayajula, Havish Reddy Boda, Saumya Chauhan, Ananya Dasoju, Aarav Mulinti, Isha Narine, Ronak Patel, Shayla Rao, Krish Raval, Keshav Sheth, Ved Sonar

C3A Dashavataar (10 incarnations)

Listen to the famous God story "Dashavataar". This booth tells you about the 10 avataars of Vishnu. Learn about the various forms of Vishnu and how he fought evil in different yugas. Come and win some prizes at our fun games.

Coordinators: Manisha Bhawsar, Shipra Goyal, Shilpa Kalavapudi, Archana Raval

Students: Swara Agarwal, Neil Agrawal, Ruchit Bhawsar, Anish Chidella, Ashmi Desai, Harshil Desai, Darshan Garg, Ayush Goyal, Ankit Gupta, Akshat Mittal, Dhwani Patel, Jayak Patel, Mahi Patel, Nehal Singhal, Mihir Tanguturi, Saanvi Vavilala

C3B Famous Temples and Monuments

Learn about the Temples and Monuments of India. This booth enriches your knowledge about the temples that were built in different ages, both ancient and modern. Check out the world famous monuments. Test your knowledge by answering our trivia questions and play more games!

Coordinators: Gautam Khanna, Lilly Khanna, Meghana Suryadevara

Students: Tanvi Dembla, Mayank Iyer, Sriya Jayanthi, Shaila Joshi, Shiven Joshi, Aarush Khanna, Shiven Khanna, Sarina Khera, Srivatsa Kundurthy, Urmi Mistry, Hemal Parekh, Arshi Patel, Eshani Patel, Saiyal Patel, Vinayak Ranjan, Maya Sheth, Praneeth Yalamanchili

C4A Famous Indians outside of India

Listen to the famous Indians outside India. This booth tells you about the popular politicians, CEO's. Learn about the famed Miss America and other notable Indian celebrities. Don't miss the opportunity to get your picture taken with a current or future celeb!

Coordinators: Shreeya Sawant, Rashmi Singh, Robert Soni, Pallavi Tawde

Students: Mahi Desai, Simrann Gupta, Siddhartha Jaggi, Sidhani Jaggi, Akhilesh Jonnalagadda, Swapnil Mundra, Krithika Neela, Jaiman Parekh, Pooja Patel, Varun Pedavalli, Diya Rao, Ashwathi Renjith, Ekta Shah, Sanjana Shah, Priyanjali Solanky, Vivek Soni, Samhitha Swarna, Ruhi Tawde

C4B Indian freedom fighters

Listen to the famous Indian freedom fighters. This booth teaches about the important people and events on the road to an independent India. "You may never know what results come of your actions, but if you do nothing, there will be no results." — Mahatma Gandhi Don't miss our video presentation.

Coordinators: Hamel Dave, Deepa Gaitonde, Shanthy Nuti

Students: Tarun Ari, Keshav Dave, Tavishi Deo, Sohum Gaitonde, Riya Jain, Dhruv Kabirpara, Arnav Khanna, Harichandana Kothamasu, Dilen Mistry, Laya Neelisetty, Aditya Patel, Nisha Patel, Eshaan Popat, Eva Rehman, Sonali Shah, Anika Verma

C5A Zoom India Zoom

Soak in the Indian culture, traditions and values. This booth tells you about various things we do because we are Indians. Learn some more about Indian values. Play games, win prizes and much more.

Coordinators: Shiksha Burman, Neelu Sinha, Savita Vashisth

Students: Jhalak Bhatia, Neil Burman, Pavan Eda, Shreya Joshi, Kunal Kumar, Shivani Kumar, Karthik Kundurthy, Aneek Mahajan, Praneal Mandavia, Yukta Nyati, Sanskaar Pahwa, Reva Pathre, Armaan Rochlani, Mahek Sansi, Arnav Sinha, Udayan Vashisth

C5B Diverse festivals of India

Learn about Indian festivals of Navratri, Dusshera, Onam, Holi, Diwali, Pongal, Sankranti and Lodi. Come see how India's festivals celebrate its diversity within culture & harmony within regions. Play the wheel of festivals and win many prizes !

Coordinators: Kamakshi Mahadevan, Mukesh Sinha, Sreenivas Yalamanchili

Students: Anika Agnihotri, Jai Amin, Sayoni Badyopadhyay, Sarayu Gopinath, Srinithi Gopinath, Maya Kalapatapu, Gowri Konkesa, Nikhita Lavu, Juhi Parmar, Amisha Patel, Maahi Patel, Ritika Patel, Arjun Sheth, Rupali Sinha, Vatsala Swamy, Ronith Yalamanchili

C6 India's contributions to the world

See India's contribution to the world! This booth showcases the many contributions India has made in all walks of life. Learn about India's contributions in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). Take a ride with us to see the many fascinations of India. Come and see how a fine silk saree can be pulled through a finger ring!

Coordinators: Prasad Gaitonde, Meeta Parekh, Priya Tailor, Sunita Tailor

Students: Sheethal Ayalasomayajula, Abhishek Bhagat, Ananya Bijala, Ishani Dave, Aarushi Deo, Rohan Doshi, Agrim Gupta, Aditya Iyer, Esha Iyer, Saoumyaa Jatkar, Soumya Khera, Eesha Nagpal, Mann Pandya, Tejas Parekh, Prathi Patel, Raghavi Patel, Shiv Patel, Medha Patil, Dhristi Raval, Riya Sawant, Aryan Sinha, Hiral Solanki, Hiren Solanki, Devika Son

C7 Business Contributions

Listen to the famous areas of contributions by Indians throughout the world. This booth tells you about the popular areas like Bollywood, Science, Math, Sports and games. Learn about the famous discoveries and businesses that have shaped the world.

Don't miss the the musical rendition of "Badtameez Dil"

Coordinators: Tarun Chauhan, Hina Jaggi, Vijay Khadse

Students: Chintan Bhavsar, Amulya Dasoju, Eshan Doshi, Shruthi Gopinath, Rhea Jana, Sravan Jayanthi, Pallavi Kanoor, Rohan Kapoor, Salil Khanna, Arnav Mahajan, Devin Mistry, Jaymin Mistry, Aarsh Patel, Sahil Patel, Shyam Popat, Yashas Satapathy, Annika Sharma, Priyanka Solanky, Aryan Tawde, Aniketh Yalamanchili

C8 Know Your True Colors

Your true colors are within your self. Learn about how the knowledge of your inner self is the true knowledge needed in pursuit of happiness. Don't miss the exciting games and treats. Get your ego assessed by the "EGO-METER", the ego measurement tool built by our very own C8 scientists.

Coordinators: Malini Arora, Navin Dembla, Sunila Gupta

Students: Parth Agrawal, Abhinav Bansal, Bhuvi Teja Boda, Avani Goswami, Shrusti Goswami, Riya Gupta, Esha Jain, Anavil Patel, Devak Patel, Preya Patel, Sonali Sinha, Pranav Tailor

C9 Spirituality through art

See a gallery of art depicting ideas from Gita and Mahabharata. Also, play mind games with a brainwave headset.

Coordinators: Mukesh Dave, Sanjai Narain, Shameekumar Patil

Students: Divya Bhagat, Yovin Bhatia, Nikhil Kanoor, Arjun Khadse, Shefali Kumar, Pranay Maniar, Dipal Mistry, Heenal Patel, Jayna Patel, Manu Patil, Resham Sansi

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9:50	American National Anthem
	Simrann Gupta, Jahnvi Joshi, Shreya Joshi, Nisha Patel, Rupali Sinha,
	Samhitha Swarna, Vaishnavi Swarna
	Coordinator: Anju Saran
10:30	Ram Bhajan
	Ayush Goyal, Varun Kumar, Parth Sethi, Anikait Sota, Avesh Verma
1077	Coordinator: Dipika Sota Tabla: Keshav Sota
10:37	Bollywood Dance ~ "Tunne Marí Entry"
	Soumya Khera, Sarina Khera, Amulya Dasoju, Ananya Dasoju, Maanasa Tadakamalla
	Choreographer: Sangita Khera
10:45	Bollywood Dance – "Thalaíva-Lungí Dance"
	Sriya Jayanthi, Laya Potturi, Samhitha Swarna, Vaishnavi Swarna,
	Hari Vudathu
	Choreographer: Madhvi Jayanthi
10:52	Bollywood Dance - Medley
	Shubhii Jatkar, Rajvi Maniar, Dhwani Patel
	Choreographer: Niti Jatkar
11:00	Song - Thumki Chalat
	Eesha Nagpal, Ruhi Tawde
	Contact: Sanjay Nagpal
11:05	Bollywood Dance - Medley
	Abhishek Bhagat, Divya Bhagat, Saoumyaa Jatkar
1117	Choreographer: Niti Jatkar
11:12	Bollywood Dance ~ Medley
	Mahi Desai, Dharm Desai, Swapnil Mundra, Nisha Patel, Ronak Patel Contact: Brijesh Desai
11:20	Vibrant India on the Ramp
11.20	Ayush Goyal, Ruchit Bhavsar, Vivek Bhavsar, Yukta Nyati, Ayush Nyati,
	Aarush Khanna, Soumya Khera, Sarina Khera, Sriya Jayanti, Amisha Patel,
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	Rohan Kapoor, Riya Gupta, Amulya Dasoju, Ananya Dasoju, Nithila Swamy, Anika Arora, Prisha Khanna
	Coordinators: Shalini Mehrotra, Sunanda Bhatia
12:45	Indian National Anthem
	Simrann Gupta, Jahnvi Joshi, Shreya Joshi, Nisha Patel, Rupali Sinha,
	Samhitha Swarna, Vaishnavi Swarna
	Coordinator: Anju Saran Keyboard: Mahi Desai

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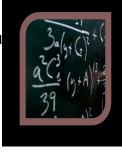
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9:35 - 10:20	Math	Read/Write	Science	Read/Write	Math
10:25 - 11:10	Science	Chess	Robotics	Academic Strat.	Mock Trial
11:15 - 12:00	Science	Lang. Arts	Social Studies	Lang. Arts	Social Studies
12:00 - 12:30	Lunch/Dismiss	Lunch/Dismiss	Lunch/Dismiss	Lunch/Dismiss	Lunch/Dismiss
12:40 - 1:40	Mandarin	Spanish	Mandarin	Spanish	Mandarin
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Vibrant India Fun Facts

Indian Sports & Games: Today, "Cricket has become a passion and almost a religion". The entire history of cricket in India and the subcontinent as a whole is based on the existence and development of the British Raj via the East India



Company. Record breaking score of 100 – international centuries (100 runs) by Sachin Tendulkar makes every Indian/NRI proud and happy!!

India Through My Eyes: India was very prosperous and for 1000 years had a Golden phase under Emperor Ashoka, and many famous dynasties of Guptas, Cholas, Hoysalas and others – they built many famous temples, palaces. 1526 – 1857: The



"invaders and conquerors" were the reason when the "fusion" started. An Indian prince requested help against Ibrahim Lodi (hated sultan of Delhi) and this marked the end of the *Lodi* Dynasty and the rise of the *Mughal* Empire in India led by *Babur*. Not only did Babur defeat Lodi he killed the Indian prince as well and the Mughal Empire started growing territory by territory in India. This period was the rich age for art, music and architecture. There was unification of the fragmented country and construction of many monuments – Red Fort, Taj Mahal, Fatehpur Sikri, and famous Mosques.

Epic Story Ramayan: Rama is a symbol of our soul. Ramayan is Ram+Ayan. It means the journey of Rama, symbolizing the way our soul advances. Rama, like our soul, is without faults and is of divine origin. Like Krishna, Rama too is an incarnation of Vishnu, that virtual part of the Paramatma, the ultimate Soul or power which sustains



Creation. Like Krishna, Rama too is blue-hued as blue signifies eternity.

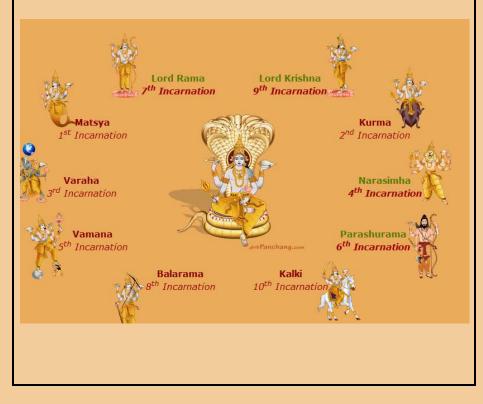
Vibrant India More Fun Facts

Epic Story Mahabharat: The war on the battlefield of Kurukshetra lasted 18 days. Pandavas won the war. During the war, Arjun had doubts and asked Lord Krishna for guidance. Lord Krishna represents higher consciousness and Arjun represents the ever doubting mind of the human. This is a very famous dialogue Bhagvad Gita and in this Krishna also reveals Arjun his true form "Vishwaroop". It is said that, soon after the war Sage Vyas began noting down all the minute details of the war. It took him about



four years to gather all required information. He started writing Mahabharat after Dhruturashtra's death. It took him three years to complete the work.

Dashavtar: the ten incarnations of the god Vishnu in the Hindu Mythology.



Vibrant India Some More Fun Facts

Famous Temples and Monuments: The second richest and most visited holy place in the world is in India. The presiding deity of the temple is Lord Venkateswara, an incarnation of lord Vishnu. Venkateswara is known by other names: Balaji, Govinda, and Srinivasa. The temple is the richest pilgrimage centre,



after the Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple in Kerala, of any faith (at more than INR 500 billion) and the most-visited place of worship in the world. The temple is visited by about 50,000 to 100,000 pilgrims daily (30 to 40 million people annually on average), while on special occasions and festivals, like the annual Brahmotsavam, the number of pilgrims shoots up to 500,000, making it the most-visited holy place in the world

Famous Indians Outside of India: Miss America, Ms. Nina Davuluri, hopes for a new positive and enlightening understanding of diversity through social media. She hopes that people will understand that regardless of your different beliefs or backgrounds, we can all still communicate and respect one another in an open and honest manner. That's not to say we have to agree with everyone's beliefs, but I hope people will develop that fine line of respect and honesty. Davuluri also promoted STEM, or the fields of science,



technology, engineering, and mathematics to students.

Indian Freedom Fighters: Independence (1947) was achieved through the effort of many freedom fighters. By employing nonviolent civil disobedience, Gandhi led India to independence and inspired movements for civil rights and freedom across the world. Mahatma Gandhi is called "Bapu" the "father of the nation". His birthday, October 2, is commemorated in India as Gandhi Jayanti, a national holiday, and world-wide as the International Day of Nonviolence.



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Vibrant India Even More Fun Facts

Zoom India Zoom: According to Amartya Sen, the India born Nobel Laureate in Economics, the culture of modern India is a complex blend of its historical traditions, influences from the effects of colonialism over centuries and current Western culture - both collaterally and dialectically. Current images of India show similarities with the west in many ways. Out of India's 397 million workers, 124 million are now women. The issues in India with women empowerment are similar to those elsewhere in the world.

Diverse Festivals of India: Uthsava or Utsava or Utsav is derived from the Sanskrit word, Utsava. The Sanskrit word Utsava comes from the word "ut" meaning "removal" and "sava" which means "worldly sorrows" or "grief". The festivals typically celebrate events from Hindu mythology, often coinciding with seasonal changes. There are festivals which are primarily celebrated in certain regions of the Indian subcontinent.



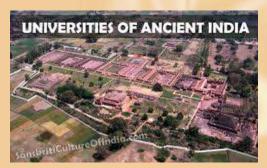
Holi - "festival of colors" welcomes Spring - Vidyalaya Holi 2014 celebration!!

India's Contribution to the World: A few examples:

- India invented the Number System. Zero was invented by Aryabhatta.(Gupta era (476–550 CE) was the first in the line of great mathematician-astronomers from the classical age of Indian mathematics and Indian astronomy.
- Sanskrit is the mother of all the European languages. Sanskrit is the most suitable language for computer software a report in Forbes magazine, July 1987.

Vibrant India Extra Fun Facts

 The World's first university was established in Takshila in 700BC. More than 10,500 students from all over the world studied more than 60 subjects. The University of Nalanda built in the 4th century BC was one of



the greatest achievements of ancient India in the field of education.

Know Your True Colors: The "Vedas" are the oldest Sanskrit literature and the oldest scriptures of Hinduism. The term "Vedanta" stands for "conclusion" (anta) of the Vedas (Upanishads) from where the entire Hindu philosophy is derived. The Upanishads claim the



unity of the individual with the supreme through the four statements: Prajñānam Brahma ("Consciousness is The Supreme"), "Ayam ātmā brahma" ("The Self Is The Supreme"), "Tat Tvam Asi" ("Thou art That") and "Aham Brahmāsmi" (I am The Supreme).

Spirituality Through Art: In India all that exists as Vedas, Puranas, Upanishads or any kind of scriptures comes from artists. They were called rishis, saints, seers and visionaries but they were actually artists. You will find in India an old tribe of saints known as "visionary artists", who are poets, musicians, singers, sculptors and painters. These people created the greatest existing and most ancient



literature of the world. The Vedas do not come from a prose writing dry intellectual mind. The Vedas are written poetry. The Bhagavad Gita is poetry. The Upanishads are poetry; its verses are so compact that only one line explains the entire law of Karma. Art is a very precise expression. FARSHAN/SNACK (Choose ONE) Khaman Dhokla White Dhokla Khandvi Patra Samosa Lilva Kachori Moongdal Kachori Mix Veggie Pakoda Vegetable Cutlet (Pattice) Batata Vada (Aloo Bonda) Sabudana Vada

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