

CHINMAYA PRADĪPIKĀ

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The key features of this quarter include a tribute to Pujya Gurudev on the 31st Chinmaya Mahāsamādhi Ārādhana Day and Śrī Jyoti Vināyaka procession. This issue also includes CMSD 20th Annual Summer Camp, commencement of the SV/BV year in the holy presence of Swami Keshavananda (from Dwarka) and Guru Pūrṇimā as well as Śrī Kṛṣṇa Janmāṣṭamī celebrations.



THE MASTER SPEAKS

“There is no companion like solitude. One who knows how to tune himself to the inner silence, even in the midst of the din and roar of the marketplace, enjoys a most recreative solitude.”

Guru Pūrṇimā Celebrations



July 21, 2024, marked the auspicious *Guru Pūrṇimā* day as everyone bowed down in reverence and gratitude to pay homage to the great lineage of our *Sanātana Dharma*. The celebration commenced with the chanting of the *Guru-śiṣya Paramparā*, a tribute to the lineage of our *Gurus*.

The sun lights up the world, but is so bright and intense that nobody can gaze at it directly. Whereas, the full moon is cool and pleasant and nourishes all living beings with soft light that is not its own, but only reflected sunlight. The full glory of the sun is reflected in the full moon. In the same way, **Lakshmi Aunty** explained that the Lord is the source of all spiritual knowledge which we cannot access directly. To avail of that knowledge, we need a *guru*, who is like a full moon. On the full moon day of *Guru Pūrṇimā* (also called *Vyāsa Pūrṇimā*), we honor and express our gratitude to the *guru paramparā* starting from *Veda Vyāsa* and *Bhagavān Śankara* to Swami Sivananda, Swami Tapovanam and our Pujya Gurudev Swami Chinmayananda.

Guru pādukā pūjā was performed with *Cinmaya aṣṭottara*, chanting of *Guru pādukā stotram*, Tapovana *ṣaṭkam*, *bhajans* and *ārati*. *Naivedyam* was offered and partaken by the devotees as HIS blessing.

- **Rajasekar Vaidyanathan and Smita Bhatia**



Chinmaya Mahāsamādhi Ārāadhanā Celebrations

August 3, 2024, marked the 31st Chinmaya Mahāsamādhi Ārāadhanā Day and the 11th Anniversary of *Chinmaya Jyoti āśrama*. All devotees gathered in reverence and gratitude to celebrate the life of service and timeless values portrayed by our beloved Pujya Gurudev.

As per CMSD tradition, Chinmaya Jyoti lamp was lit at 5:45 PM, the exact time Pujya Gurudev left his mortal body 31 years ago in San Diego. *Guru pādūkā pūjā* was performed with melodious chanting of *aṣṭottaraśatanāmāvali* as the *aṣṭalakṣmīs* concurrently lighted the 108 *jyotis*. It was a delight to see **Anuj Kelkar**, one of our Bala Vihar students, partake in the *pūjā* with utmost dedication.



Chinmaya Mahāsamādhi Ārāadhanā Celebrations



Chinmaya Swaranjali offered various compositions and *bhajans* in honor of Pujya Gurudev.

The highlight of the event was a profound vedic chanting from *Taittirīya Upaniṣad*, offered as an *upacāra* by the CMSD Vedic chanting group on this auspicious occasion.

A special composition by Pujya Guruji for the *Ārāadhanā* Day, *Cinmaya Smṛti hī Cinmaya Jyoti*, was presented by **Chinmaya Swaranjali** just before the *ārati*.

In the words of **Ranga Sampath**, “Attending CMSD *Mahāsamādhi Ārāadhanā* after a gap of two years, I was reminded how serene and spiritual this day feels. A day dedicated to *sevā* followed by veneration of Pujya Gurudev. Walking into the *āśrama*, seeing the central octagon with the 108 lamps and the *devīs* seated to light them, brought back memories of the event in 2013 when the *āśrama* first opened. The magical feeling is still there.”

With the upcoming CMSD Twentieth Annual Summer Youth Camp, this was a perfect occasion to offer the summer camp book at the altar and receive blessings from Pujya Gurudev.

The evening concluded as all the CMSD families lined up to offer flowers to Gurudev's Jyoti. A special feast consisting of various Kerala delicacies completed the celebrations.



Chinmaya Mahāsamādhi Ārāadhanā Celebrations



Member Reflections:

“While in prior years we have attended the Chinmaya Mahāsamādhi Ārāadhanā Camp, this year, we arrived at *Chinmaya Jyoti* to find ourselves basking in the light of that very lamp which is lit within our hearts. With cultural traditions honored by the entire *guru paramparā*, as offerings in service at the feet of Pujya Gurudev, the aura continues to be filled with light and love, respect and reverence, dedication and devotion. While we would have honored this solemn occasion wherever we were, being at *Chinmaya Jyoti* was especially significant on this Ārāadhanā Day. Though we had not met Pujya Gurudev while in His physical form, we continue to ever-meet Him in our hearts time and time again. To that *guru* who continues to light the path ahead, we humbly bow down!” - **Nandita Verma (CM - Phoenix)**

“I was overjoyed and felt blessed to participate as one of the *aṣṭalakṣmīs*....Every *mantra* chanted and every *puṣpa* offered felt so divine.... All I can say to Pujya Gurudev is thank you for choosing me and for showing me this path.” - **Deepthi Anipindi**



“I felt fortunate to be one of the *aṣṭalakṣmīs*.... Ārāadhanā, lighting lamps and listening to the *bhajans* made it a blissful experience that will be cherished in my memory forever...” - **Sujatha Sivasankaran**

CMSD Twentieth Annual Summer Youth Camp



What a perfect way to begin the new school year by soaking in the deeper understanding of the values based on our *Sanātana Dharma*. CMSD hosted its twentieth annual summer youth camp, **Values are Invaluable**, under the guidance of **Lakshmi Aunty**.

The week-long camp was initiated with an orientation on **August 4, 2024** followed by camp conclusion on **August 9, 2024** with a closing ceremony and a potluck dinner.

It is only through the guiding light of a *Guru* that one can reflect upon subtle and dynamic ideas. The camp was inaugurated by **Lakshmi Aunty** with the lighting of Chinmaya Jyoti and offering reverence to Pujya Gurudev and Pujya Guruji.

Aunty specially acknowledged Pujya Guruji for his teachings in the book 'Dharma Shastra' which provided the foundational theme for the camp. The chanting of *Gurvaṣṭakam* seamlessly weaved into the theme.

"Only when I **value the Values**, will I be able to live by them" - this beautiful reflection laid the opening ground for further in-depth understanding of how the expression of one's life is primarily the expression of one's assimilated value system.

Aunty captured the attention of all the children without a single inactive moment. The understanding of a value was presented in a story form and then further enhanced through show and tell and other mediums. This certainly enabled children to grasp the meaning in a most coherent way.



CMSD Twentieth Annual Summer Youth Camp



Lakshmi Aunty guided the *sevikās* towards preparing nutrient rich, well-balanced and tasty meals to satisfy childrens' palate. The *sevikās* in the kitchen were chanting and listening to Aunty's teachings while cooking, enabling the right attitude for overall physical, mental and spiritual well being. **Sujatha Sivasankaran** expressed "Added advantage was to listen and learn about the values, theme of the camp, which gave lots of insights and I found it personally invaluable..."

Another important learning aspect of this camp was how to experience joy in the most simple way. The energy and excitement amongst children during the game time, Wheel of Virtues, was clear evidence of the same. A very simple game with no frills created a joyful environment which not only energized the children but also reinforced the learning.



CMSD Twentieth Annual Summer Youth Camp

UNTO HIM OUR BEST



In today's fast paced living where technology has overpowered young minds, it was a blessing to experience a *Gurukula* way of life that enabled all to connect at a deeper level and experience extraordinary in the ordinary!

The campers created posters on the last day presenting the key values that they captured from the camp. Parents were equally curious and thrilled to see children's expressions through the display.

-Manasi Popat



CMSD Twentieth Annual Summer Youth Camp

Summer Camp Reflections:

“The camp experience was so serene and impactful. It taught me that not just knowing values is important but when I start living and applying the same values in day to day life, I am onto a path which gives meaning, direction and peace.”

- **Shridevi Hongal** (BV *sevikā*)

“I observed and also enjoyed how Lakshmi aunty brought out the values with newness while keeping the kids of all ages engaged with rapt attention. The week long knowing and bonding with kids was very satisfying and it felt like a family.”

- **Sandhya Srinivasan** (BV *sevikā*)

“I joined this camp excited to learn new values and slowly came to realize how little I knew... As a student, I found the value of accepting criticism and rejecting praise to be very relatable. I used to believe that praise was better than criticism because it always made me happier. But, after learning this value I realized that praise only boosts my ego, but criticism allows me to grow and become more humble.”

- **Aditi Hariharan** (BV Grade 11)

“I truly feel as though this camp has come to me at the most perfect time as I am approaching my senior years of school and need to practice these values in order to live a good life dedicated to *Bhagavān*, the value of having an altar of dedication. Being a part of the Chinmaya Mission family has really strengthened my personality and deepened my connection to our *Sanātana Dharma*.”

- **Isha Popat** (BV Grade 11)

“At this year’s summer camp, I was able to learn about values and why they really matter. At first, values seemed like abstract ideas, but as the week came to an end, I was able to understand how they actually influence our daily lives. Two values that resonated with me were *śaucam* and *akrodhaḥ*. *Śaucam* means both inner purity and outer cleanliness, keeping both my actions and intentions pure. *Akrodhaḥ* stuck with me because I found that I can apply it to situations in my life and control my impulses of anger...”

- **Adhvay Iyer** (BV Grade 8)

Satsaṅga with Swami Keshavananda



Satsaṅga with saints is hard to come by and comes to us as a reward for all the merits we may have accrued. It truly was a gift to be in the company of Swami Keshavananda, on **August 17, 2024**, especially on the auspicious occasion of the *Sundarakāṇḍa Pārāyaṇā*. Just as a fruit tree laden with lots of fruits bends down, humility of this noble saint could be seen in the way he talked and the love he showered upon all!

Swamiji's anecdotes about his meeting with Pujya Gurudev and Pujya Guruji took us down the memory lane and filled us with renewed reverence towards these great masters. The most touching moment was when he fondly talked about his love and connection with our *āśrama* here in San Diego as he has been instrumental in laying the foundational brick. His love and affection towards the children was evident as he appreciated their singing and chanting. It was truly a beautiful experience to be around a *Mahātmā*.



-Nita Halker

Welcome to CMSD 2024-25 Session

Meet and Greet for New Member Families



On **August 17, 2024**, over 15 new CMSD families attended the “Meet and Greet” event addressed by Sukumar Uncle and SV/BV *sevaks* and *sevikās*. It was an informal session to familiarize the new families with the Shishu Vihar and Bala Vihar environment followed by Q & A and book distribution.

Swami Keshavananda graces BV/SV Commencement Day

On August **18, 2024**, CMSD SV/BV session commenced in the divine presence of **Swami Keshavananda** of Sanatan Seva Mandal, Dwarka.



Sridevi Akkala (BV *sevikā*) heartily welcomed all the new and returning families, addressing the key role of the Bala Vihar programme in providing cultural and spiritual orientation to the families of the modern age.

Manasi Popat (BV *sevikā*) shed light on how the values of *Sanātana Dharma* are beautifully woven into the very fabric of *Chinmaya Jyoti*, enabling it to provide a sense of community for our children to easily connect to their vedic roots, embrace a sense of belonging and take pride in who they are!



Lakshmi Aunty addressed the assembly reminding all the purpose of Bala Vihar - the only place where we learn how to be happy! Aunty encouraged all the members to wholeheartedly integrate in all the CMSD programmes which is essential for the Knowledge to take its root.

Welcome to CMSD 2024-25 Session



As Aunty welcomed **Swami Keshavananda** at the *āśrama*, she reminded all how fortunate we are to start the New Year with his blessings. Aunty recollected fond memories of Swamiji visiting this ground even before the concrete was laid and his association with CMSD well before the *āśrama* was built.

The CMSD campers presented their learnings through chants and songs that highlighted the importance of *Guru's* grace and blessings for life's endeavors and beautifully set the tone for the new beginning with the Eighteen-its value song.

Swamiji then lovingly addressed the assembly by encouraging all to keep smiling... '*prasanna citte paramātmā darśanam*'. He expressed his joy in seeing the progress in creative presentations and various cultural programs at CMSD. Swamiji's love for children was evident in his talk, as he compassionately guided them to stay connected to their *vaidika* roots through Chinmaya Mission where they learn *saṁskṛti*, *saṁskāra* and the *dhārmik* way of living. He fondly recollected Aunty's visit to Dwarka, and reminded all that Pujya Gurudev has shown a path of *Sanātana Dharma*, and keeping Gurudev in her heart, Lakshmi Aunty is tirelessly guiding us towards this true path!

- Manasi Popat

Welcome to CMSD 2024-25 Session

Bala Vihar Parent Orientation on September 15, 2024

All CMSD parents got an opportunity to visit their children's classroom to experience their classroom environment and also meet the teachers and understand the curriculum.

New CMSD Members Speak:

“My kids are loving it. The very next day of Bala Vihar they finished their homework and were listening to the *ślokās*.... It just calms us down and takes the stress of the day away. It was a beautiful feeling.”

- **Swapneel Eklahare** (Children in Grade 6 and Grade 3)

“Our two boys are liking Bala Vihar. They are also enrolled in Hindi class and it has been a good experience. This is just the beginning for us and we are looking forward to the year.”

- **Konda Reddy Polu** (Children in Grade 6 and Grade 5)

“Our daughter is very excited as she has been introduced to *ślokās* that she has been learning at home. I am curious to know what will be taught throughout the year.”

- **Sanjeev Shankar** (Child in Pre-K)

“Advay is enjoying the stories about *Kṛṣṇa*. He is curious and asks so many questions that we as parents are unable to answer. We hope that he finds the answers to his questions from CMSD teachers. Further, we hope that the teachers add to his curiosity.”

- **Karthik Tripurari** (Child in Grade 2)

“It is lovely to see my daughter exposed to Indian philosophy.”

- **Deepa Sannidhi** (Child in Grade 2)

“It is good to see my daughter listening and participating in all the events along with others... I was very happy when she talked about *Kṛṣṇa*'s family...like *Balarāma* as *Kṛṣṇa*'s brother.”

- **Sridivi Koripalli** (Child in SV)



Śrī Kṛṣṇa Janmāṣṭamī

On **August 26, 2024**, CMSD *sevaks*, *sevikās* and members followed the tiny footprints into *Pranava Nilayam* to join in the traditional and festive celebrations that are a hallmark of CMSD.



After the blowing of the holy conch by Amarnath Puttur, Lakshmi Aunty began the *ṣoḍaśopacāra pūjā* assisted by CMSD *sevak* Bharath. The *abhiṣekam* proceeded with the chanting of the *Puruṣa Sūktam*. After the *pūjā*, Chinmaya Dhvani and Chinmaya Swaranjali presented several *bhajans* in praise of the Lord.

Śrī Kṛṣṇa Janmāṣṭamī

All the little girls dressed as *gopikās* not only witnessed the *pūjā* but also received an opportunity to select an outfit for *Gopālā*. The entire *āśrama* danced to the tunes of Pujya Gurudev's favorite *Cilāṅga Keṭṭi*. It was a joy to see Lakshmi Aunty and CMSD *sevak* Jayanti-bhai dancing away!



After the offering of *naivedyam*, including *Gopālā*'s favorite butter, *Kṛṣṇa* was lovingly invited to come quickly.... *Kṛṣṇa Nī Begane Bāro*. As devotion and love for the Lord overflowed it was time for a lullaby to put baby *Kṛṣṇa* to sleep. The *pūjā* culminated with everyone swaying baby *Kṛṣṇa*'s cradle.

- Ashwin Mohan

Making Clay *Gaṇeśa* Workshop



Over 30 children gathered on **September 2, 2024** to create their own clay *Gaṇeśa* and the excitement for the grand *Gaṇeśa Chaturthi* was already in the air! As expressed by a **CMSD mother Shruti**, “...It was incredibly rewarding to see children’s creativity shine as they engaged in this meaningful activity...”.

Śrī Jyoti Vināyaka Procession

Joy and excitement was prevalent during *Gaṇeśa Chaturthi* celebrations this year on **September, 7, 2024**. The atmosphere at the *Chinmaya Jyoti* echoed festivities with vibrant colors, traditional decorations and classical music.



Needless to say, the grandeur here lies in the *śraddhā* and *bhakti* with which the Lord is worshiped. The *āśrama* reverberated with divine energy of vedic chanting and it was beautiful to see all the little ones perform *pūjā* for their own *mūrtis* and carefully follow along the *aṣṭottaram*.

Śrī Jyoti Vināyaka Procession



All eyes were keenly looking forward to the momentous occasion when *Śrī Jyoti Vināyaka murti*, after being carefully placed on a beautifully handcrafted and decorated palanquin, was taken out for a procession.



As the CMSD members proceeded towards the front yard along with the palanquin, the water sprinkled from above as though the *devatās* were equally enchanted by the pleasing sight.

Śrī Jyoti Vināyaka Procession



Srividya Brahmakal shared, “The crown jewel of the celebration was the procession of our *Jyoti Vināyaka* Swami around the campus. With songs, dance and laughter, it was a true birthday celebration!”

In spite of the mid-summer heat, CMSD devotees danced their way in the procession, singing the glories of Lord *Gaṇeśa*. Indeed it was after 11 years of the *mūrti sthāpanā* that *Śrī Jyoti Vināyaka* toured the *āśrama* premise, bestowing joy, blessings and renewed enthusiasm to all present! The event culminated with *ārati* and *prasādam*.

- Manasi Popat



Mothers' Retreat



On **September 29, 2024**, a group of 30 *Devīs* (mothers) gathered at the *āśrama* to exchange their views and share experiences on motherhood and reflect on its vital role. To do justice to this role that we have been entrusted with, we have to lean on our vast scriptures and as well as the lives of our mothers, grandmothers and great women personalities in Hindu history, and consider ourselves fortunate as trustees of the children. Discussions were led and moderated by **Lakshmi Aunty**. Several pertinent questions were discussed on different topics including self-care, self-doubt, parenting and peer pressure, dos and don'ts, and setting boundaries.

The focus of the meet was *Dharma*, and the series will continue on **October 6, 2024** with a focus on *Jñāna* aspect during the *Strī Śakti* workshop. Attendees were encouraged to form support group to come together as a community with shared beliefs to help and support each other, under the umbrella of the Mission. It was decided to have a *Saṃskṛti Pālakās* meeting on the last Sunday of each month.

- **Gayathri Vishwanathan**

Member Reflections:

“After coming to the mothers' retreat, I have got *satsaṅga* connect I have been looking and searching for...”

- **Tulasi Peddola**

“It is always wonderful to hear Lakshmi Aunty reiterate all the pointers from our scripture and guide all us mothers through this parenting journey.”

- **Kamya Manda**

“It was helpful to listen to all the mothers, who have been associated with the Mission longer, share their experiences of how their children have benefited by growing in this *āśrama* environment.”

- **Sudha Kumar**

“I left the workshop with clarity of thought on Do's and Don'ts and action items to implement and start working on in my day to day life following my *Dharma* as a mother of two children...”

- **Padma Priyatham Gorjala**

Talks on Śrīmad Bhāgavatam



It was an auspicious beginning for the *Śrīmad Bhāgavatam* study class at *Chinmaya Jyoti* on **September 11, 2024**. The inauguration day being *Rādhāṣṭamī* and *Gaurī pūjā* being celebrated in many parts of India, the universe made everything blend seamlessly to get abundant blessings from our *Gurus* and the Divine. The introduction to the text began with the learning that *Śrīmad Bhāgavatam* is sufficient to realize God.

Member Reflections:

“It felt great...it was a blessing to come here and listen to the *Bhāgavatam*....I did not want Lakshmi Aunty to stop the talk.”
- **Anshu Mishra**

“I grew up listening to the inspiring stories from *Bhāgavatam*...listening to these discourses with a clear and focused mind enabled me to connect the dots and to reinforce, strengthen and deepen my understanding.”
- **Gayathri Vishwanathan**

Devī Group Commences



The *Devī* Group commenced its on-going study on *Adhyātma Rāmāyaṇa* from **September 13, 2024**.

As the group completed the study of *ekādaśaḥ sargaḥ* with the destruction of *Rāvaṇa*, *Śrī Rāma Lallā* arrived at *Chinmaya Jyoti* straight from *Ayodhyā*, as a gift by one of the new *Devī* group members, Anshu Mishra.

Hindustani Vocal Concert

By the blessings of Pujya Guruji Swami Tejomayananda, Lakshmi Aunty, Sukumar Uncle and efforts of many ardent *sevaks*, on **September 20, 2024**, CMSD hosted a concert of renowned Hindustani vocalist **Smt. Manjusha Patil**.

She was accompanied by Shri Prashant Pandav on tabla, Shri Abhinay Ravande on harmonium, Sujata Kulkarni on *tānpurā* and Tushar Sathe on cymbals.



Hindustani Vocal Concert



Smt. Manjusha and her team elevated the audience's minds with melodious high pitched bandish, *abhangs*, Meera *bhajans* and the popular *Devaranāma Bhāgyāda Lakṣmī bāramma*. The lovely songs were themed primarily around beloved Lord *Kṛṣṇa*, whom we fondly call Giridhara, *Pānduraṅga*, *Gopāla* and *Viṭṭhalā*. Adults, teens and even little children soaking in the beautiful music joined in clap for most songs. The last *abhang* “*mayi sāvare rādhā nāci*” was scintillating beyond words. Anakha (Grade 5) could not resist playing the beats on her pretend tabla and Maya (Grade 1) drew a beautiful girl dancing with thoughts of baby *Kṛṣṇa* eating butter.

- Sumathi Iyengar



Member Reflections:

“It was magical and I could connect to a different world. I did not know how the time went by. It was a wonderful evening.”

- Reshma Rao

“Amazing, Amazing, Amazing. Manjushaji was the embodiment of energy. Don't know how to express the feeling. Through the music we could feel that way, even though it was cold nobody was complaining. About 2.5 hrs, it was absolutely mind blowing”

- Ravi Lote

“Manjushaji sang very well. The coordination with the accompanists was really amazing. Even the people in the back with the *mañjīrā* and the vocal accompaniment, it all came together very nicely.”

- Neel Lote

CMSD In The Community



Students of **Dr. Elizabeth Burke** from the **World Religions** class at **Grossmont College** came on a field visit to *Chinmaya Jyoti* on **September 24, 2024**. Lakshmi Aunty addressed the students and gave them an overview of '*Sanātana Dharma*'. Many topics were addressed starting with the ideology behind how one greets another with the posture of bowing saying 'Namaste', etymology of the word 'Hindu', how the Vedas came about, philosophy and practice of a religion, ideal behind the idol, Law of *Karma*, *Bhagavadgītā*, etc.

Many interesting questions from the participants on rebirth, difference between worship of a particular form and the formless, caste system, *Iṣṭa*, how to seek a *Guru*, etc., were also addressed with wit and humor of Pujya Gurudev Swami Chinmayananda, expressing the expansiveness and the richness of Hindu culture.

Students stayed behind even after the appointed time asking questions. They also got another treat of eating garbanzo beans sundal using their fingers. Some of them were very surprised by how much they liked the sundal, asked for the recipe and came back for second serve.

- Prem Venkatesan

CHYK Corner

Tenth Annual CMSD CHYK Meeting



The **August 10, 2024** Annual CMSD CHYK Alumni Meeting was a very successful gathering. The first part of the session was a discussion led by Sukumar Uncle on “Emotional Intelligence”; the discussion included references to *karma yoga*, comprehensive definitions on self-awareness/management and social awareness/empathy, as well as a contemporary framework for leadership as it relates to emotional intelligence. The second part of the session was in-depth discussion and staying engaged throughout the year, primarily through a study group especially for CMSD CHYKs Alumni. The meeting concluded with a brief summary discussion.

- Mihir Pandya

Reflection:

“One topic of discussion that I found interesting was the aspect of self-awareness. Knowing and observing my thoughts as I encounter various situations can aid in navigating those circumstances. Additionally, emotional intelligence has various aspects to it, and understanding them better can help with listening to others and allowing space for their thoughts, ideas, and feelings.”

- Harini Rangarajan

SV Corner

Celebrating Onam



SV Corner



BV Corner

Pre-K first day in class



Grade 1 Class Activity



Hindi Diwas 2024



BV Corner

Grade 2 *Gokulāṣṭamī* celebration**Chinmaya Pradipika Team**

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and the CMSD Photography Team