



JCYC PATHSHALA PHENOMENA

Pathshala returns to in-person format

- A big THANK YOU! to all our students, teachers and parents that have helped us successfully transition back to in-person classes. The glidepath that began in late January 2022 has completed with all the classes back to in-person format at the beginning of May.
- The 2021-2022 pathshala will end with the last class on June 5th.
- Parents are invited to volunteer in pathshala. We are looking to add to a variety of teaching and non-teaching positions.

Coming Soon...

- Registration for Pathshala 2022-2023 year starting early June 2022. First class to be held on September 18
- Graduation Garba on June 12 to celebrate completion of pathshala program by our seniors. Please RSVP to e-vite that has been sent out.
- 2 day religious summer shibir for children 9 and up. Dates to be announced soon.
- Sutra Classes will continue on Zoom during the 2022-2023 year with the first class held on September 24.



Students dress the part for their finals presentation during Indian Culture Class. Here student discusses the Festivals celebrated in the state of West Bengal.



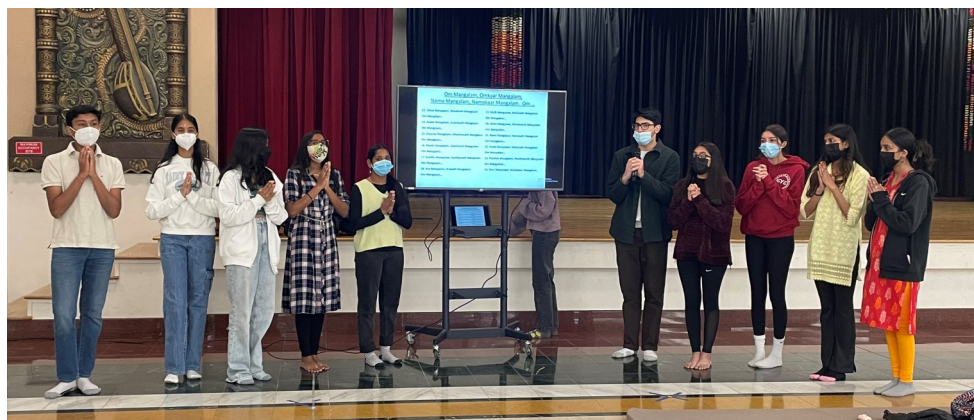
Children taking part in the Ashta Prakari Pooja Vidhi during the Anniversary Program

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Classes and Pathshala activities return to normal

New normal with in-person pathshala



Students and Teachers practice safety protocol by keeping masks on during class

It has taken some effort to getting used to going “back to normal”. Students have been most flexible, gathering as normal in the hall for Samuh Prathna and getting to class with their friends. Students and teachers have all been very proactive in keeping masks on during class time and using the sanitizers and wipes that are provided for each class.

Teachers have been able to improve the class experience with more interactive discussions and also hands on activities. Below the Life Balance class had a session on nutrition where the teacher and students explored easy ways to make salsa, which can be both nutritious and tasty.



Children take front seat at a number of JCSC Anniversary events

Children take part in Ashta Prakari Pooja and lead the procession



Children had an opportunity to take part in the Ashta Prakari pooja during JCSC's 34th anniversary. Close to 70 children took part in performing the Ashtaprakari pooja on the Bhagwan along the Bhomti. At the conclusion of the pooja, children participated in the Bhakti as well as Aarti.

Some of the students were well versed with the pooja while others had the opportunity to learn the pooja rituals by following guidance from their friends and parents.

Our children were also up early in the morning to take part in the procession that marked the beginning of the ceremonies leading up to the flag hoisting. Over 55 children took part in the procession. The youngest members led the procession waving flags while their parents joined followed them with music and dance.

Young boys carried the ashta mangal along the procession while young girls had the opportunity to carry a kalash.



Children celebrate Mahavir Janm Kalyanak



The toddler class welcomed the MJK culture program back with their rendition of “Jai Jinendra Bolo”.

Over 55 children participated in the program to celebrate the birth of Mahavir Bhagwan. The performances created a lively atmosphere in the main hall.

Our children displayed various forms of traditional dances. The Sutra class students demonstrated their ability to perform various pooja vidhi. The audience was taken back by their ability to say the sutras flawlessly. The senior class with other members of the Clubhouse also provided a lively energetic dance.



Clubhouse welcome students and parents back with in-person community events

Bringing the community together with Family Fun events



The Family Fun night brought out the dancers among the parents as they showed their moves.

Parents also got into a friendly competition where they demonstrated their ability to build the tallest possible tower using plastic cups. The towers also had to prove structural integrity by supporting a weight at the top.



In April the Clubhouse members revived the tradition of hosting "Holi on the Beach". Over 250 people attended the event. Families enjoyed playing with color and water while the clubhouse members and their parents prepared sandwiches, roasted corn and other delights for the attendees.

Both events drew in all the members of the families, from grandparents to little children. After two years of social distancing, families were excited to enjoy the great weather and interact with friends and peers

in an outdoor event.

Word Search

See if you can identify these items that can be seen inside the temple. The words are in Gujarati/Hindi, so keep that in mind as you solve the puzzle.

What you see when visiting the temple

A K H A M A A S A N A M A D A
M N D I V O H A A A N A C M A
U A N A H S R A D P O O H D A
L A S H B H A K T O M D A H G
N I A C H T B H A G W A N A A
A N A B S A V E D P A R D S M
Y V B R S A D H U B A P A A M
A C H A A M A R V K O A N M A
K P O O J A D H T B H N A V N
G C M S G P G A B H A R A O D
A A T H H G H A D A A M I S I
A M I T A R P S A N H A P A R
R Y A H N G N L A D I A S R R
T A K T T L M A P A G L A A A
I D I G N A A R A R N A T N A

Bhagwan

Darpan

Mulnayak

Dev

Bhomti

Chandan

Pooja

Bhandar

Paglaa

Samvosaran

Ghant

Divo

Sadhu

Chaamar

Darshan

Khamaasana

Bhakt

Maala

Pratima

Dhoop

Aangi

Gabhara

Aagam Mandir

Aarti

We want to hear from you

As we move forward with the Pathshala phenomena, we want to incorporate more of the things that matter to the pathshala community. Let us know if there is a particular topic or story you would like us to cover or highlight. Send us some photos and a little narrative of an occasion that you know of that we should share with the readers.

Send your ideas to pathshala@jaincenter.org Put “suggestions for the Phenomena” in the subject line.

Volunteer at Pathshala

As we continue to grow our program, we are looking for more volunteers for both teaching and non-teaching positions. **We need individuals that are considerate, curious and creative. Please complete the [attached form](#) to apply. There will be an interview process.**

[Volunteer Interest for JCYC \(google.com\)](#)

Teaching Positions

We are looking for teachers for each of the following segment. Training will be provided as needed.

Religion teachers

Gujarati teachers

Sutra teachers

Hindi teachers

If you are able to connect with children and would like to give back to our youth, apply for a teaching position. We are looking to recruit from both our first and second generation community members!

Non-Teaching positions

Traffic management

Administration support during pathshala days

Communication support

Technology and registration support

Administration Support

Event support

Pathshala Contacts

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Manali Shah

Hindi Lead: Ritu Jain

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Mahavir Jain

Life Balance: Hina Shah

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Toastmasters: Deven Shah

Snack Duty: Ritesh Desai

STEAM Class: Rupal Shah

JCYC Clubhouse:

Clubhouse Coordinators:
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