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## PEHLA PARKAASH SRI GURU GRANTH SAHIB JI

SGSSS celebrated the Pehla Parkash of Dhan Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji Maharaj with having an Akhand Paaths and Kirtan smagams at both Gurdwaras. We would like to thank all the sangat and sevadaars who joined us. The smagams featured many Kirtanis, Kathavachaks and Dhadi Jathe including Sant Anoop Singh Ji Una Sahib, Sant Gurdial Singh Ji Tande Vale, Bhai Gurpreet Singh Ji Shimla Vale, Bhai Karaj Singh Ji Hazoori Raagi Darbar Sahib, Bhai Jagtar Singh Ji Jammu Vale, Bhai Surjeet Singh Ji Rasila Bangla Sahib Vale, Dhadi Bhai Rasal Singh Chola Sahib Vale, Giani Sukhjeevan Singh Ji.

## SGSSS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



On Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 the General Body Meeting took place at Park Avenue. This was a chance for the Parbandhak sevadaars to update the sangat on progress and achievements in the last year and outline future plans for the Sabha. Sangat also had the

opportunity to ask questions. The General Secretary's and Treasurers report will be available on the Gurdwaras website.

## GURBANI SANTHIA BHOG



On Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September the Bhog for Gurbani Santhiya was performed in Sangat roop by Giani Shamsher Singh Ji and Vidhiyarthi of the Santhiya Class. The aim of the class is to learn the correct pronunciations of Gurmukhi.

## SPORTS DAY / KHED MELA



SGSSS alongside the sevadaars of Mael Gael organised a two-day sports day for all ages at Norwood Hall. This was a chance for sangat and many organisations and Gurdwaras to participate and compete in many sports events including Gatka, Football, Cricket, Volleyball, Kabaddi

(Panjab Style and National Style), Tug of War, Shotput and Athletics. Competitors and teams came from across the United Kingdom, trophies and medals were presented to the winning teams and individuals who finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in their respected events.

The main aim of this event was to promote unity and healthy living. The sports day will be held annually and next year we urge more participants to join us and we hope to add other sporting events.

## DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD ENROLMENT BEGINS

SGSSS has started the process of enrolling the youth onto the Duke of Edinburgh Award which is now being provided for the first time in the Gurdwaras history. On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September a presentation was given by Navraj Singh giving an insight to parents and young children who are interested in getting involved.

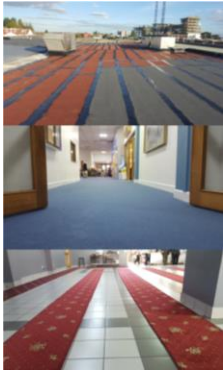


We had a positive response from the sangat and many children have signed up. We also welcome volunteers who would like to help get involved in the running of the programme and also invite young children from the sangat to register and take up this fantastic opportunity. For further information please contact the

office at SGSSS Park Avenue from 9:30am – 5pm every day or email [doe@sgsss.org](mailto:doe@sgsss.org)

### PARK AVENUE MAINTENANCE

In recent months we have required some major repairs to the Roof at SGSSS Park Avenue. With winter fast approaching maintenance staff and members of the sangat have helped improve the condition of the roof. Areas that were weakened or damaged have now been restored and have minimised potential leaks and major damages to the interior. *New carpet has been installed in the entrance foyer at SGSSS as well as new langar mats.*



### SGSSS FINANCE MEETING

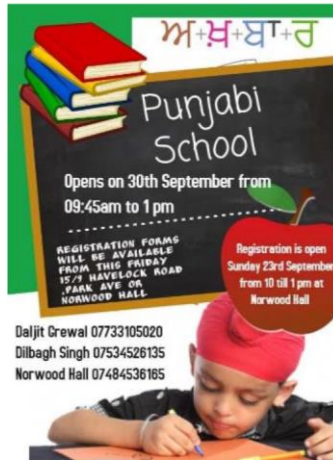


In the interest of increasing transparency and improving accountability members of the sangat were invited to an open meeting with the General Secretary and Treasurer to discuss the Gurdwaras Finances. SGSSS held its second Finance meeting at Park Avenue Gurdwara on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018. The trustees have a duty to ensure every penny is spent wisely and reported accurately. This meeting provided the opportunity for sangat to look through the financial accounts, check any receipts and invoices. Sangat who attended provided useful views and suggestions. The sangat is always welcome to email or meet the General Secretary and Treasurer to discuss any questions of concerns they may have.

### PANJABI SCHOOL NEW TERM BEGINS

Punjabi School has reopened for the new academic year at Norwood Hall.

The classes are held every Sunday from 9:45am – 1pm. Any parents wishing to enroll children can complete registrations



forms available to them at Norwood Hall, SGSSS Park Avenue & Havelock Road offices. We would like to wish the staff and students a successful year and thank parents for their continued support which keep the classes running. For more details regarding classes and enrolling children please find contact details on poster below.



### 'KIDSPACE' IN LIBRARY

A new area called 'Kidspace' has been set up in the library of SGSSS Havelock Road. The Kidspace sessions will aim to make your child's Gurdwara visit more purposeful so that they go home having learnt something new about Sikhi, themselves and academic skills. Every Wednesday's "Stories and Play" takes place from 10-11am, the session is for babies and toddlers with parents. Kids Club will take place on the first Friday of every month, with activities for school-aged children.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 26<sup>th</sup> October GURPURAB Avtar Purb Sri Guru Raam Das Ji
- 31<sup>st</sup> October Bhai Beant Singh Shaheedi
- 7<sup>th</sup> November Bandhi Shor Diwas (Diwali)
- Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Mata Sahib Kaur Program
- Nagar Kirtan - Sunday 18th November 2018
- Amrit Sanchar Sunday 25th November SGSSS Park Avenue

### STAY UPDATED

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