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Sundarkand Paath

11th April 2026

The Vedic and Cultural Centre of Australia organised a **Sundarkand Paath** on **11 April 2026** at the **Quakers Hill Neighbourhood Centre**, Quakers Hill, NSW. The sacred recitation was led by the Sankatmochan Group, who chanted the divine *shlokas* from the **Sundarkand of Tulsidas Ramayan**, invoking the blessings of **Hanuman Ji** and **Siya Ram Ji**. The spiritually uplifting programme was followed by devotional **bhajans**, **aarti**, and the distribution of **Bhojan Prasad**, providing devotees with an opportunity to come together in prayer, devotion, and fellowship.



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The Ponds VHP Sanskrit School 10th Anniversary

19th April 2026

The Ponds branch of VHP Sanskrit School celebrated its 10th Anniversary with a grand function held at The Ponds High School Hall on 19 April 2026. As the highlight of the evening, the students presented the **Bāla Kāṇḍa** episode from the **Vālmīki Rāmāyaṇa**, performing the entire enactment in Sanskrit with remarkable enthusiasm and dedication. The chief guests for the occasion were Ms Jenny Weal, Principal of The Ponds High School, and Mrs Jeanie Brown, Principal of Riverbank Public School.



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Sri Adi Sankara Jayanthi & Sri Ramanuja Jayanthi

21st April 2026

The Vedic and Cultural Centre of Australia organised the sacred celebrations of Sri Adi Sankara Jayanthi and Sri Ramanuja Jayanthi on 21st April 2026 at Sri Ramakrishna Mandir, Austral.



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Sri Lalitha Sahasranaama Lakshaarchana
2nd May 2026

The Vedic and Cultural Centre of Australia organised its annual event, **Sri Lalitha Sahasranama Laksharchana**, on **2 May 2026** at the **Quakers Hill Community Centre, NSW**.



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HOTA Forum - Follow-up Action Items Meeting
13th May 2026

On 13 May 2026, members of HOTA NSW came together to review and discuss the follow-up actions arising from the decisions made at the HOTA Annual Meeting held in March 2026. The decision-making guidelines were presented by Swami Vigyananand Ji, International Coordinator of VHP Bharat.



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International Yoga Day
21st June 2026

The VHP Sanskrit School branches commemorated International Yoga Day on 21 June 2026 by organising celebrations across their respective campuses. At the Homebush branch, the event was honoured by the presence of Councillor Benjamin Chai, Mayor of Strathfield Council, and Councillor Sandhya Reddy, Deputy Mayor of Strathfield Council, as distinguished guests.



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VHP Sanskrit School Shloka Competition
27th & 28th June 2026

The annual Shloka Competition for 2026 was held on 27 June at The Ponds High School and on 28 June at Homebush Boys High School. More than 130 children participated in the competition, demonstrating their dedication by memorising and reciting shlokas and chapters from the *Bhagavad Gita* before a panel of judges.



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Vishnu Sahasranaama Class April-June 2026 (in progress)

The on-line Vishnu Sahasranaama class commenced on the last week of March 2026 and expected to complete by mid August.



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Forthcoming Events NSW

Online Classes on **Shivananda Lahari** are planned from mid-August 2026 based on number of interests. Interested people may please email their details to info@vcca.net.au ASAP.

30th August 2026: **Raksha Bandhan** event will be organised by the HOTA Host AHA.

12th September 2026: **VHP Sanskrit School Anniversary** function

26th September 2026: **Sri Vishnu Sahasranaama Lakshaarchana** will be organised by VCCA

28th November 2026: **Sri Ekadasha Rudram** will be organised by VCCA

Further details on each event will be sent closer to the date.

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VHP Australia NSW is looking into recruiting more volunteers for their Hindu Dharma Teaching programme at the NSW Public Schools. Interested people, may please email their requests to vhpsnw@vhp.org.au or contact

Smt Akila Ramarathinam on 0450 117 372 or Smt Shalini Chordia on 0470 176 555

Who teaches Hindu Dharma?

- Trained voluntary teachers,
- Mostly parents of studying children
- Undergo mandatory Working with Children Checks
- Good knowledge of Hindu values and traditions
- Regular on-going annual training

Why choose Hindu Dharma?

- Children migrated from overseas get to learn their culture, heritage, ethics and moral values.
- Continuing the link with Hindu Heritage and mother country
- Understand, celebrate and promote Hindu Festivals in schools
- Maintain high self-esteem with good Hindu heritage knowledge.
- **PROMOTE PEACE, HARMONY AND DEMOCRATIC VALUES**

What is taught in Hindu Dharma?

- Authorized curriculum with Lesson Plan, Term Syllabus, Materials, Scope and Sequence.
- Covering Ramayana, Mahabharata, Bhagavatam stories
- Chanting Shlokas
- Relevance of Hindu Festivals
- All with use of visuals and activities





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VHP SANSKRIT SCHOOL

Now Open for Registration

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- Basics of Sanskrit
- Sanskrit Poems and Pronunciation
- Grammar and Writing Skills
- Cultural Teachings

**EVERY SUNDAY
2:45-5:00PM**

**ROSLEA PUBLIC SCHOOL,
CARLINGFORD**

This community language program has been approved by the Department of Education NSW

CONTACT:
• UMA GUNDAPPA: BRANCH COORDINATOR @0431195900
• AKILA RAMARATHINAM: GENERAL SECRETARY @0450117372

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**VHP SANSKRIT SCHOOL
(COMMUNITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL, DEPT OF EDUCATION)**

Classes at Waitara Public School, Wahroonga

DAY	TIME	AGE GROUP	CLASS
Friday	3.20 pm to 5.20 pm	4-17 Years	Sanskrit Poems, Speaking, Reading & Writing

For More Details Contact:
Amita Saxena 0404 872 120

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**VHP SANSKRIT SCHOOL
(COMMUNITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL, DEPT OF EDUCATION)**

Classes at Metella Rd Public School, Toongabbie

DAY	TIME	AGE GROUP	CLASS
Sunday	1.30 pm to 4.00 pm	4-17 Years	Sanskrit Poems, Speaking, Reading & Writing

For More Details Contact:
Bhuvana Sampath 0469 900 991
Akila Ramarathinam 0450 117 372

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**VHP SANSKRIT SCHOOL
(COMMUNITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL, DEPT OF EDUCATION)**

Classes at The Ponds HS, The Ponds, NSW 2769

DAY	TIME	AGE GROUP	CLASS
Saturday	2.00 pm to 4.00 pm	4-17 Years	Sanskrit Poems, Speaking, Reading & Writing

For more details contact:
Akila Ramarathinam 0450 117 372

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**VHP SANSKRIT SCHOOL
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Classes at Nuwarra Public School, Moorebank

DAY	TIME	AGE GROUP	CLASS
Sunday	1.30 pm to 4.00 pm	4-17 Years	Sanskrit Poems, Speaking, Reading & Writing

For More Details Contact:
Rama Viswanathan 0434 213 020
Uma Rajesh 0412 926 524

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**HOMERUSH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL,
BRIDGE ROAD**

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CONTACT:
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