

VHP Australia NSW Newsletter

Jan - Mar, 2025

VHP Sanskrit School Open Day & Hayagriva Puja

9th Feb 2025

VHP Australia successfully organised the **Sanskrit School Open Day** on 9th February 2025, marking a beautiful beginning to the new academic term.

The event commenced with the **auspicious Hayagriva Puja**, invoking the blessings of Lord Hayagriva, the deity of knowledge and wisdom. Children, parents, and volunteers gathered in a spiritual atmosphere filled with devotion and enthusiasm.

All children actively **participated in the puja rituals**, chanting Sanskrit shlokas with sincerity and reverence. Their enthusiastic involvement reflected the values of cultural pride and spiritual grounding that VHP Sanskrit Schools aim to instill from a young age.



As a gesture of encouragement, **notebooks and pencils were distributed** to all the participating children, symbolising a fresh and blessed start to their learning journey.



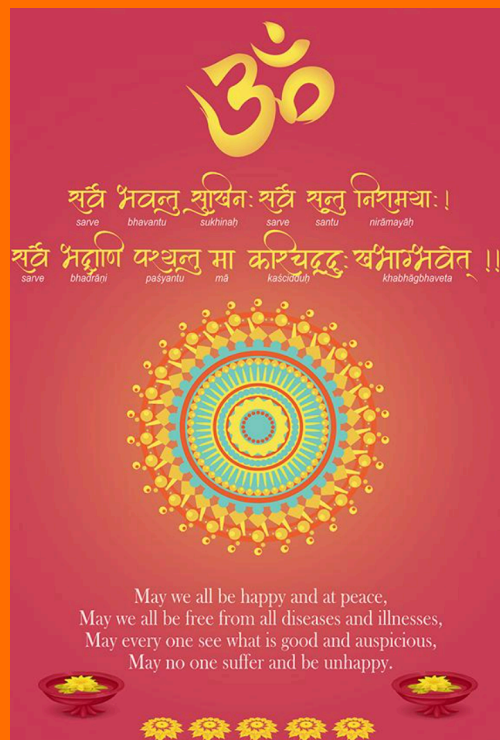
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Teacher's Training Day

Building a strong foundation with Hindu values

Details are on page 6 and 7.



The event not only celebrated the beginning of the academic year but also strengthened the bond between families, teachers, and the larger community committed to preserving and promoting Sanskrit and Indian culture in Australia.



HOTA Representatives Meeting with NSW Multicultural Minister

17th Feb 2025

Representatives from the HOTA Forum recently had the opportunity to meet with the Hon. Stephen Kamper MP, NSW Minister for Multiculturalism. During the meeting, discussions focused on the Multicultural Diwali event, particularly the importance of inclusivity, meaningful representation, and broader community engagement. Also raised the need for increased representation of Hindu community members on the NSW Multicultural Advisory Board, ensuring that the voices and concerns of one of the state's largest faith-based communities are adequately heard and reflected in policy making.

In a spirit of collaboration, the HOTA Forum also offered its full support and assistance to the Department in planning and executing future Hindu cultural and religious events.



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BAPS Swaminarayan Mandir, Kemps Creek Inauguration

March, 2025

VHP Australia proudly participated in the **month-long inauguration celebrations** organised by **BAPS Swaminarayan Mandir** to mark the **grand opening of their new temple at Kemps Creek, NSW**. The series of events, held over several weeks, reflected the spirit of devotion, cultural richness, and community unity that characterise the Hindu way of life.



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The participation of VHP highlighted the deep bonds of **fraternity and cooperation** among Hindu organisations in Australia, and reaffirmed a shared commitment to promoting **dharma, seva, and cultural values** within the wider Australian society.

VHP Australia congratulates **BAPS** on this historic milestone and looks forward to continuing collaborative efforts to serve and uplift the Hindu community.



VHP Sanskrit School Teachers Training

22 March, 2025

VHP Australia conducted a comprehensive **Teachers Training Program** for over **130 educators**, including **VHP Sanskrit School teachers** and **Hindu Dharma Special Religious Education (SRE) teachers**. The one-day event was held with the objective of enhancing teaching capabilities, promoting professional development, and ensuring the delivery of high-quality education aligned with VHP Australia's curriculum and values.

A special highlight of the day was an insightful **presentation on the Maheshwara Sutras**, which form the foundational structure of **Sanskrit grammar**, offering participants a deeper understanding of the linguistic beauty and precision of the Sanskrit language.



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The training program encompassed a diverse range of topics, including:

- Classroom management strategies
- Student engagement methods
- Child protection awareness
- Innovative teaching methodologies
- Effective deployment of Hindu Dharma topics in classroom settings
- Implementation of VHP Australia's SRE curriculum and Sanskrit School syllabus in an age-appropriate and culturally sensitive manner.

The event was graced by **Hon. Chris Bowen MP**, Federal Minister for Climate Change and Energy, who presented **certificates of participation** to all the attending teachers and expressed appreciation for their voluntary service in nurturing cultural and spiritual education.

Other distinguished guests included **Mr. Murray Norman**, CEO of **Better Balanced Futures**, and **Ms. Karra Matthews**, Education Officer, both of whom shared valuable insights and extended their support to the work being done by VHP Australia in the field of religious education.

The training program marked an important step in strengthening the teaching community within the Hindu diaspora and reaffirmed VHP Australia's commitment to delivering **high-quality, values-based education**.



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Embrace Equality - JET Australia Foundation

28 March, 2025

Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) Australia was honoured to participate in the “**Embrace Equality**” event, organised by the **JET Australia Foundation** on 28th March 2025.

The event was graced by His Holiness Sri Sri Sri Tridandi Chinna Srimannarayana Ramanuja Jeeyar Swamiji, whose divine presence and spiritual message left a lasting impression on all in attendance. His Holiness beautifully conveyed the essence of equality as envisioned in Sanatana Dharma — seeing divinity in all and treating every being with respect and compassion.



The program brought together **leaders from various faiths, community organisations, and dignitaries**, all standing united in support of equality, respect, and spiritual harmony.






Forthcoming Events NSW

Sri Adi Shankara & Sri Ramanuja Jayanthi Friday, 2nd May 2025

VHP Australia invites everyone to participate in the upcoming celebrations of two great spiritual luminaries: ॐ Adi Shankara Jayanthi and ॐ Sri Ramanuja Jayanthi

Link to Register: <https://forms.gle/tXJBuMUF6uxLrLfH7>



ॐ श्री गुरुभ्यो नमः

Sri Adi Shankara Jayanthi & Sri Ramanuja Jayanthi 2025

Venue:
Shree Ram Krishna Temple,
275 Fifteenth Avenue, Austral, NSW 2179

Date:
Friday 2nd May 2025

Time:
7 am -1 pm, followed by prasadam

Program for the day:

- Ekadasha Rudra Japam
- Rudra Homam
- Abhishekam
- Shri Sankaracharya Ashtottram
- Shri Ramanujacharya Ashtottram

Sponsorship for the event would be as follows:

Regular sponsor - \$101
Fruits/Flower and puja items - \$251

Bank details:

Acct Name: Vedic and Cultural Centre of
Australia
BSB: 062 000 Acct: 1467 2533

Please registrar for participation:
<https://forms.gle/tXJBuMUF6uxLrLfH7>

For any queries, please contact:
Krishnamurthy Venkataraman
(M: 0434 523 968)
Anand siva (M:0433 469 663)
Sreevatsa (M: 0470 563 310)
Raman (M: 0423 583 452)
or email info@vcca.net.au

8th Australian National Hindu Conference, Perth

Saturday, 3rd May 2025

The **8th Australian National Hindu Conference** will be held in **Perth**, bringing together Hindu leaders, thinkers, educators, youth, and professionals from across Australia. This national platform will serve as a forum for collaboration, dialogue, and action in shaping the future of the Hindu community in Australia.



**8th Australian National
Hindu Conference**

Duxton Hotel, Perth
Saturday, 3rd May 2025

**Dynamic Communities:
Vibrant Australia**

Organised by:

Vishva Hindu Parishad of Australia Inc.
For sponsorship and registration details:
conference@vhp.org.au
Praveena Mittal 0423 084 641
www.vhp.org.au

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International Geeta Mahotsav 2025, Sydney

Saturday, 3rd and 4th May 2025

A community-driven celebration of one of the world's most profound and timeless scriptures, the Bhagavad Gita.

IGM 2025 promises two days of spiritual enlightenment, cultural vibrance, and collective devotion, uniting people from all walks of life in honour of Sanatana Dharma's eternal message.

Register Here 👉 <https://igm2025.eventbrite.com.au>



Gita Manishi Swami
Shri Gyananand Ji Maharaj

We are delighted to invite you
to a special event



GITA IN DAILY LIFE

FROM
KNOWLEDGE
TO PRACTICE

INTERNATIONAL GITA MAHOTSAV

A 2-day life-changing event in Sydney

Programs

May 3, 2025

Seminar & Presentations 10:30 AM to 2:00 PM

📍 University of Western Sydney Auditorium, Parramatta South Campus, Building EE, Room G.19

May 4, 2025

Gita Yagya 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

📍 Sri Mandir, Auburn, NSW

Gita Aarti and Cultural Programs 4:30 PM to 8:00 PM

📍 Parramatta River Foreshore, Parramatta

Prasad will be served

www.igm2025.com.au

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WHEF 2025 @ Adelaide. Pre-Launch in Sydney

Tuesday, 6th May 2025

The **Pre-Launch of World Hindu Economic Forum (WHEF) Australia 2025**, which will be hosted in **Adelaide**, South Australia.

This pre-launch event marks the beginning of a significant journey towards **WHEF 2025**, a global platform bringing together Hindu industrialists, entrepreneurs, economists, professionals, and thought leaders to collaborate and contribute towards global prosperity.

Register here 🙌

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hindu-economic-forum-hef-network-meeting-and-whef-conference-launch-tickets-1320691326309>



PRE-LAUNCH PROMO OF WHEF 2025 @ ADELAIDE

www.wheforum.org

FREE EVENT
6 May 2025
Tuesday

**The Regency Function Centre
Regents Park NSW**



**Guest of Honour
Swami Vigyananand ji**
Founder & Chairman WHEF

Swami ji will highlight the WHEF 2025 focus & its significance. He will also be talking about his latest book **"The Hindu Manifesto"** which will be released on 26 Apr25 in New Delhi

WHEF 2025 Focus

Opportunities in Emerging Markets	Technology and Innovation Economy	Case Studies: Hindu Entrepreneurship
Financial Markets & Services	Sector-Based Panel Discussions	Start-up Ecosystems

Showcase Your Business @WHEF 2025 Australia

Become a Sponsor - Maximize Brand Visibility - Be an Exhibitor
Present your Business to Key Decision-Makers

Why Attend?

- WHEF 2025 Global Exposure - Connect with entrepreneurs & investors worldwide.
- Elite Networking - Engage with top business leaders.
- New Opportunities - Explore fresh markets & investments.

Discover more about "WHEF2025"
Tuesday 6 May @6.00PM Scan QR to Register Now:
The Regency Function Centre Unit 8/18 George Young St Regents Park NSW
Plenty of Parking at the venue



FREE Event

REGISTER NOW

RSVP: NSW@hefaustralia.com

Kapil Bajaj 0425290316 Balu Moothedath 0499999747 Kedamath Pagadinnimath 0452401956 Sandeep Malik 0410803567 Rajneesh Sharma 0420472280
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Vijaya Joshi 0433339345 Yateendra Gupta 0421 590 791 Saroj Shah 0468 49 7041

www.HEFAustralia.com www.hindueconomy.org

Sri Lalitha Sahasranaama Lakshaarchana

Saturday, 10th May 2025

VHP Australia invites devotees to participate in the **Sri Lalitha Sahasranama Lakshaarchana**, a sacred and powerful group chanting event in honour of **Sri Lalitha Tripura Sundari Devi**, the Divine Mother and embodiment of Shakti.

Register here 🙌 <https://forms.gle/9LzqqAvkgFeWQrbR9>

LALITHA SAHASRANAAMA LAKSHAARCHANA


Conducted by Vedic and Cultural Centre of Australia
Promoting Vedic Culture in day to day living



FREE EVENT



Date: Saturday 10 May 2025
Time: 4 pm to 7 pm
Venue: Quakers Hill Community Centre, Lalor Road, Quakers Hill



For further details Contact :

- ❖ Jayanthi – 0414 349 196
- ❖ Raman – 0423 583 452
- ❖ Anand Siva – 0433 469 663
- ❖ Sreevatsa – 0470563310

Sri Lalitha Sahasranaama is a hymn that describes the 1000 various names of Sree Lalitha and praises God as the Divine Mother or God's Shakti or Power. The recitation of Sri Lalitha Sahasranaama Stotram is believed to bring blessings, protection, and spiritual upliftment to the devotee.

Please Register for the event
<https://forms.gle/9LzqqAvkgFeWQrbR9>

Devotees to bring
Puja Plate, Puja Cup, Flowers,
Fruits and Kumkum

Prasadam will be served

DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS WELCOME

Bank: CBA || Acct Name: Vedic Education Building Trust (ABN: 74 920 776 643) || BSB: 062 000 || Account 1467 2533
Email: info@vcca.net.au || website: www.vcca.org.au

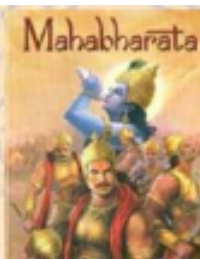
Volunteers required !!!

Hindu Dharma Teaching Programme

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 vhpnsw@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



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

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**



Locations for Sanskrit & Shloka Classes

VHP Sanskrit School conducts Sanskrit and Shloka classes for school children at the following locations. Interested parents can contact the coordinators of the respective branch for further details.

Day (Weekly during school terms)	Time	Location	Program Offering	Contact Name	Contact Phone
Saturday	2:00pm to 4:30pm	The Ponds High school	BSK	Jayanthi Thilak	0414 349 196
		180, Riverbank Dr, The Ponds		Akila Ramarathinam	0450 117 372
Sunday	1:30pm to 5:00pm	Nuwarra Public school	BSK	Rama Viswanathan	0434 213 020
		Mckay Ave, Moorebank		Uma Rajesh	0412 926 524
Sunday	1:30pm to 4:30pm	Metella Road Public School	BSK	Jayanthi Thilak	0414 349 196
		Entrance via Cornelia Rd, Toongabbie		Bhuvana Sampath	0469 900 991
Sunday	3.30 pm to 6.30 pm	Roselea Public School	BSK	Uma Gundappa	0411 959 050
		Carlingford		Akila Ramarathinam	0450 117 372
Sunday	2.00pm to 5:30pm	Homebush Boys High School	BSK	S Ramarathinam	0418 407 843
		Bridge Road, Homebush		Shruthi Prasad	0491 107 064
Friday	3:15pm to 5:15pm	Waitara Public school	BSK	Amita Saxena	02 94895949
Sunday	2:00pm to 4:00pm	68, Edgeworth David Ave, Wahroonga		Pradeep Saxena	0437 046 188
Monday	3:15pm to 5:15pm	Hornsby South Public School	BSK	Amita Saxena	02 94895949
		57-63 Clarke Road, Hornsby		Pradeep Saxena	0437 046 188
Weekday Evenings	7.30pm to 9.30 pm	ONLINE - Samskrita Sambhashanam & others		Akila Ramarathinam	0450 117 372
Sunday	5:00pm to 7:00pm	ONLINE - Veda Basics	SVP	Raman Swaminathan	0423 583 452
Tuesday	7.45pm to 8.45pm	ONLINE - Veda Basics	SVP	Subramanian	0425 284 501
	7.30pm to 8.45 pm	ONLINE - Advanced Veda	VCCA	S.Ramarathinam	0418 407 843
Wednesday	7.45pm to 8.45pm	ONLINE - Vishnu / Lalitha Sahasranaamam	VCCA	S.Ramarathinam	0418 407 843
				Subramanian	0425 284 501

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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 @0411959050
- AKILA RAMARATHINAM- GENERAL SECRETARY @0450117372

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**HOME BUSH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL,
BRIDGE ROAD**

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

CONTACT:

- S RAMARATHINAM @0418407843
- SHRUTHI PRASAD @0491107064

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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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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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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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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