

HAPPENNINGS AT AVG DURING MARCH-APRIL 2017

GROUP OF VISITORS FROM JAPAN: Mukti and a group of visitors from Japan visited the Gurukulam on March 25, 2017. They stayed at the Gurukulam for a week.



Japanese Visitors

SRI RAMA NAVAMI: On April 5, 2017, Rama Navami was celebrated at AVG with the invocation of Lord Rama in the picture and sodasa upacara puja was performed to get His blessings.



Panguni Uttiram Puja

PANGUNI UTTIRAM: Tradition says on this day -when moon transit from star utara-phalguni in the last month of Tamil calendar Panguni- celestial weddings take place, in specific marriage of Lord Subramanya . As an annual event all temples take their utsava murthis to the kalyana mandapam of the temple and perform the marriage of the presiding God and Goddess there.



Rama Navami Puja

On April 9, 2017, at AVG Sri Kalyana Subramania temple, situated at hill top, Lord Muruga , Goddess Valli and Goddess Deivanai puja, ekadasa rudra abhisheka and sahasra nama archana were done.

TAMIL NEW YEAR: On April 14, 2017, at Sri Medha Dakshinamurthy temple, Ganapathy Homa and ekadasa drvya abhisheka were performed. Special puja was done at Sri Kalyana Subramania temple. At Guru Tirtha -Swami Dayananda Memorial - an altar of Chittirai kani or Vishu kani was setup. Swami Sadatmananda, Chief Acharya and Swami Shankarananda blessed the students and visitors in the morning with vishu-kai-neettam, a tradion followed in Kerala on this day.

Rangoli (or kolam in Tamil) is an art bringing out the creativity of traditional ladies of the house and is usually put at the entrance of the house as well as in front of the altar of Ishvara. It is significant the foreign students at AVG have become expert in this art, as shown in the picture drawn by Brni. Sumukee. Even the Greetings in Tamil 'Tamil Puthandu Valthugal' was written by her. The Japanese and Chinese students in the long term course, do excel in the art of kolam.

As usual Large number of devotees visited the Gurukulam on this day and got the blessings from Lord and Acaryas, culminating in grant biksha.



Blessings from Acarya



Rangoli by Brni. Sumukee

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

RESIDENTIAL MUSICAL CAMP BY M.S.DARSHANA: Camp dates April 21, 2017 to April 27, 2017.

SHANKARA JAYANTHI: April 30, 2017.

SWAMI PARAMARTHANANDA'S YAGNA AT BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN, R S PURAM, COIMBATORE: From April 30, 2017 to May 6, 2017 in the evenings Uddava Gita. From May 1, 2017 to May 6, 2017 in the mornings Vedanta Dindima.

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