

## 2017 CHILDRENS' SUMMER CAMPS AT SAYLORSBURG PA. U.S.A.

The Summer Camps in Saylorsburg were held from July 9<sup>th</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> September.

The first and the second Children's Camps were from July 9<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>. In these camps, children took active part in all the classes - Chanting, Vedic Heritage, Sanskrit, Yoga and Meditation. Avani Taylor had satsang with children; Slokas and Vedic Heritage were taught by Bri. Radha, Bri. Girija, and Nilofer Giri; Sanskrit by Br. Suryanarayanan, yoga by Mr. Lance Daniel. The cultural shows, at the end of each camp, were showcased by Savithri aunty, Radha and Girija. Since the children were unaccompanied by parents they were taken care of by counsellors. The programs were assisted by Rita Shah, Kirthika Dave, Jalpa Patel, Sowmya Subramaniam, Ramesh, Sashi Prasad, Nagendra Singh, Hasit Parik, Mr. & Mrs. Pramod Adi. Field trips were arranged during the camps.



**CAMP CHILDREN WITH SWAMIJI**



**DANCE**

Children participated in the 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Celebrations of the Gurukulam on August 13. The highlight of the program was the staging of Yaksha Prashana from Mahabharata by the children. Active participation by children in the anniversary was the first of its kind since the inception of the Gurukulam Anniversary Celebrations 30 years ago.



**VEDIC HERITAGE**



**YOGA SESSION**



**RAMAYANA**



**PARTICIPANTS IN THE CAMP**

### **The Patrons' Vedanta course 1**

The children of the camp were taught Vedic Heritage and Chanting. Janmastami was celebrated with great enthusiasm by the children of the camp.

In the Purna Vidya teachers Training program, interested parents, professionals and house holders were trained on the methods to conduct Purna Vidya Classes. Swami Pratyabodhananda unfolded Bhagavadgita verses from second chapter.

Mrs. Savithri Mani taught Bhajans for the campers. Meditation classes were conducted by Bri. Girija. Chanting classes and puja demonstration for the participants were conducted by Bri. Radha. There was a cultural show organised by the participants at the end of the camp.

### **The Patrons' Vedanta course 2**

The Children of the camp were taught Chanting, Vedic Heritage and Meditation by Bri. Radha, Bri. Girija & Br. Suryanarayanan. The camp ended with a cultural show.

On the whole summer camps were organized and conducted well with the support of priest Sri. Ganesan and Sri. Ravichandran. Sri. Ramachandran, Tara Ben and their team providing sumptuous food; and Suddhatmaji and his team helping in accommodation for the children and their family.

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