

Report on the 2015 Summer Retreats for the Children, Sayalorsburg, P.A, USA.



Vedhic Heritage Class

The retreat for children started on 12th July and ended on 23rd August 2015 with the Purna vidya teachers' training program. There were 5 retreats conducted in six weeks. In the first two retreats the children were unaccompanied by parents. In these two retreats children were taught Vedic chanting, Vedic Heritage, Yoga and Arts & Craft. The unaccompanied children were taken care of by the counselors. The teachers were Savithri Mani, Bri. Radha, Bri. Girija, Lance Daniel, Babita Thakker, Saumya Campen, Dharma Prakash, Ishwarya, Smt. Usha Chandrasekar, Br. Surya Narayana and Om Arora. The counselors were Babita, Saumya Campen Rita Shah, Priya Suresh, Bala Murty, Hasit Parikh, Utpala Kinare, Surya Schwart and Vasiliki. The retreat concluded with cultural show organised by Savithri Mani, Radha, Girija and Ishwarya. The children exhibited their talents. The highlight of the retreats was dance on Sampurna Ramayana, Sanskrit Drama, Lamp Dance,

Punyakoti Drama, and story of BarBarika. In all the retreats children were taken for a field trip. The children also had question& answer session with Swami Veditatmanandaji.

The next two retreats were Family Vedanta course in which

Swami Veditatmandaji took vivekacūḍāmaṇi verse 165 onwards, muṇḍakopaniṣad. 1-1-7 onwards kaṭhōpāniṣad and bhagavadgītā 6th chapter continued.

Swami Pratyagbodhanandaji unfolded selected verses from Bhaja Govindam & Gaṇapatyatharvaśirṣopaniṣad .

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Cultural Event



Food Court Discussions

Dharma Prakash, Om Arora, Vasiliki, & Terry Coe. The retreats ended with a Cultural show by the children organised by Savithri Mani, Bri Radha & Bri. Girija. The

highlight of the program was the dance for Pujya Swamiji's Aim for Seva-Theme song. In all these retreats a sumptuous food was served by Chef Ramachandran and his team. The children attended the evening arti on all days guided by Saumya Campen. The retreats went successfully with the all-round support by the Manager Sri Suddhatmaji.

The Purna Vidya teachers training program-Swami Pratyagbodhanandaji enlightened the teachers on the importance of Puja . The teachers were exposed to guided meditation, chanting, bhajans and video classes of Pujya Swamiji on Purna Vidya. The teachers presented a beautiful cultural show to exhibit their talents.

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