



# Guru Nanak Multi Academy Trust Ltd

Incorporating:  
Nanaksar Primary School &  
Guru Nanak Sikh Academy  
Founder – Sant Baba Amar Singh Ji

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## **GNSA Primary & Nanaksar Primary Gurpurab Celebrations: Thursday 18th November 2021**

Dear Parents/Carers,

This year we are delighted to inform you of our plans to celebrate Gurpurab, across both GNSA Primary and Nanaksar Primary. Celebrations will take place all day on **THURSDAY 18th NOVEMBER 2021**. On this day we will be celebrating the birth of the First Sikh Guru Ji, Guru Nanak Dev Ji. Our theme for the day will be celebrating the life of Guru Nanak Dev Ji, through both stories and art.

### **Non-Uniform Day**

This day will be a non-uniform day and your child is invited to dress in a traditional Indian attire or wear a colourful chunni/scarf or patka.

### **Pupil Activities During the Day**

A special assembly will be held on the day with kirtan by Bhai Jeeven Singh Amritsar Waleh. The pupils will participate in a range of activities related to Guru Nanak Dev Ji, including creative literacy work based upon the life of Guru Nanak Dev Ji and a fun-filled afternoon of Arts & Crafts making an Ek Onkar, meaning 'God is One.' The symbol is an emblem of the Sikh religion. It signifies the idea that all humanity is one and that everyone is equal, to make sure that all individuals are treated equally and fairly regardless of their age, gender, religion and disability.

### **Special Lunchtime Langar**

All pupils will be provided with a special Langar at lunchtime to celebrate Gurpurab. On this day your child will not need lunch from home and the menu will be sent on parent comms. If your child would still prefer a packed lunch from home they are welcome to bring one in.

### **Gurpurab Challenge**

Pupils are invited to participate in a Gurpurab challenge throughout the week on Guru Nanak's basic philosophy (Three Golden Rules) and share what they did with their class on Gurpurab Day. Please see the list below for ideas that they can do at home or can they think of their own.

<b>1. VAND KE SHAKNA</b> Remember God's Name in every single endeavour you undertake	<b>2.NAAM JAPNA</b> To selflessly serve and share with others especially with those less fortunate than yourself	<b>3. KIRT KARNI</b> Earn your livelihood through hard work and by honest means
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Repeat 5 times - Guru Nanak Dev Ji loves me and I love Them.</li> <li>● Vand Ke Shakna: Share one chocolate with someone else today</li> <li>● Vand Ke Shakna: Give your siblings and family a big hug</li> <li>● Vand Ke Shakna: Ask your mum or dad if they would like a glass of water</li> <li>● Vand Ke Shakna: Make a thank you card for someone special</li> <li>● Vand Ke Shakna: Donate food/old toys to a food bank/charity shop</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Naam Japna: Say Waheguru 50 times.</li> <li>● Naam Japna: Sing Mool Mantar 5 times</li> <li>● Naam Japna: Say 'Dhan Guru Nanak Dev Ji' 5 times</li> <li>● Naam Japna: Think of and list 5 things that you have. Thank Guru Nanak Dev Ji for these 5 things</li> <li>● Naam Japna: Carry this paper in your pocket all day and look at it throughout the day. Guru Nanak Dev Ji loves you very much.</li> <li>● Naam Japna: Sit down, close your eyes and say Waheguru out loud for 2 minutes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Kirt Karni: Draw a picture of Guru Nanak Dev Ji</li> <li>● Kirt Karni: Do your homework as nicely as you can today</li> <li>● Kirt Karni: Clean up your toys nicely before going to bed</li> <li>● Kirt Karni: Help your parents to make dinner.</li> </ul>

### **Shaheedi Smagam Special Evening Event from 5:00pm to 7.00pm**

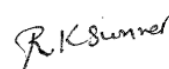
We warmly invite you and your families to this auspicious event on the 10th December 2021, to commemorate the Four Sahibzaadeh of Guru Gobind Singh Ji with an Evening Kirtan Diwan programme with Bhai Veer Manpreet Singh. Langar will be served throughout the evening event. We look forward to sharing this blissful evening with you and further information will be provided nearer the time.

**A polite reminder that school will be closed on Friday 19th November 2021.**

Yours sincerely,



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