# Maitreya School Newsletter – May 2017

## **NEW ACADEMIC YEAR**

**W**e started a new school term in April, and for the first time ever we had a Class 6 introduced to Maitreya School.

We also added a Class 2 B. In addition, we were privileged enough to recruit new staff too. We now have a total of 217 students, 10 teachers and 7 general staff, compared to the 52 students we started off with in 2012.



Maitreya School on April 2017 at the beginning of the new academic year

## NEW PRINCIPAL

Another highlight was the appointment of the new principal, Pema Tsering. Pema, a CUTS graduate, has been teaching at Maitreya School for the past four years.



Principal Pema with Lama Zopa Rinpoche

His excellent display of loyalty, kindness, love, compassion and honesty (to name a few) made him the perfect person to lead the school to new heights.

He is passionate about making a difference in the school and the community, and has already implemented a lot of positive changes.

We wish Pema the best of luck with his new role, and we are privileged to have him as the principal.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

We had wonderful volunteers sharing their time, skills and love with us.

We have volunteers from across the world, and we would like to thank each of them for the contribution they make. Should you be interested in volunteering, please visit our VOLUNTEER PAGE.



Top left, Sue. Top right, Apeksha. Bottom left, Ben. Bottom right, Anabela.

We had Ben and his guitar from U.S.A. Ben entertained us with music during the morning assemblies. Sue, a retired teacher also from U.S.A., sharing her teaching skills and experience with our school. She also helped us with fundraising. We had Apeksha from Mumbai, who started the Amazon Wishlist, which has been extremely successful and we look forward to seeing her again later this year. Lastly, we had Anabela joining us from Ecuador. We had a lot of fun with her yoga classes and art classes!

#### DONATIONS

**W**ith the school constantly growing in staff and students, we are always open to any form of donations or sponsors which would help our school to be as efficient as possible. For anyone interested in donating, please visit our <u>DONATION PAGE</u>. Alternatively, we have an <u>AMAZON WISHLIST</u> where we have posted items needed by the school.

## **THANK YOU**

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been supporting us over the years. We would not have been able to come this far without the generous support we have received. Please follow our <a href="#FACEBOOK PAGE">FACEBOOK PAGE</a> to stay in touch and up to date with what's happening in our school. Until the next newsletter! ©