



DASMESH KHALSA
SCHOOL
BRAMPTON, ONTARIO

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By answering the most existential questions and personalizing the Gurmat experience, we believe we can arm our students with unshakable faith in Vaheguru Ji and Sikhi.

- Bhai Kulbir Singh Ji



A Letter from Us

With the Grace of Guru Sahib, we are honored to bring this school to the Sangat. For the last few years, we have been quietly running daytime classes for a small group of interested families who requested us to teach their children in order to keep them safe from the negative influences of modern schools. This was done all under the guidance of our founder, Bhai Kulbir Singh Ji.

In the winter of 2021, the unthinkable happened: Bhai Sahib left this world suddenly, leaving behind a myriad of unfinished Seva projects which he had started. Bhai Sahib had many plans and dreams for the Sikh community. One of them was this school. He was eager to eventually open up our school to the community and make all of its teachings available to as many children as possible.

As the leading Sevadaar of the Gurmat Bibek Jatha, his early departure from this world left us, at first, lost and broken. In honour of his dream, however, we have been determined to finish what he started. We welcome all of you to join us on our journey.

- Dasmesh Khalsa School Sevadaars



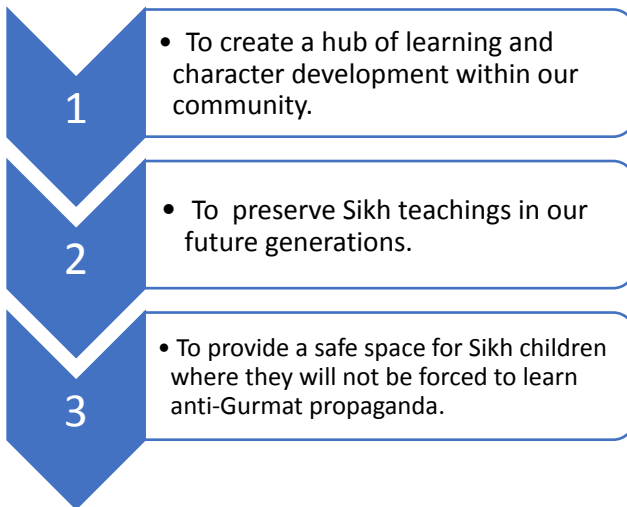
About Bhai Kulbir Singh:

Bhai Sahib was an incredible scholar, preacher, and most of all, Gursikh. His devotion to the Sikh discipline, coupled with his vast knowledge and his love for people, led him to influence many individuals and families from around the world over the past 25 years. He helped found Gurdwara Tapoban Sahib, and then later the Gurmat Bibek Parchaar Society. The Gurmat Bibek channel on YouTube was spearheaded by him, and he was the writer behind hundreds of videos on Gurmat.

About Our School

Dasmesh Khalsa School was founded by the Sevadaars at Gurmat Bibek Parchaar Society, which has been operating in Canada and abroad over the course of the last decade. Recognizing a community need for a strong academic institution that would not compromise our Sikh traditions and values, we began work creating such an academy. Under the spiritual guidance of late Bhai Kulbir Singh ji, we began small-scale operation in 2018 at the Gurmat Bibek Vidyala in Brampton.

Why Open a School?



Revolutionizing Sikh Education

- Since the inception of the school, we have been continually working on a Sikhi-centered curriculum
- We teach that Guru Sahib should be the center of all aspects of our life, and we exemplify this by emphasizing the connection that all learning can have to Sikhi

In addition to our regular course load, we have taken care to incorporate character-building strategies into our classroom. We wish for our students to become **well-rounded, kind, caring, disciplined, patient, strong-minded, fearless, and hard-working individuals**, and to carry these virtues with them for the rest of their lives.

Our Courses

We provide instruction in all of the core academic subjects, with the addition of a wide range of Gurmat Studies courses.

Our teachers receive specialized training in their specific subject areas. Many of our courses are specially designed by us, or are highly structured programs which require special training to teach.



Course List:

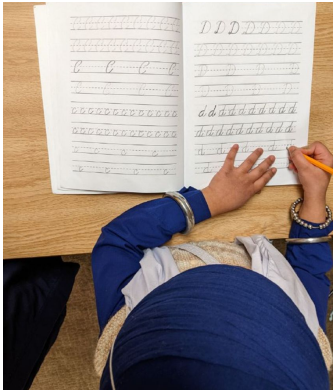
- English
- Math
- Social Studies
- Science
- French
- Physical Education/
Gatka
- Punjabi
- Paath/Pothi Class
- Gurbani Vichaar
- Kirtan
- Gurbani Vocabulary
- Gurbani Memorization
- Gurmat

Since beginning operation of our school, we have been actively working on creating a strong academic curriculum which will put our students ahead of the public school system.

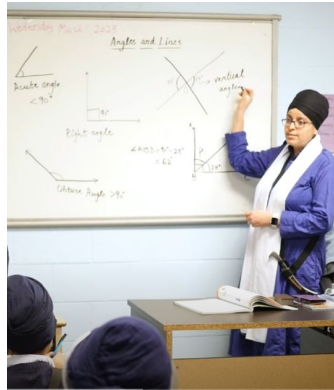
All students who have been with us since we started are a grade level ahead of their peers from other schools. This has been possible due to our small classroom sizes, as well as our planned and well-regimented curriculum. Public schools often fail to deliver in this regard. However, we have done the research and the work, which public school teachers are often unable to do, in order to achieve high academic standards amongst our students.

Academics

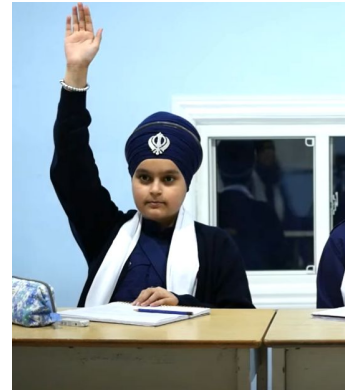
In addition to the Gurmat Studies, we teach all of the core courses required by the Ontario curriculum.



Language Arts



Mathematics



Science



Arts & Crafts



Physical Education



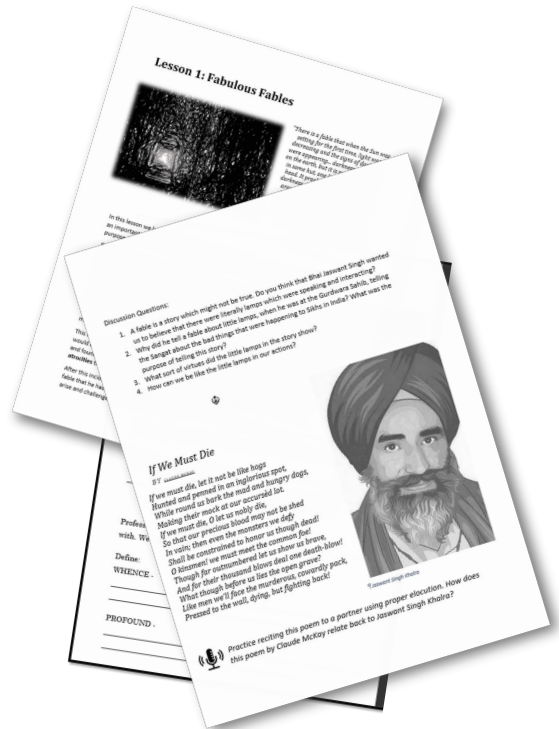
Social Studies

French

English/Language Arts

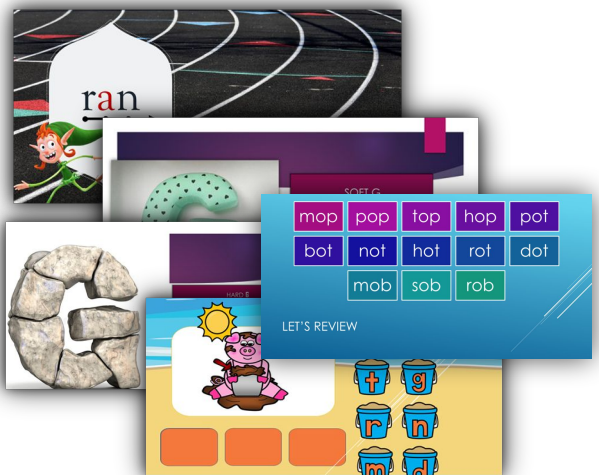
We emphasize early mastery of reading and writing. In our program we teach every phonogram in the English language, so that the process of learning how to read and write is thorough as well as logical to the young mind. We supplement our phonics program with our own workbooks, which we designed to reinforce the learning in our in-house multimedia lessons.

For older grades, we follow a unique, classical English program. The program is based on an ancient Greek teaching approach called the Progymnasmata. Students build a strong vocabulary, superior writing skills, as well as skills in rhetoric and persuasion. For every lesson, we have prepared supplementary articles and discussion questions which relate the concepts back to Sikhi.



Our in-house resources include workbooks specially designed by us to supplement our Language Arts program. We have created these workbooks to help emphasize concepts being taught in class while creating connections to Sikh theology and history.

Unsatisfied with other curriculums, we created our own research-based phonics program which combines the best of several proven approaches to teaching reading. This multimedia program helps our students to visually conceptualize how sound-blending works.





Math

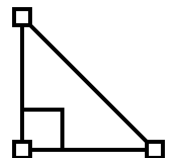
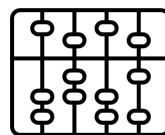
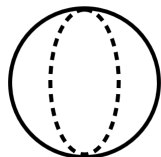
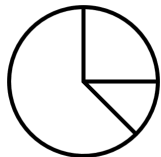
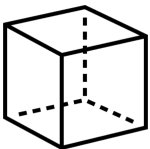
We follow a specially designed, internationally acclaimed math program, which has been proven to be one of the strongest approaches to teaching mathematics in the world. Our teachers have specialized training to teach this curriculum. We have tried and tested this program, and have seen that it puts our students ahead of the public school system.

In this approach, students learn and master fewer mathematical concepts in greater detail. They learn these concepts using a three-step learning process: concrete, pictorial, and abstract. In the concrete step, students engage in hands-on learning experiences using physical objects which can be everyday items such as paper clips, toy blocks or math manipulatives such as counting bears, link cubes and fraction discs. This is followed by drawing pictorial representations of mathematical concepts. Students then solve mathematical problems in an abstract way by using numbers and symbols.



Parents are often surprised by how much today's generation struggles in mathematics. This isn't the result of lower IQ's or poor teachers; the culprit is poor curriculum. Ontario is notorious for enforcing weak and unsuccessful approaches to math in schools.

Our students receive the best available math instruction, taught by specially trained, OCT certified teachers.



Social Studies

Statistically speaking, Canadians are “geographically-challenged”: they struggle to even identify important geographical locations on a map. Similarly, most Canadians have a serious lack of understanding of world history. That is because these extremely important topics are barely covered in public schools. In our program, students learn about world history, geography, and civics, building a strong understanding of the overlap of historical events throughout time and their effects on the mapping of geographical borders. Students will also develop a unique awareness of Sikh history and the coinciding of important events in Punjab and India with socio-political occurrences in the world.



Science & Technology

In our science program, students are exposed to interactive materials and media which will engage them and help them to learn and understand concepts. We keep high academic standards to ensure students keep ahead of the public school system.

In addition to the core subjects, we teach exciting and unique units which have special applications for Sikh children, such as equestrian science!

French

As a Canadian school we offer French for our senior students, taught by trained and certified teachers!





Gurmat Studies

We have a very wide variety of Gurmat-related courses included in our curriculum. Presently this consists of 7 different Gurmat Studies courses, 2 of which are daily classes, the others being spread at various intervals throughout the week. We have created our own in-house course materials specifically for school use. See our courses:

Punjabi

Paath/Pothi Class

Gurbani Vichaar

Kirtan

Gurbani Vocabulary

Gurbani Memorization

Gurmat

Punjabi



In Punjabi class, we start from the Gurmukhi alphabets and cover every stage up until children are able to read independently. Students are taught to read using the traditional approach that had been taught by Gurmukh-Pyarey, **Professor Uday Singh ji**, who taught Punjabi in Brampton for many years. This is supplemented by interactive lessons which we have designed to increase student engagement.

Children then progress from reading simple and easy "**Dharam Pothis**" to more difficult works of literature, such as **Gur Prataap Suraj Granth**, works by **Bhai Vir Singh ji**, and more.

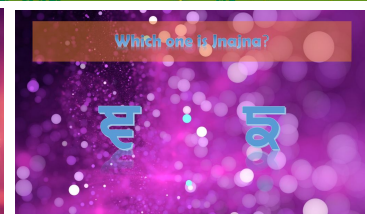
Part of the Punjabi curriculum also focuses on writing and penmanship. Older and advanced students will learn how to respectfully copy Gurbani Shabads on electronic slates, eventually moving on to writing their own Gutka Sahibs.



Professor Uday Singh ji was a companion of the honored Bhai Sahib Bhai Randhir Singh ji. He spent many years devoted to the selfless Seva of teaching hundreds of children Punjabi and Gurbani Paath. Before his passing, he gave his blessings to our organization to carry on his mission.



A glimpse of some of the many interactive presentations designed specially by us for our students.



Pothi/Paath Class



This is a daily class that gives students the chance to connect with Guru Sahib and Gurbani every day. Beginner students start out by learning to read Nitnem, then move on to Sri Sukhmani Sahib and the rest of the "Panj Granthi" Banis. Once they have completed these two stages, students will then progress to reading from Pothi Sahibs of Guru Granth Sahib ji.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:



Deva Singh (left), age 5, is in Kindergarten and has achieved fluency in Nitnem, Sri Asa Ki Vaar, Chandi Di Vaar, and several other Banis.

Harnaaz Kaur (right), age 8, completed Santhiya of Nitnem and Panj Granthi by Grade 2. She does excellent, clear Paath at a fluid pace, and is well on her way to becoming an Akhand Paathi.

Gurbani Vichaar

It is important not only to read Gurbani, but also to attempt to understand its message. That is why we have included this once-a-week class in our curriculum for the older students. In this class, students will learn the meanings of Gurbani at an in-depth level, and will also learn the application of these teachings to our daily lives. Students will start off establishing a basic foundation in Gurbani Viyakaran (grammar) and Gurbani Pingal (rules of Sikh poetry), and then move on to the interpretation of Gurbani under structural context. The teachings of Gurbani arth (definitions) which we use are based on the laborious work done for many years by our founder, Bhai Kulbir Singh ji, in interpreting and explaining much of Gurbani.



Kirtan

In Kirtan class students will start off learning basic Sargam and simple Shabads, then moving onto an introduction to Raags such as Kalyan, Bilaval, Bhairon, etc. Our teachers have been trained by one of the top experts in Sikh Sangeet in the world. In the future, we hope to add training in classical Sikh stringed instruments (Taanti Saaj).

Gurmat

Our Gurmat program will enable the graduates to remain steadfast in Sikhi regardless of any situation that arises in their future life. In the Gurmat Philosophy module, we give our students extensive knowledge of theological topics like reincarnation, Naam, the concept of Vaheguru and Guru etc. In the Sikh History module, we will be providing our students with a detailed history of our Gurus and their times and the post Guru period that saw the rise and fall of the Sikh empires.



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:

- Saarung Singh, by the end of Gr. 2, memorized the following:
 - Kuchaji
 - Suchaji
 - Most of 7-Bani Nitnem
 - Asa Ki Var
 - Akal Ustat: Twav Prasad Lagu Niraj Chhand, Aage Likhari ki Daskhat, Twav Prasad Chaupai, Tvai Prasad Kabit
 - Salok M: 9
 - Aarti
 - Rakhiya Shabads
 - Ramkali ki Vaar
 - Twav Prasad Sveye Deenan Ki
 - Numerous Shabads

Gurbani Memorization

In this daily class, students will fulfil Guru Gobind Singh ji's Hukam to memorize Gurbani, by learning and applying techniques of memorizing Shabads and Banis. We use a highly structured approach, and we also incorporate fun tunes which make learning and memorizing effortless and fun.

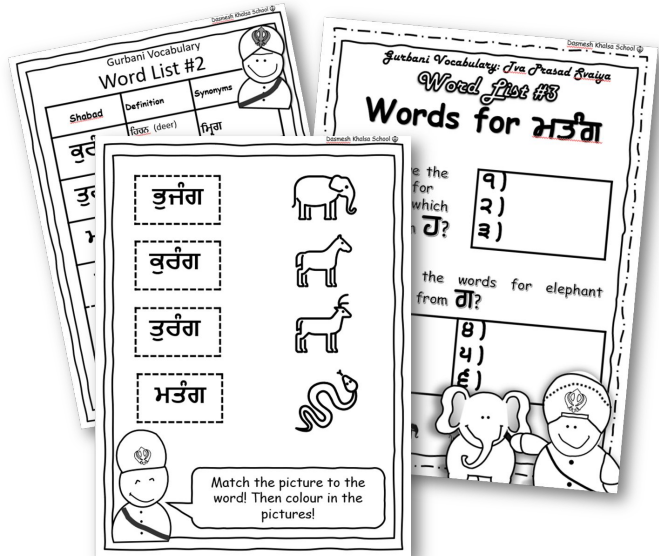
We are currently working on a web application that can be used in the classroom for memorizing Gurbani.

Modelled on a mobile app by Khalis Foundation, we've included elements from our own Gurmat Bibek Gurbani Pothi mobile app, and our own Shudh Gurbani audio files, sung to tunes for helping children memorize each Bani, Pauri by Pauri.



Gurbani Vocabulary

We believe that the basis of learning any language is first learning vocabulary. In order for students to understand Gurbani, they first need to develop their vocabulary. In this class students will learn approximately 200 words per year in a fun, creative way using our specially designed activity sheets and stories. Every child will walk away with an increased vocabulary, which will help deepen their understanding of the Guru's Word.



In this unique course, students play games and compete against each other for weekly prizes. Students use mind maps, charts, sentence-building, and our story books to help reinforce learning. Students will also learn simple etymology. We have created our own in-house resources including worksheets, activities, and storybooks to help our students learn Gurbani vocabulary in an engaging and creative way.



A Small School with a Big Difference!

- As a small school, we are fortunate to be able to give more individual attention to our students. We are able to enjoy the versatility that comes with running an institution in a family-like environment.

- To procure a spot for your child in this exclusive space, register your child today. Remember that spots are LIMITED!




Dasmesh Khalsa School is an offshoot of **Gurmat Bibek Parchaar Society**. The GB Parchar Society has been teaching classes, speaking at seminars, and creating public Sikhi content for several years now. Our YouTube channel, which contains hundreds of videos on Gurmat-related topics, currently has over 200,000 subscribers, and has touched and changed many lives over the years – all with Guru Sahib’s grace.

If you would like to donate to our mission of spreading the teachings of Sikhi, please visit the Gurmat Bibek website: www.GurmatBibek.com. To sign up your child for our private school, please visit: www.DasmeshKhalsaSchool.com.



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