## Service News from Tver «200<sup>th</sup> Jubilee of Aleksander Ostrovsky». Brahma Kumaris, Tver, Russia

It's already become a tradition organise "LIRA" the musical and poetic programme at schools. Teachers and pupils of eagerly gathered to attend a rare programme dedicated to mark the 200 th Jubilee of Aleksander Ostrovsky. A well-known Russian writer, playwright and the ancestor of the Russian National Theater, Axander Ostrovsky also remembered as Russian Shakespeare.







He wrote 47 plays, where all the characters were taken from life. Their phrases, behavior and situations were easily recognized by the people in the 19th century, as well as by modern readers.



The video fragments and films based on Ostrovsky's plays helped to discuss with the young people the important topics of truth and honesty of the soul in front of oneself and in front of God.







BK Elena Titova read her poems and sang her songs that created an atmosphere of peace, and inspired the young people to think about the meaning of life, its purposes and faith in oneself.



## Quotes from A. Ostrovsky plays:

«Courage is cultivated day after day in stubborn resistance to difficulties».

«If you are honest, do not associate with dishonest, do not touch soot — you will get dirty yourself».

«I want to preserve my precious right to look everyone straight in the eye, without shame, without secret remorse...».

BK Olga Smirnova, beautifully conducted the programme in a poetic way and the participants including the school children took with them many useful and bright insights from the programme.

BK Irina Illina, in-charge, Brahma Kumaris, Tver city, received a thanks letter from S.G. Vasilieva, School Director, Tver.

